Service Learning Conference "Current Status and Future Prospects of Service Learning" Bethlehem, Palestine, May, 2023

Workshop

Community Archaeology and Service Learning: Preservation of Cultural Heritage

Content:

Community Archaeology aims to do outreach activities with local communities across Palestine. The Archaeology Department would enable volunteer adults and school children to participate in archaeological fieldwork projects through communitybased excavations within the Palestinian zone, while facilitating the involvement of local people in the study of their local heritage. The importance of this act will give awareness of how to keep Palestinian cultural heritage, and how to care for historical and archeological remains, which is valuable to humanity by large. It also would engage the community in economic sustainability since many areas have tourist attractions, such as pilgrimages among others.

The students will work with community and government organizations, learning to apply archaeological methods to real world problems to preserve and interpret significant heritage sites.

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