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Who we are?

The Palestinian Center for Education and Cultural Exchange – Go Palestine was established in 2011 to meet the cultural, social, and educational needs of the Palestinian Community. The center offers educational and community services to its Palestinian population through a diverse staff. Through tutoring and educational programs, the center promotes unyielding support to Palestinian youth.

The center acts as a meeting point for all the internationals who come from every corner of the world in order to immerse themselves in Palestinian culture and to become acquainted with Palestinian daily life. Our international interns and volunteers teach Palestinian youth and more mature Palestinian community members about their own home cultures, thereby gaining valuable experience and knowledge for themselves. It is a true cultural exchange.



Our Hebron Center offers English, Turkish, and Hebrew language courses to Palestinians of all ages, beginning with children who are 7 years old. The Center provides social and educational activities that aim to entertain and educate; these activities will enhance the life and professional skills of the mature community members in Hebron.

Our Mission

We seek to create a conscious & educated generation through our various educational courses & programs. In addition, we aim at training our teaching staff to use the latest educational methods that encourage students to learn.

We also seek to use modern technology in our educational methods through the use of applications & programs. We look always to make our center an educational destination for every Palestinian who desires to learn and acquire new skills.



What do we want to accomplish?

We believe in the right of every human being from all genders to learn. We at Go Palestine try as much as possible to benefit everyone in Palestine who needs to learn. Our work is not only within a specific geographical framework due to our location in Hebron, but we seek to reach other areas through online education.

We specifically motivate girls and women to learn and always strive to provide them with opportunities first, whether opportunities for learning or teaching.

This is what makes the majority of our teachers and staff females. This stems from our desire to break the prevailing image of women in Palestine.



Our Website

The Palestine Center's website provides readers with a variety of articles, stories, pictures, and adventures and experiences awaiting the traveler to Palestine. The website is your ideal online platform from which to learn travel tips, cultural interaction, living, and learning in Palestine.



Equipment & Facilities

The Palestinian center is fully equipped with high-speed wireless internet, two printers, and computers. The center has a big reception room, three classrooms, and a big kitchen.

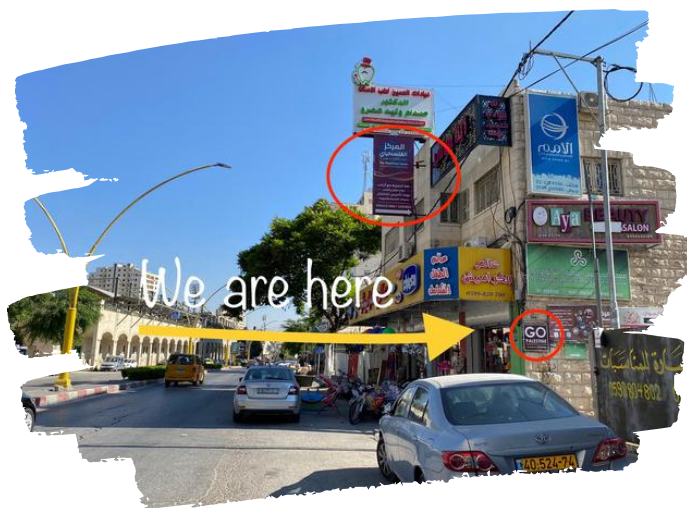


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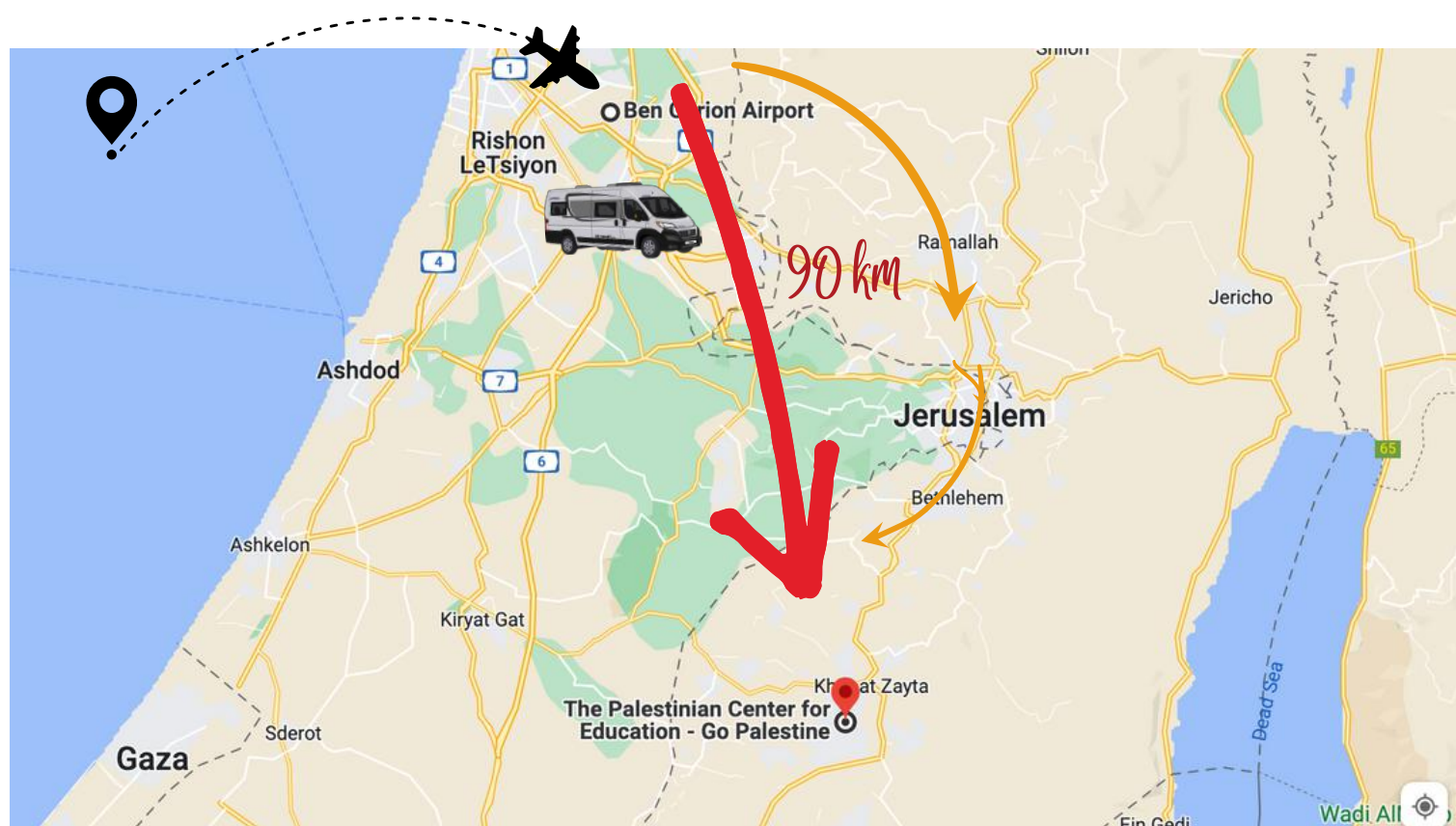
Our Location



The center is located in the heart of Hebron on Ein Sarah Street (this section of the city is under the supervision of the Palestinian Authority). The location of our center on one of the most famous streets in the city makes it accessible to everyone using any means of transportation.

Our Center on the Map

The distance between Ben Gurion Airport and our center is about 90 kilometers, and the trip takes 2-3 hours to reach Hebron because the transportation is not connected to each other and is different between Israel and Palestine





OUR LOVELY TEAM

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Who works at the center?



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Hebrew Language Teacher



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English/Arabic Language Teacher



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English/Arabic Language Teacher



Adv. Zaid Qawasmi
Law Program Guide



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English Language Teacher



HEBRON CITY

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An Overview

Hebron or as it's called in Arabic Al-Khalil is a Palestinian city located in the southern part of the West Bank. It is 30 km (19 miles) far away from Jerusalem and it is the second biggest city after Gaza. In Hebron, there are around 300,000 Palestinians who live in the city and around 500,000 who live in the villages.



People in Hebron Known for their generosity where you might be offered a cup of a tea or a coffee while roaming in the city. In addition, people are so friendly and lovable where they are eager to get to know about other cultures and hosting people from all over the world.

المَدِينَةُ الَّتِي لَا يَجُوعُ بِهَا إِنْسَانٌ

The city where no one goes hungry^{PN}



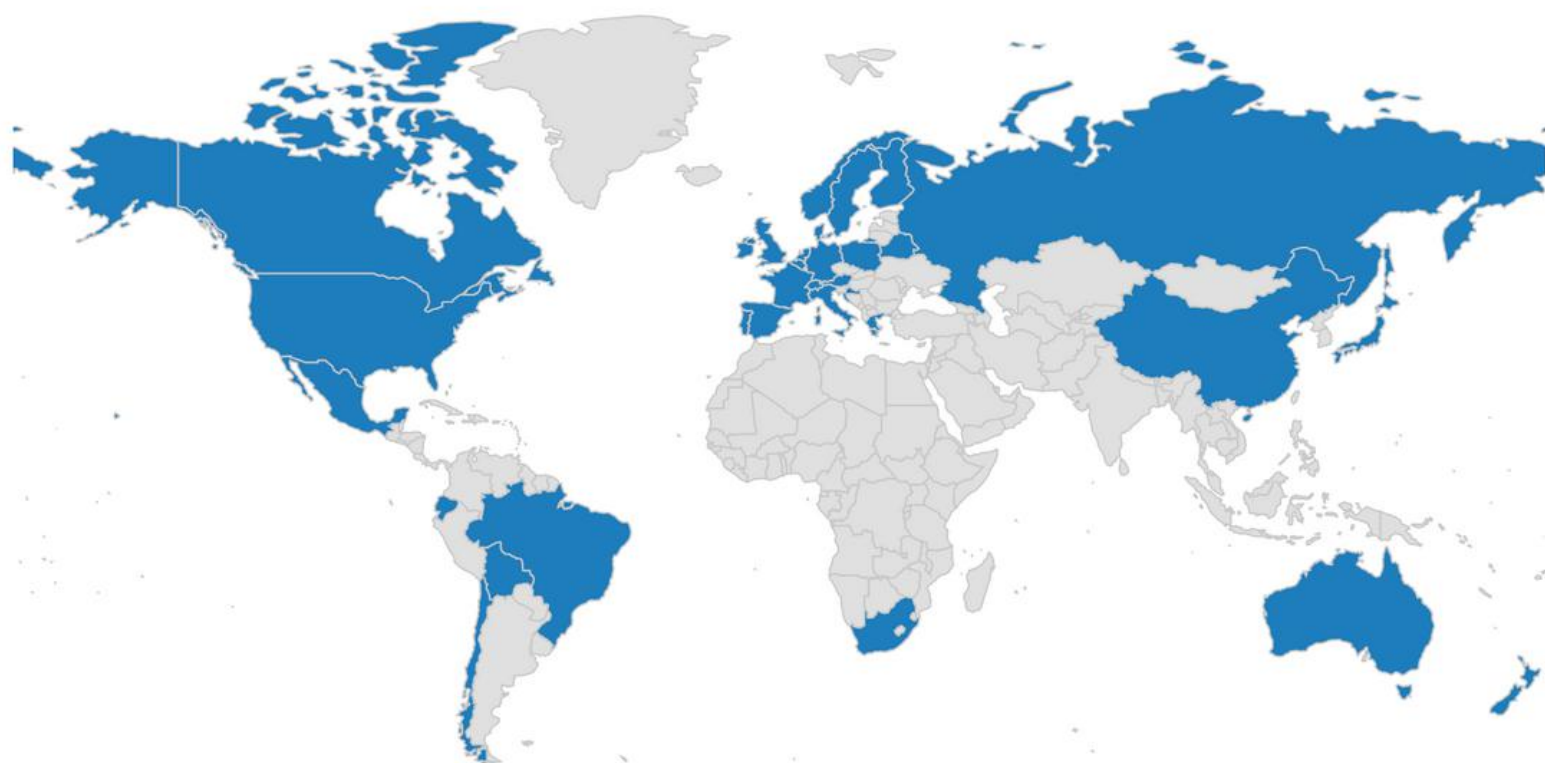
OUR PARTICIPANTS

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PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES SINCE 2011

The Palestinian Center has hosted people who have come from a myriad of countries, such as the USA, the United Kingdom, Denmark, Colombia, France, Japan, China, Chile, Switzerland, Russia, Germany, and many more. All that you need to join us is to speak English very well and have management skills.

Go Palestine welcomes all people who are 18 to 75 years old to apply to any of our volunteer/internship/language programs. Academic or professional degrees are not required to join any of our programs.



We hosted participants from more than

40 Countries in the world

For the last **11** Years!





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**WHAT
OUR PARTICIPANTS SAY?**

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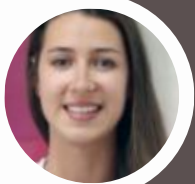


“I think that it is wonderful for the Palestinian Center to provide English classes for girls as it encourages future women of Palestinian society to invest in their education and to recognize their worth as equal contributors.”

Amber Lewis - Australia

“I had the chance to meet with dozens of lawyers, judges, and prosecutors and ask them about their work in Palestine. The legal professionals I met with were all more than happy to teach me about the history of law in Palestine.”

“**Sasha Burkhardt - Switzerland**



“My experience at the Palestinian center has been very positive. I have taken the Intensive Arabic Course and I have seen great improvements in my language skills. I have spent only 2 weeks in Palestine this summer, but I would like to return later on for a longer period.”

Francesco Belcastro - UK



“I spent 3 weeks in Hebron enrolled on the Israel-Palestine conflict program and the Volunteer in Local Schools program. I enjoyed my time there, and found the program to be an excellent introduction into Palestinian life and culture.”

Sarah Pinkerton - USA



TESTIMONIALS ”



“Volunteering in Hebron was an eye-opening experience for me, even as a Palestinian who knows well the extent of the occupation, I witnessed first-hand the hardships that everyday Palestinians face here. ”

Amin Abdelaziz - Italy



“Having open conversations with the families and people that we visited gave me very valuable insight into helping me form an opinion and a better understanding of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.”

Hannah Brock - UK



“My friend and I (both female) have walked home almost every night, mostly quite late, and never felt unsafe during the long walk. People were by and large friendly and helpful, I never felt at risk while we were exploring the city.”

Martha Courtauld - UK



“ I have had the opportunity to meet with local lawyers, activists, and government officials to hear, first-hand, their experiences of the occupation in both legal and non-legal contexts.”

Rory Patrick - UK





VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

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1

Volunteer in the West Bank/Palestine

From 1-4 Weeks

Volunteer in the West Bank is a program in which you participate in activities that are organized to address the needs and goals of children, adults, and community members.

Volunteer in the West Bank is one of our programs that will give you the chance to volunteer with school students, university students and community members and, at the same time, study and practice Arabic as well as immerse yourself in Arabic culture.



2

Volunteer with Palestinian Children

From 1-4 Weeks

In this program you will be engaging in educational and entertainment activities structured for children aged 6 to 12 years old. These activities aim educate children with English activities.

This program been designed to engage the Palestinian children with internationals where children get to know other cultures and take part in activities which help them learn from older people in many different fields.



3

Volunteer with Palestinian Refugees

From 1-4 Weeks

The Volunteer with Palestinian Refugees is aimed at gathering internationals with Palestinians in order that they might get to know the refugee situation in Palestine. Through listening to the stories of Palestinian refugees, internationals will become more knowledgeable about how the occupation has affected and still affects, their daily life.

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4 Volunteer at local Schools in Palestine From 1-4 Weeks



Volunteering at Local Schools in Palestine will give you the opportunity to teach English and to participate in various educational activities, which are aimed at enhancing the English language skills of the Palestinian students in local schools in Hebron. This program includes your participation in English conversational sessions in the classroom, along with the organization of educational and entertainment activities.

5 Volunteer as Articles Writer in Palestine From 1-3 Weeks



The Volunteer as an Articles Writer in Palestine program is designed for those who wish to travel to Palestine and write about it as a means of presenting the rich cultural, historical, and traditional backdrops that the country and its citizens offer to the world.

Through this program, the writer will become immersed in the daily life of Palestine and Palestinians. This program presents the writer with a variety of topics to choose from, from archaeology to music, to literature, to art, to business, to science and education, to tourism and sightseeing, to name only a few. Only the sky and the writer's imagination are the limits!



INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS


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1

Law & Human Rights Internship

From 1-4 Weeks




The Law & Human Rights in Palestine Program is an informative program that provides you with information about the human rights situation in Palestine especially Women's and Children's Rights and the work of human rights NGOs in the city of Hebron.

The program is designed to give you a better understanding of the situation of human rights in Palestine, including the numerous violations, and provide you with actual experience from the ground. In addition, the program gives you the opportunity to know, understand, and engage with the Palestinian legal system. As a participant in this program, you will be able to learn about the judicial system and how the courts operate in Palestine.

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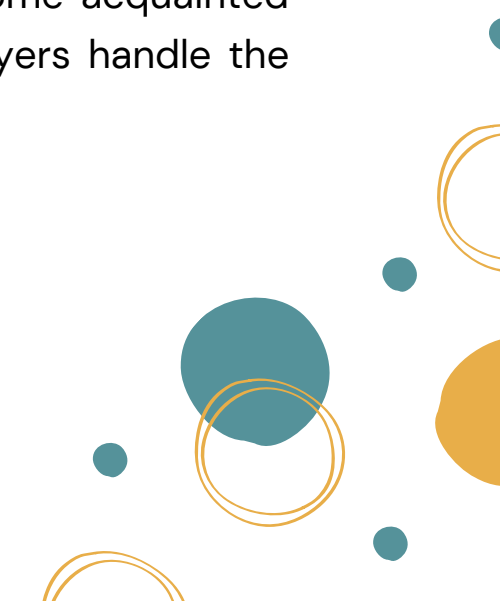
Law Internship – Intern at a Law Firm

From 1-6 Weeks



The Law internship in Palestine/West Bank program is a program that gives you the opportunity to know, understand, and engage with the Palestinian legal system. As an intern in this program, you will be able to learn about the judicial system and visit the courts in Hebron, Palestine.

The Law internship in Palestine/West Bank program is offered at a Palestinian law firm in Hebron. The program is for individuals who want to become acquainted with Palestinian law and learn how judges, prosecutors, and lawyers handle the diversity of cases that are received by the courts in Palestine.



INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS



3 Israeli-Palestinian Conflict & Refugees

From 1-4 Weeks

The Israeli-Palestinian conflict and Refugees Program is an informative program that provides education and was created to inform you about one of the most complicated conflicts in recent history. The program is designed to give you a better understanding of the conflict and provide you with actual experience from the ground.



In addition, it's a unique opportunity for participants to become acquainted with the situation of refugees living in Palestine and understand the nature of their lives inside the West Bank camps. In Hebron, we take you on field trips to the refugee camps where you will meet with families living there. It will enable participants to listen to the stories of the residents of the camps, especially the elderly who will relate how they came to be displaced into these camps.

4 Trade & Industry Internship

From 1-4 Weeks

The Trade and Industry in Palestine Program is designed for those wishing to learn about the most prominent industries that exist in Palestine. The program aims at introducing the participants to the factors producing the prosperity of the industrial sector, the development of sub-industries, and the formation of a cluster society. Special attention is given to the sector of shoes and leather, textiles, and clothing, which impact positively on Palestinian exports.

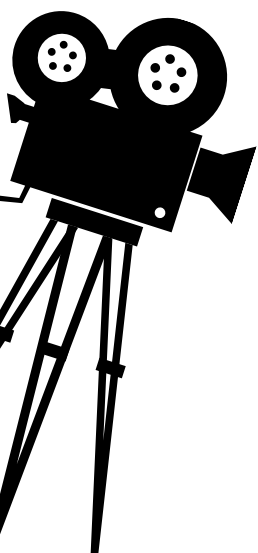


INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS



Media and Journalism Internship

From 1-4 Weeks



Media and Journalism in Palestine is a great opportunity for individuals who are interested in media or whose work relates to media and who want to gain experience working with media in Palestine. You will have the opportunity to visit local radio stations and understand the challenges Palestinian media outlets face due to the occupation.

Media and Journalism in Palestine will give you the chance to learn Arabic and tour a number of historic and cultural sites in the city of Hebron. Through the program, you will have the chance to produce a short film about Palestine.

A large, stylized logo consisting of the letters 'E' and 'A' in a bold, orange, sans-serif font. The 'E' is composed of three thick horizontal bars and a vertical bar on the left. The 'A' is composed of two thick diagonal bars meeting at a point at the top and a thick horizontal bar at the bottom. The logo is set against a teal background that is part of a larger graphic design.

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TEACH ENGLISH PROGRAMS



1

Teach Conversational English & Study Arabic

From 1-3 Weeks

Teach Conversational English & Study Arabic in Palestine program is designed for those who are or who are not experienced in teaching English. For those who have little or no teaching experience, this program provides the opportunity for gaining valuable experience in teaching with the assistance of the Palestine Center's qualified and experienced teachers.

Teach Conversational English & Study Arabic in Palestine program is designed for those who want to teach conversational English to Palestinian and those who would love to interact with Palestinian community members in general. The program offers English lessons to children aged 7-13-year-old, adults, and community members. English conversational abilities are concentrated on through the use of interactive activities.


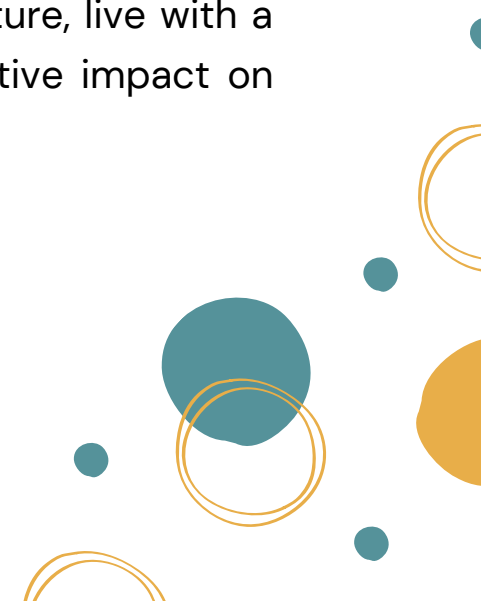

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Teach English in Palestine/West Bank

From 4-6 Weeks

Teach English in Palestine is designed for those who want to teach English to Palestinians (Conversational part) and those who would love to interact with Palestinian community members in general.

In addition, this program gives a great opportunity to those who want to travel to Palestine, visit historical sites, get to know the Palestinian culture, live with a Palestinian host family, and most importantly leave a very positive impact on the Palestinian community.





STUDY ARABIC

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1

Study Shami Arabic (Ammiya) in Palestine

From 1-12 Weeks

The Study Shami/Levantine Arabic in Palestine/ West Bank program presents a valuable opportunity for those who want to learn and study Shami Arabic (Levantine Arabic, also known as Ammiya) and practice it with people in Palestine. Shami Arabic is spoken by nearly 42 million people in four Arab countries: Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon, and Syria.

The Shami/Levantine dialect is the most easily understandable dialect for people of the Gulf, or Arab countries in the northernmost areas of the African continent, such as Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria, Egypt, and Libya. You will be able to communicate to a large audience of people by learning the Shami dialect.



2

Study Modern Standard Arabic in Palestine

From 1-12 Weeks

The Study Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) program in Palestine is one of the most important programs offered by the Palestinian Center to foreigners from different countries around the world who wish to learn and study Standard Arabic or the well-known modern Arabic language. The program aims to teach Modern Standard Arabic, which is the language of education, media, and journalism in the Arab world.

The Study Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) program in Palestine introduces the four language skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing), and the elements of language (sounds, vocabulary, and structures) in an integrative way. It also takes into account the linguistic, communicative, and cultural competencies, adopting the gradual method according to the level of the learner.



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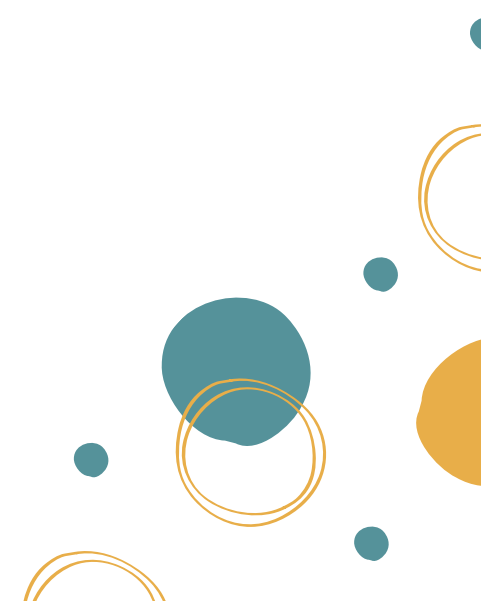


Study Colloquial Arabic in Palestine

From 1-12 Weeks

Study colloquial Arabic in Palestine Program is one of the unique programs that we offer at Go Palestine. The program was designed for those wishing to study the spoken language of the Palestinians as part of Levantine dialects. The program aims to give students the opportunity to learn the Arabic spoken language through intensive classes as well as practice the language by living with a Palestinian family in the city of Hebron.

The colloquial Arabic program is taught by qualified teachers with years of teaching experience. Our teachers use the best educational methods and techniques to teach the colloquial Arabic texts, phrases, and words that students learn in each lesson. The classes are intense in a way that makes the student get the maximum benefit during a short period of time. The program ranges from a week as the shortest period to three months as the maximum.





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ONLINE COURSES

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1 Study Arabic Online (Levantine Arabic or MSA) From 10-50 Hours

Arabic ONLINE courses have proven to be effective in achieving the desired results. We know that there are millions of people who want to develop their Arabic skills, but they do not have the time to join an Arabic course or to travel to a foreign country.

That's why we've created these online Arabic courses which means that we can aid you in your educational journey no matter what level you are or where you live. Our ONLINE Arabic courses give you all the necessary materials including radio and television programs that are aimed at improving your Arabic skills.

2 Online Arabic for Children (Levantine Arabic or MSA) From 10-50 Hours

The Palestinian Center offers online Arabic courses for children all over the world using the best teaching methods & since it's online, we can reach you anywhere in the world. Our teaching staff has considerable knowledge, good teaching methods, and techniques, and they use the most beneficial learning materials. These courses are available to all levels (beginners, intermediate and advanced levels)

There are many lifelong benefits of learning a foreign language, which include increase in empathy for different cultures, improving cognitive processing, greater academic performance and more career options in the future.

ONLINE COURSES



3 Teach English & Learn Arabic ONLINE! From 2-8 Weeks

If you are unable to come to Palestine for any reason, but you still want to help Palestinians by teaching English online, then Teach English & Learn Arabic ONLINE is your suitable choice. It enables you to teach English online to Palestinian students individually and at the same time learn Arabic through one of our qualified teachers.

The Teach English & Learn Arabic ONLINE is designed for those who want to teach English to Palestinians and also interact with Palestinian community members using one of the video chat apps, including Skype, WhatsApp, Google Meeting, ZOOM, and other available applications that provide such a service.

4 Online Crash Courses Six hours each course

The online courses offered by the Palestinian Center focus on various fields and topics that have great importance to many people in the world, including school and university students, employees, and anyone interested in learning more about Palestine.

Among the areas covered in these online courses are human rights in Palestine, the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, media in Palestine, the issue of Palestinian refugees, the legal reality and laws governing Palestine (the West Bank and Gaza Strip), and much more.



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1

Short Guided Tours in Hebron City

One to Three Days

The Palestinian center – Go Palestine organizes short guided tours of one, two, and three days for those who wish to visit Hebron, the largest city in the West Bank. The Palestinian center's tours make your tour informative, and enjoyable by using local guides who are richly knowledgeable regarding the city, and Palestinian culture. Our guides speak English fluently.

Hebron, or Al Khalil in Arabic, is located in the southern West Bank. It is 19 miles (30 km) from Jerusalem. After Gaza, Hebron is the largest city with a population of 300,000 Palestinians, and another 500,000 people who live in surrounding villages. Hebron is divided into two sectors: H1 which is controlled by the Palestinian Authority and which is comprised of 80% of the whole city.

2

Visit a Refugee Camp in Palestine

From 10-50 Hours

The Palestinian center – Go Palestine organizes a tour to one of the refugee camps in Hebron (Al-Fawar Camp, or Al-Aroob Camp) with a tour guide who speaks English fluently. It is a great opportunity to get to know how the people there cope with living in this situation since 1948 and 1967. You will hear many stories from these camp residents about how they were compelled to flee their villages out of fear during 1948 and 1967.

The Palestinian center – Go Palestine organizes these visits so that our program participants are able to learn and experience first-hand a greater understanding (above and beyond newspaper reports!) of the camps and the people who live there. Our escort and guide is fluent in English and is able to effectively translate between camp residents and program participants.

OUR SERVICES



3

Stay with a Palestinian Host Family

One Day to Two Months

The Palestinian center – Go Palestine will help arrange a host family for you to reside with in Hebron. Our large network of families in Hebron allows us to locate a family just right for you!

There are many benefits of living with a host family in a country you visit for the first time. Firstly, you will be in direct contact with the culture you wish to understand. You will experience the social behavior and daily habits of the local people. Secondly, you will have the opportunity to attend events, celebrations, such as weddings, that reflect people's traditions, while sharing their special moments and participating as an integral part of their daily life.

4

Translation Services in Palestine

Official & Sworn Translations

We are proud to offer our translation services to our clients all over the world, including small startups, organizations, large global organizations from various fields, and individuals. We've improved our processes to meet your unique needs, with the ability to adapt from small on-demand tasks to sophisticated fully managed tasks.

We at the Palestinian Center provide translation and interpretation services from English into Standard Arabic, Palestinian dialect, or from Arabic into English. In addition, we translate documents from Hebrew into Arabic or English or vice versa. The Palestinian Center for Education and Cultural Exchange provides high-quality translation by our experienced translators who have degrees and various training in translation. They are also familiar with the organizational requirements and technical language of your business.



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