

TeHEP SEASON FIFTEEN (2020)

Information

As a result of the work needing to be done in 2020, the TeHEP Senior Staff has decided to bump the length of Season Fifteen to **six weeks**, and to increase the number of available Team member slots per week from 30 to 50, including up to 38 volunteers. This will allow us to work in at least two areas of the palace complex simultaneously, and possibly add a third location. So, we've taken a deep breath, and decided to go big for the first time in several years.

Here are the details you need (and **read carefully!**):

The 2020 season dates are **26 January through 5 March**.

Because of tightening restrictions by the Jordan Department of Antiquities it is necessary for us to start registration now in order to have all our paperwork, including individual security forms, ready to send to the DoA by August 31, 2019.

For each dig week there are 38 volunteer slots available. These slots will be filled on a **first-come-first-served basis**. When you sign up (by paying the participation fee) you must choose your dig week(s) within 48 hours by contacting Dr Glenda Austin by phone (505-332-4253) or by email (admin@tsu-edu.us). If you fail to do this your name will automatically be moved to the end of the list. You must also have your dig paperwork and security form in the TSU office within 30 days of paying the participation fee. If you fail to do this your name will be moved to the end of the list.

So, you must do three things to be a volunteer in Season Fifteen: **first**, pay your participation fee; **second**, declare your dig weeks within 48 hours; **third**, have your paperwork and security form on Dr Austin's desk within 30 days.

When the number of volunteers reaches 38 for a given week, that week will be closed and no additional participants will be accepted for that week. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you plan to participate for **multiple weeks** or the **entire 6-week season**, early sign-up is a must. For example, if Week 3 fills up quickly before you register (which it tends to do), then the most you will be able to do are the two weeks before or after Week 3.

The Early Sign-Up participation fees (today through 21 March 2019)

Archaeology Students and TeHEP Alumni: \$650.

All others: \$750.

Regular Sign-Up participation fees (22 March through 31 July 2019)

Archaeology Students and TeHEP Alumni: \$775.

All others: \$925.

Season 2020 excavation weeks [weekend fieldtrips in brackets]

Week 1: 26 – 30 Jan [31st, Jerash & Ajloun Castle; 1st, Baptism Site & Kerak Castle]

Week 2: 2 – 6 Feb [7th Petra; 8th Madaba]

Week 3: 9 – 13 Feb [14th-15th overnight Wadi Rum & Aqaba]

Week 4: 16 – 20 Feb [21st Pella & Umm Qais; 22nd Macherus & Dibon]

Week 5: 23 – 27 Feb [no scheduled field trips]

Week 6: 1 – 5 Mar [no scheduled field trips]

Each season TeHEP welcomes volunteers from around the world. We would love to have you with us in 2020! It is possible that the 38 available volunteer slots will fill up quickly, so look at your calendar, make your plans, and get signed up for Season Fifteen. **Come dig into the biblical world with us!**