

## THE RESEARCH UNIT OF ISLAMIC ARCHAEOLOGY AT UNIVERSITY OF BONN

KINDLY INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE AT THE NEXT

### ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL ON TALL HISBAN,

JORDAN, IN EARLY SUMMER 2018 AND TO

CELEBRATE THE PROJECT'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!

**Dates:** June 21<sup>st</sup> to July 16<sup>th</sup> 2018

**Costs:** 2500 USD *including* all in-country expenses, full boarding, hotel, weekend excursions  
*excluding* airfares, passport & visa fees, vaccination, personal expenses

#### COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

Participate in a archaeological research project with an international and interdisciplinary team!

- Learn to excavate in a medieval castle and Roman ruins
- Explore and map caves
- Learn aerial photography and other survey methods
- Learn or brush up Arabic language skills
- Expand your knowledge through weekend excursions to sites in Jordan including the Petra Archaeological Park and Wadi Musa, the Castles of Shoubak and Al Kerak, the historic towns of Jerash, Ajlun, Gadera, Pella, Salt and Amman and enjoy an afternoon swim in the Dead Sea

#### SCHEDULE & ITINERARY

The schedule consists of a 5-day work week, dedicated to field work during the mornings, afternoon labs for pottery washing and reading and artifact processing, and three evening lectures per week. The tours are held during the weekends (Friday to Saturday).

#### REQUIREMENTS

All majors are welcome!

There are no prerequisites for the Field School, although previous coursework in World History, Middle Eastern History, Middle Eastern Studies, Archaeology, Anthropology, or Arabic Language is highly recommended.

Students should be of good health.

No previous field experience is necessary since students will receive their training in the field in Jordan.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Course Fee of 2500 USD has to be paid by the participant.

It includes all in-country expenses, hotel, full boarding, weekend excursions, entrance fees to archaeological sites and museums.

It excludes airfares, passport and visa fees, vaccinations, and other personal costs.

Students may apply for German Scholarships or for those from ASOR and ACOR; see websites: [www.asor.org](http://www.asor.org) and <http://acorjordan.org>



## THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL

ON TALL HISBAN IN JUNE TO JULY 2018

### FIELD SCHOOL OBJECTIVES

The Field School is based on excavations at Tall Hisban, a multi-component Tell Site in Central Jordan with a medieval castle, situated in the Madaba Plains.

Launched 50 years ago, this is the longest running foreign-led archaeological project in the Middle East as well as one of the oldest and most prestigious Field Schools in the region.

This course is a formal archaeological Field School - with field, lab, and classroom components in Jordan. It provides hands-on training in archaeological excavation and post-season object analysis techniques.

The students will participate in several projects related to site presentation, architectural preservation, and community outreach which are running concurrently with the excavation. Students will live at the Salome Hotel in Madaba, an old Christian town south of Amman.

In 2018, the 50th anniversary of the Tall Hisban project is celebrated and numerous public celebrations are planned.

Even though there are no formal prerequisites to participate in the Field School, students are strongly encouraged to have taken some Middle Eastern courses or Archaeology. Some training in Arabic language is recommended but not required.

It can be understood that all students have an interest and respect for Middle Eastern cultures and are committed to active research.

The weekend excursions add to the program by visiting some of the most important archaeological and cultural sites as well as most beautiful natural wonders of Jordan.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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[www.mamluk.uni-bonn.de/islamic-archaeology](http://www.mamluk.uni-bonn.de/islamic-archaeology)

[www.madabaplains.org/hisban/overview-field-school.htm](http://www.madabaplains.org/hisban/overview-field-school.htm)

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018