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2015 SUMMER STUDY ABROAD



"You haven't studied these Bible dramas until you've studied them in the desert." -Dr. Shimon Levy of Tel Aviv University

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2015 Summer Study Abroad

Israel/Palestine

GEN 350 Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories (oPt): Ancient and Modern Theatre

- Summer 2014 (Tentative May 11-May 25)
- 4 credits
 - ⇒ 1 credit pre-departure
 - ⇒ 2 credits in Israel
 - ⇒ 1 credit post-trip online seminar
- Prerequisites: pre-departure course, acceptance into the program
- ♦ Fulfills cross-cultural gen-ed requirement
- ♦ All majors welcome!

This course studies modern Israeli culture through the lens of the dramas found in the book that Jewish people revere most highly to this day: the Hebrew Bible. In Israel, participants will meet and listen to the locals, and soak in their language, their land, and their theatre (ancient and modern). In so doing, students will re-discover themselves from a new vantage point.

Course Requirements

- Complete pre-departure course and post-trip online seminar
- ♦ Ethnographic journals
- ♦ Group discussions
- ♦ Cultural engagement
- ♦ Final reflective paper

Faculty: Jeff Barker is a professor in the theatre department. His expertise is directing and playwriting, with a particular emphasis on biblical performance criticism. He co-led the course to Israel in 2012. Karen Barker is also a professor in the theatre department. Her expertise is literature and acting. She and Jeff have led student trips across the USA and to Japan and England.

Passport and Visa: For U.S. citizens, a passport is required for entry into Israel; a visa is not required for tourist stays of less than 90 days. Information on how to obtain a passport is available from the Global Education Center or the State Department web site at http://travel.state.gov/.

Location

The program will take place in Tel Aviv, Nazareth, Tiberias, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and more!

Housing and Meals

Students will be housed in host homes, convents, youth hostels and hotels. Breakfast and evening meals will be provided.

Excursions include—

- Tel Aviv (Habima National Theatre)
- Mount Carmel, Mount Precipice, Nazareth
- The Sea of Galilee
- The Dead Sea
- Jerusalem (Western Wall, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Via Dolorosa, etc.)
- Bethlehem (Shepherd's Field, Church of the Nativity)

Program Cost

Approximately \$4900-5100. This price includes four credits (discounted at 1/2 off tuition), administrative fees, and all direct costs (airfare, food, lodging, entrance fees).

Payment Deadline

After determination of the final program fee, on or around April 1, the GEC will send out billings. Deadline for payment is May 1. Participants will be provided with the *Payment, Cancellation*, and *Refund Policies* upon acceptance in the program.

*** This country has a current travel warning issued by the U.S. Department of State. Students will be asked to sign a travel waiver upon acceptance to the program.

*** Information shared in this brochure is subject to change.

Application

Applications are due February 1, 2015.

Application forms are available on MyNWC at

www.nwciowa.edu/summer-abroad



"What a blessing it has been to share in this amazing journey."-Jeffrey Hubers, SSA Israel participant 2012

"The Israeli people have impacted me for a lifetime!"-Sarah Wittenberg, SSA Israel participant 2012