



Dickinson College at the Arava Institute
Globally Integrated Course
January 5-18, 2020



Date / time	Session	Lecturers
Sunday January 5: Welcome to Ketura		
9:45 AM	Arrival on overnight flight to Ben Gurion airport	
	Bus south to Ketura, lunch en route	
3:30 PM	Arrival to Kibbutz Ketura and check into guest house	
5:30 PM	Welcome and group logistics	
6:30 PM	Dinner in the dining room	
7:30 PM	Group discussion	
Monday January 6		
8:00 AM	Breakfast in the dining room	
9:00 AM	Tour of Kibbutz Ketura	
10:00 AM	Coffee break	
10:30 AM	Introduction to the Arava Institute	
12:30 PM	Lunch in the dining room	
2:00 PM	Lecture: Renewable energy	Dr. Tareq Abu Hamed, Academic Director, Director of the Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation
3:30 PM	Coffee break	
4:00 PM	Lecture: Political ecology of indigenous peoples in the desert	Dr. Miri Lavi-Neeman, Director of the Center for Hyper-Arid Socio-Ecology
6:00 PM	Dinner in the dining room	
7:30 PM	Group discussion	
Tuesday January 7: Field trip		
7:00 AM	Breakfast in the dining room	
7:45 AM	Bus leaves for Kibbutz Lotan	
8:00 AM	Kibbutz Lotan tour: Eco-Kef center and farming tour, solar ovens lecture, mudbuilding workshop	
12:30 PM	Lunch at the Lotan tea house	
	Kibbutz Lotan tour - continued: biogas lecture and workshop	
4:30 PM	Bus back to Ketura - free time	
6:30 PM	Dinner in the dining room	
7:30 PM	Group discussion	
Wednesday January 8		
7:00 AM	Breakfast in the dining hall	
8:00 AM	Israel and Zionism - Israeli POV	
9:00 AM	Tour of the off-grid village	
10:45 AM	Coffee break	
11:00 AM	Interactive lecture: Dialogue between groups in conflict – What we do at the Arava Institute	Dr. Michael Alexander, Coordinator, Peace-building Leadership Seminar
1:00 PM	Lunch in the dining room	
2:00 PM	Free time	
3:00 PM	Optional hike up "Electricity Mountain"	
5:00 PM	Activity: Kibbutz values and practice	
	Drop off laundry	
6:30 PM	Dinner in the dining room	
7:30 PM	Group discussion	

Thursday January 9		
7:30 AM	Breakfast in the dining room	
8:30 AM	Walking tour:	
	Experimental orchards	
	Date fields	
	Large photovoltaic solar energy field	
12:00 PM	Pick up laundry	
12:30 PM	Lunch at Ketura	
1:30 PM	Bus to Yotvata	
2:00 PM	Field trip:	
	Arava R&D center in Yotvata	
3:45 PM	Yotvata ice cream	
4:45 PM	Bus to Eilat	
	Free time in Eilat (including dinner)	
9:20 PM	Bus back from Eilat	
Friday January 10: Heading to Jerusalem		
7:00 AM	Breakfast in the dining hall + check out of the guest house	
8:00 AM	Summary session	Cathie Granit, Program Director
9:00 AM	Depart Ketura	
9:30 AM	Tour of Neot Smadar	
11:30 AM	Depart Neot Smadar	
1:00 PM	Stop in Mitzpe Ramon for bread-making workshop and lunch	Lasha Bakery
4:30 PM	Arrive in Jerusalem - check into Abraham Hostel	
7:00 PM	Dinner with Shira Simchovitch (hosts Fri night dinners for groups)	
Saturday January 11: Ein Rafa		
8:00 AM	Breakfast at the hostel	
9:00 AM	Bus to Ein Rafa	
9:30 AM	Visit urban farming initiatives and agri-tourism	Yasmin Barhum, traditional Muslim farmer
12:00 PM	Lunch in Ein Rafa	
1:30 PM	Bus back to Jerusalem	
2:00 PM	Tasting tour of the Muslim Quarter in the Old City of Jerusalem	Sacred Cuisine
6:00 PM	Street food for Dinner	
	Free time	
Overnight	Abraham Hostel Jlem	
Sunday January 12: Jerusalem and heading to the coast		
6:30 AM	Breakfast at the hostel	
7:30 AM	Check out and walk to Old City	
8:00 AM	Old City tour	Jeremy Collins, tour guide
12:00	Lunch in the Old City	
1:30 PM	Continue to Tel Aviv	
3:00 PM	Tasting tour of Shuk Hacarmel	Yalla Basta
5:30 PM	Check into Abraham Hostel TA	
6:30 PM	Dinner at the central bus station area	
7:00 PM	Tour of the Central Bus Station in Tel Aviv	Funzing
	Free time for Tel Aviv night life	
Monday January 13: Tel Aviv and heading North		
7:30 AM	Breakfast at the hostel + check out	
8:15 AM	Bus to Dizengoff Center	
8:30 AM	Workshop: urban farming	Yarok Ba'ir urban farming center
10:00 AM	Free time + lunch in Dizengoff Center area	
2:00 PM	Walk to City Tree	
2:30 PM	City Tree	
5:00 PM	Depart Tel Aviv - drive north	
7:00 PM	Arrive in Beit She'an - check into youth hostel	
7:30 PM	Dinner in Beit She'an	
8:30 PM	Group discussion	

Tuesday January 14: Sde Eliyahu and Ma'ale Gilboa		
7:30 AM	Breakfast at the hostel	
8:30 AM	Drive to Sde Eliyahu	
9:00 AM	Tour organic farm	Bio-Tour
12:30 PM	Lunch in Sde Eliyahu dining hall	
1:30 PM	Drive to Ma'ale Gilboa	
2:30 PM	Tour wind farms	
4:00 PM	Drive back to overnight at Beit She'an youth hostel	
6:30 PM	Dinner in Beit She'an	
7:30 PM	Group discussion	
Wednesday January 15: Hukok		
7:30 AM	Breakfast at the hostel	
8:30 AM	Check out and drive to Hukok	
10:00 AM	Hydroponic and sustainable farm visit	Green in the Village
12:00 PM	Drive towards Tzivon	
12:30 PM	Lunch on the way	
1:30 PM	Visit organic vineyard in Tzivon	Ido Sirkin, organic winemaker
3:30 PM	Drive to accommodation - youth hostel in Pki'in	
6:00 PM	Dinner in Pki'in - Druze experience: making your own Druze dish, explanations about the religion, eating the meal	Mitbach Hashvil
8:00 PM	Group discussion	
Thursday January 16: Klil		
7:30 AM	Breakfast at the hostel + check out	
8:30 AM	Tour of Pki'in including shopping for food for dinner	
10:00 AM	Drive to Klil	
11:00 AM	Klil and Adama community visit	Yair Teller, Founder of HomeBiogas
1:00 PM	Lunch as part of the tour	
	Continue tour	
Afternoon	Market in Klil	
	Dinner at the vegan guesthouse	
	Accommodation at the vegan guesthouse, Adama	
8:00 PM	Group discussion	
Friday January 17: Harduf		
7:30 AM	Breakfast at Adama	
8:30 AM	Check out and drive to Harduf	
9:30 AM	Visit organic farm	Arnon Duvdevani, Organic Farming Experience
12:00 PM	Lunch as part of the tour	
2:00 PM	Depart to Haifa	
	Free time in Haifa	
	Dinner in Haifa	
	Accommodation - Hostel Roks, Haifa	
7:30 PM	Group discussion	
Saturday January 18: Culture in the North and departure		
8:30 AM	Late breakfast	
9:40 AM	Drive to Baha'i Gardens	
10:00 AM	Tour of the Baha'i Gardens	
11:00 AM	Back to hostel, check out	
12:15 PM	Drive to Beit Hagefen	
12:30 PM	Tour Haifa - Multicultural food and art tour, includes lunch	Beit Hagefen, Arab-Jewish center for culture, society, youth and sport
4:00 PM	Free time in Haifa	
5:00 PM	Depart the North and drive to airport, dinner en route	
11:45 PM	Evening flight back home	