

Tel Burna

The site of Tel Burna is located in the Shephelah region, in a fertile area that became known as the breadbasket of the south. The tel itself is notable for its flat-topped shape, extensive size and fortifications that are still visible. Due to these and other factors, some scholars suggest that Tel Burna is the best candidate for biblical Libnah, a town that played a role in the Late Bronze Age and as a border town between the kingdoms of Judah and Philistia in the Iron Age.

You're Invited to Join the Team!

You are invited to join the team for our tenth season and help us uncover the past of this ancient site. Come reveal the Canaanite town of the Late Bronze Age, as well as the various levels of the Iron Age II while we try to reconstruct the part Burna played through its location on the Judean-Philistine border. To date, the team has brought to light evidence of settlement at Burna from the 13th century BCE, as well as the 10th through the 7th centuries BCE. The 8th century BCE town at Burna so far has provided the most evidence, including fortifications, a four-room house and a large structure with a flagstone surface.

Do not miss your opportunity to participate in current research addressing critical issues in archaeology and biblical history through participation in the Tel Burna Excavation Project.

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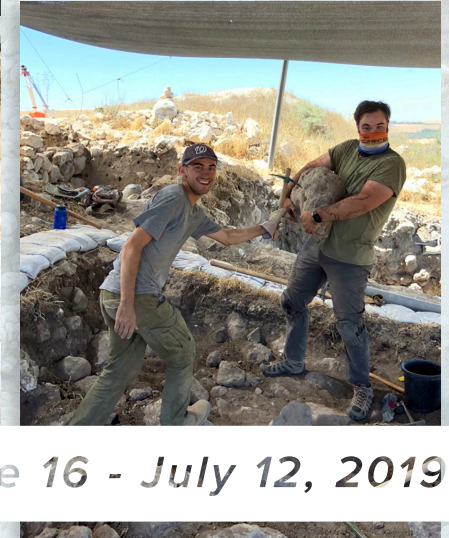
The Project

The Tel Burna Excavation Project is a long-term research project sponsored by The Institute of Archaeology at Ariel University. The project has been in the field since 2009 and is directed by Dr. Itzhaq Shai, along with the support of other academic institutions like the Tandy Institute for Archaeology. In addition to uncovering the settlement history of the site, the project's long-term goals include the study of ancient borders and collecting survey data of the site and surrounding area pertaining to agriculture and other human activity.

The Study Program & Field School

The Tel Burna Excavation Project is a multi-faceted project with a central focus on its archaeological field school. The field school involves studying the archaeology and history of ancient Israel through site excavation, processing of material at the expedition camp and on-site evening lectures by staff and guest scholars. Academic credit is available through our accredited program. Students may also participate in regional study tours on the weekends and visit sites such as the Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Masada and Qumran.

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Cost

\$2,000 (Please note the additional costs if you are seeking academic credit.)

In addition, there is a non-refundable \$50 application fee. Volunteers may choose to stay one, two, three or four weeks (cost is prorated). Payment includes participation in the excavation and related activities; room and board Sunday afternoon through Friday morning for four weeks; daily transportation to and from the site; field school; and lectures. It does not include airfare to and from Israel, weekend study tours or room and board from Friday afternoon through Sunday morning.

Academic credit is available through Ariel University.

- 3 credit hours for 2 weeks of field/academic work (additional \$500)
- 6 credit hours for 4 weeks of field/academic work (additional \$600)

Credit is also available through the American Institute Scarborough College/Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at a different rate.

Accommodations

Participants will stay at the inn at Kibbutz Netiv Halamed Hay, which offers air-conditioned rooms. Standard lodgings are 3-5 people per room.