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UNC in ISRAEL: HUQOQ EXCAVATION PROJECT

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2017 Dates: May 29 to June 30

Resident Director: Dr. Jodi Magness

Housing: Kibbutz Huqoq

GPA requirement: 2.5

Min. Class Standing: Rising Sophomore

Cost: See website

Application deadline: February 9, 2017

Overview

This field school program, directed by Professor Jodi Magness of UNC-CH, provides students with the opportunity to participate in an archaeological excavation while learning about ancient and modern Israel.

Huqoq (modern Arabic name: Yaquq) is a small ancient village located 1.5 miles to the northwest of the Sea of Galilee in Israel. It is mentioned in 1 Chronicles 6:75 as part of the inheritance of the tribe of Asher: "Huqoq, with its pasture lands..." Later rabbinic sources (third to fourth centuries A.D.) refer to the gathering and processing of the mustard plant at Huqoq, reflecting the village's agrarian base. Huqoq flourished especially in the Late Roman and Byzantine periods (fifth and sixth centuries).

Academics

This four-week summer field school program will provide participating students with 6 hours of UNC academic credit for the following course: CLAR 650: Field School in Classical Archaeology. The ruins of Huqoq are spread over an area of approximately 25 dunams (= 6 acres). The village lies in the center of the region that was the focus of Jesus' ministry. Capernaum, the home of the adult Jesus, is 3.2 miles to the east, and the town of Migdal, the birthplace of Mary Magdalene, is 2.8 miles to the south. An ancient synagogue building, the remains of which are still visible in the midst of the ruins of Huqoq, will be the focus of the Huqoq Excavation Project.



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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR HUQOQ EXCAVATION PROJECT:

The Kenan Scholarship:

The **Kenan Charitable Trust** has approved a grant to support UNC-CH students working with Kenan Distinguished Professor, Dr. Jodi Magness, on the Huqoq Excavation Project.

- To apply, click on "Application for Study Abroad Award" on the checklist on your application page and complete the online form.

Other possible funding opportunities for this program:

1. The Carolina Center for Jewish Studies (CCJS) <http://jewishstudies.unc.edu/grants/student-grants/>
 - NOTE: To be considered for a CCJS grant for this program, apply through the UNC Study Abroad Office. Click on "Application for Study Abroad Award" on the checklist on your application page and complete the online form. The same online form allows you to apply for both the Kenan and the CCJS scholarships, but scholarship recipients will only receive one award or the other.
2. The UNC Office for Undergraduate Research <http://our.unc.edu/students/funding-opportunities/>
3. The Biblical Archaeology Society offers summer fellowships for digs <http://www.bib-arch.org>
4. The American Schools of Oriental Research also offers summer fellowships for digs <http://www.asor.org>
5. The Archaeological Institute of America offers summer fellowships called the Waldbaum Scholarships for undergraduates <http://www.archaeological.org>

For more information on the Huqoq Excavation Project, see: <http://huqogexcavationproject.org/>

Apply to the program at <http://studyabroad.unc.edu/>

