Biblical Archaeology in Israel: Intensive Holiday Course (48532)

January 5-23, 2020
45 Academic Hours, 3 Academic Credits

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Daily Schedule:
Daily Lecture (up to 4 lectures):

Mornings:  08:30-10:00  13:00-14:30
Afternoons: 10:30-12:00  14:45-16:15

Course Requirements and Grade Breakdown
Participation  10%
Journal  30%
Group Presentation  10%
Research Essay  50%

Course Outline and Schedule

Part I: Welcome and First Thoughts

Sunday, January 5th
Registration, campus tour, and orientation
Monday, January 6th

Lecture 1: Archaeology Introduction (IK)
Reading:

Lecture 2: Bible and Historical Narrative (WH)
Reading:

Lecture 3: “The Historical Geography of Canaan” (TBA)
Reading:

Tuesday, January 7th

Jerusalem: The Archaeologist as Tourist – A field trip to the Old City of Jerusalem and City of David

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Part II: The Early and Middle Bronze Age

Wednesday, January 8th

Lecture 4: History and Culture of the Ancient Near East: The Third Millennium (WH)
Reading:

Lecture 5: Middle Bronze Age Archaeology (IK)
Reading:

Lecture 6: History and Culture of the Ancient Near East: 2000-1500 BCE (WH)
Reading:

Evening: Preparation for Research Presentations
Thursday, January 9th

Lecture 7: Cuneiform in Canaan: Hazor (WH)
Reading:
W. Horowitz and T. Oshima, *Cuneiform in Canaan*, Jerusalem: Israel Exploration Society, 2006, p. 3-25. **Main Library DS 111 A2 H68 2006; G-Drive**

Lecture 8: The Patriarchal Narratives, An Overview (TBA)
Reading:
M. Maidman, *Historiographic Reflections on Israel’s Origins*, *Eretz Israel* 27 (2003), pp. 120*-128. **E-journal**

Lecture 9: Studies in the Patriarchal Narratives 1 (WH)
Reading:

Friday, January 10th

Field Trip: A Day in the Israel Museum
Evening: 6:00 PM: Traditional Friday Night Dinner Hosted by the Australian Friends of the Hebrew University

Saturday, January 11th

Shabbat Shalom

Part III: The Late Bronze Age

Sunday, January 12th

Field Trip: Tel Gezer and Megiddo

Monday, January 13th

Lecture 10: History and Culture of the Ancient Near East 1500-1000 (WH)
Readings:

Lambert, *Babylonian Creation Myths*, Winona Lake: Eisenbrauns, Overseas Library **221.849.2 L222; E-book**

Lecture 11: The Late Bronze Age: Archaeology I (IK)
Reading:

Lecture 12: The Late Bronze Age: Archaeology II (IK)
Reading:

Pedagogy Meeting for Teachers Group

Tuesday January 14th

Lecture 13: Cuneiform in Canaan: Amarna, Gilgamesh and Jerusalem (WH)
Readings:

Lecture 14: The Emergence of Ancient Israel (TBA)
Reading:

Lecture 15: History and Culture of the Ancient Near East 1000-539: An Overview (PZ)
Reading:

Group Meetings (at the Archaeology Library Reading Room)

Part IV: The Iron Age

Wednesday, January 15th (WH)

Lecture 16: David and Solomon: Archaeology (IK)
Readings:

Lecture 17: The Iron Age: An Overview (IK)
Reading:
A. Mazar, Archaeology of the Land of the Bible, p. 300-354. Overseas Library E13 M475; G-Drive (p. 300-328)

Lecture 18: The United Monarchy and Biblical Literature (TBA)
Readings:


Lecture 19: The Almost Fall of Jerusalem: 701 BCE (WH)
Readings:
Genesis 11, II Kings 18-20; Cogan and H. Tadmor, IIKings, Garden City: Doubleday, 1988, p. 215-252. Overseas Library 221.7=2 A538; G-Drive


Thursday, January 16th
Lecture 20: The Archaeological Evidence for Sennachherib’s Campaign (IK)
Reading:
A. Mazar, Archaeology of the Land of the Bible, p. 300-54. Overseas Library E13 M475; G-Drive (p. 300-328)

10:30: Field Trip to the Shepheila: Lachish and Khirbet Qeiyafa

Friday, January 17th
Free weekend to study and travel

Saturday, January 18th
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Sunday, January 19th
Lecture 21: Babylon and Judah: The Historical Background (WH)
Reading:

**Lecture 22:** The Conquest of Jerusalem: The Archaeological Evidence (IK)

**Reading:** A. Mazar, Archaeology of the Land of the Bible, p. 548-49. Overseas Library E13 M475; G-Drive

**Australian Friends Jerusalem Program:** Visit to the Holocaust Memorial – Yad Vashem (pending final confirmation by the Australian Friends)

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**Monday, January 20th**

**Lecture 24:** By the Rivers of Babylon: The First Diaspora (PZ)

**Reading:**

**Lecture 25:** Closing Thoughts: Panel Session

**Afternoon and Evening:** Preparation for Student Presentations

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**Tuesday, January 21st**

**16:00** Student Presentations followed by Final Program (Pizza Night at the Student Village)

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**Wednesday January 22nd**

Shalom