

Jersey International Centre of Advanced Studies

2024 ISLAND ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL DESPOTIKO, THE CYCLADES, GREECE

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The Jersey International Centre of Advanced Studies Field School is a research-led centre of teaching and learning that focuses on all things islands. Located in the beautiful and culturally rich island of Jersey, Channel Islands, and other islands across Europe, the JICAS Field School offers both theoretical and skills-based courses that help prepare the next generation of practitioners and decision makers within the field of Island Studies.

At our 2024 Island Archaeology Field School – Despotiko, Greece, we offer you the chance to work with academics and practitioners from leading UK and European universities to learn by observing, questioning and doing. Within these two-week field courses, we bring people together from across the world to explore the importance of island archaeology and why it matters. Our entire academic and fieldwork programme is aimed at ensuring that you can make the most of the opportunity to explore the world of island archaeology within an island context.

Through different research methods including ground-truthing evaluation, statistical analysis and conservation techniques, you will undertake fieldwork to investigate archaeological remains and engage with on-going excavations.



JICAS Island Archaeology Field School – Despotiko, The Cyclades, Greece (24 May – 9 June, 2024)

The archaeological excavation of the Sanctuary of Apollo at Despotiko is run in partnership with the Ephorate of the Antiquities of the Cyclades, Greek Ministry of Culture. This two-week Island Archaeology Field School will explore the key achievements of Parian culture during the Archaic period through the lens of the island's ancient sites and the magnificent ceramics and sculptures housed in the Archaeological Museum of Paros. The Field School will devote particular attention to the Sanctuary of Apollo on nearby Despotiko, where students will have the opportunity to excavate for two weeks and learn the basics of field archaeology. To place Parian achievements in context, we will visit museums in Naxos and Delos to compare the Archaic materials from these sites. The two-week course also comprises a series of thematic lectures that will acquaint students with broader themes of the Archaic period, helping to set the background to understand the Parian achievements within the broad context of Greece.



Cost: £3500 (includes accommodation, dinner on site, travel to and from London, day trip to Delos and all other cultural activities). Pls note that this does not include trip from US to London.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- introductory tour around the site
- short introduction to excavation
- methods of the site (recording of finds, layers, stratigraphy etc)
- presentation by the conservators
- drawing of archaeological remains and artefacts
- lectures on the history of the Cyclades, Paros and the site at Despotiko
- trips to other islands, museums and other points of interest

SKILLS

- field survey techniques
- practitioners archaeological training
- conservation methods
- applying theoretical and scientific principles to archaeological problems
- post-excavation and lab techniques
- applying statistical and numerical techniques
- interoperation of spatial data
- teamwork



Typical day on site:

7:20 – 7:30 – Meeting at the pier of Aghios Georghios (5 min. walking from accommodation)

7:30 – 7:40 – small boat to Despotiko island (5 – 10 minutes ride depending on the current)

7:40 – 8:00 – walk from the coast of Despotiko to the site (max.10 minutes) –
preparation for the dig (sunblock, proper clothing etc)

8:00 – 11:00 – Excavation

11 – 11:30 – Break - free time for relaxing, eating, etc

11:30 – 14:30 – Excavation

14:45 – 15:00 – Return to Aghios Georghios

16:00 – 17:00 – Lunch / Dinner

19:00 – 20:30 – Lectures, talks and presentations (Tues, Weds and Thurs)

***Saturday, 1 June – Day Trip to Delos and Mykonos**

***Saturday, 8 June – Night in Athens near the Acropolis**

Field School Leaders

Field School leader: Yannos Kourayos.

Kourayos studied Archaeology at the University of Florence and has been working as an archaeologist for the Greek Ministry of Culture since 1986. He was head Archaeologist for the 21st Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities on the islands of Paros, Antiparos and Despotiko from 1986 through 2006 and from 2011 until now. Over the last 28 years he has been conducting many rescue excavations in Paros and currently he is curator at the Archaeological Museum of Paros. Since 1997 he has directed the excavations on the sanctuary of Apollo at Despotiko. Yannos has several articles and books on the archaeology and art of Paros and Despotiko and has given more than one hundred talks at universities in Europe, United States of America, Brazil and Japan.

Field School leader: Dr Erica Angliker

Dr Angliker has BA and MA in Classics from Unicamp (Brazil), an MA in Archaeology from Columbia University in New York and PhD in Classical Archaeology from

University of Zurich. Erica was Research Fellow at the Institute of Classical Studies, University of London from 2019 until 2021. Currently she is fellow at the Danish Institute for Mediterranean Studies and Researcher collaborator at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Unicamp (Brazil). Erica has worked as scientific member at the excavations on the island of Despotiko since 2011 and together with the director of the excavation Yannis Kourayos she has been publishing several artefacts retrieved from the excavations; currently they are working on the study of the dancing floor recently discovered at the island of Tsimintiry. Dr Angliker is the author of a range of articles on the religion and archaeology of the Archaic and Classical Cyclades.

Field School leader: Dr Sean Dettman

Dr Dettman holds a BA from the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater and a PhD from the Institute of Historical Research, University of London. Before becoming Director at the Jersey International Centre of Advanced Studies (JICAS) in 2019, Sean was a lecturer at the University of East London and University College Jersey. Dr Dettman publishes regularly on a range of topics from the Second World War to Island History and Archaeology.



Island Archaeology Field School
Despotiko, The Cyclades, Greece
2024 registration

Name:

Email / phone:

Previous experience (both fieldwork and statistical programming):

Do you require additional facilities?

Deposit: £750

All deposits are refundable until 1 March 2024

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