

Studies in Israel

IWU's Summer in Israel program is a six week academic study in Israel, Palestine and Jordan. This program focuses on three areas of study: 1) the geographical and historical settings of the Bible, 2) the discipline of archaeology and its contributions to biblical studies, and 3) the modern-day culture of Israel and Palestine. Students will travel the lands of the Bible, experience first-hand the places and culture of the biblical narrative, participate in an official archeological dig for two weeks, and engage with the Palestinian Christian Church through worship and ministry. A total of 10 undergraduate or 9 graduate credits may be earned through this program. The program runs every other year (even years). In order to be considered for admission to this program, students must have completed at least 30 hours of undergraduate coursework including 4 hours of prerequisites (see below), pass a routine physical, and complete the application process. For more information, contact the School of Theology and Ministry.

Summer in Israel Prerequisite Courses for Undergraduate Students:

BIL 280 Lands of the Bible (3)

BIL 281 Jerusalem and Its People (1)

Summer in Israel Courses for Undergraduate Students:

INT 124 Cross-Cultural Exposure Trip: Israel and Palestine (2)*

BIL 282 Art, Architecture, and Artifacts of the Biblical World: Israel and Jordan (1)

BIL 480 Archaeology of Syria-Palestine (3)

Geographical and Historical Settings of the Bible (4)

This intensive three-week class examines the geography and topography of the land of Israel through first-hand travel. Specific biblical cities will be visited and their archaeological findings will be discussed. The implications upon history and the biblical narrative will be of central concern. This course is offered in conjunction with IWU's affiliate relationship with Jerusalem University College. Map work prior to arrival is required. Travel expenses and all applicable fees required.

*Fulfills IWU's Intercultural Experience General Education Requirement.

Summer in Israel Courses for Graduate Students:

INT 124 Cross-Cultural Exposure Trip: Israel and Palestine (Audit)

MIN 510 Biblical Archaeology (5)

Geographical and Historical Settings of the Bible (4) [See description above]