

# Gustav Jeeninga Museum Fellowship for Archaeology



**ANDERSON UNIVERSITY**

Academic and Christian Discovery

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## Purpose

The Gustav Jeeninga Museum Fellowship for Archaeology is established for the purpose of developing scholars in the field of archaeology and biblical studies. The intent of this fellowship is that recipients will become engaged in the field of archaeology, establish a chosen career in this field or in biblical studies, or broaden their biblical knowledge through practical experience with archaeological fieldwork.

## Criteria for Selection

A museum fellow must be either a current undergraduate or seminary student or a current faculty member of Anderson University or the School of Theology at the time of application. Priority will be given to students for receipt of this fellowship. Faculty candidates must fulfill all applicable criteria for selection with the exception of criteria that apply only to students. The criteria for choosing a candidate will be as follows:

- An undergraduate candidate for this fellowship must have at least achieved the academic standing of sophomore, be pursuing a primary major in biblical studies, and have at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale. School of Theology students must have completed at least one year and have a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
- All candidates must apply to the director of the Jeeninga Museum for this fellowship.
- The candidate must write an essay describing how this fellowship will enhance his or her educational study, future career endeavors, and/or effectiveness as a faculty member at Anderson University.
- The candidate will be chosen by a committee consisting of the director of the Jeeninga Museum, the biblical studies faculty of the School of Theology, the chair of the Department of Religious Studies, and the dean of the College of Science and Humanities.
- A previously selected candidate may apply for and receive the fellowship again in subsequent years.

## Criteria for Approved Study

- Museum fellows will be limited in the location of their archaeological fieldwork or study. They must complete their fellowship in an archeological project or study area located in countries identified as the Ancient Near East or the islands in the Mediterranean considered a part of this historical region.
- The archaeological project or study will be limited to excavations or study locations ranging between the Early Bronze Age and the Byzantine Empire to A.D. 1000.

## Fellowship Funding

- The fellowship will provide funds toward the cost of travel expenses and room and board up to a maximum of four weeks of archeological fieldwork or study (i.e., digging, study of topology, geography, museums, or other related areas).
- The fellowship will be awarded only as a suitable candidate may be identified and as the funding substantially covers the cost of travel and room and board.

## Expectation of Returning Fellows

- After completing the fellowship, the fellow is expected to present a written report to the director of the Jeeninga Museum, the Department of Religious Studies, and the biblical studies faculty of the School of Theology concerning this learning endeavor.
- The fellow is expected to make a formal presentation of his or her experience before peers in biblical studies or other interested students and faculty of the institution.
- The fellow will submit receipts for travel expenses documenting the cost of travel, meals, housing, etc.

## Application Deadline

The application must be received by **Feb. 1, 2009**. The fellowship candidate will be notified by March 1, 2009.

# Museum Fellowship Application

## Application Deadline:

This application must be received by **Feb. 1, 2009**, for consideration by the selection committee.

## Detach and return application to:

David Neidert, director of the Jeeninga Museum  
1100 East Fifth Street, Anderson IN 46012-3495

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant is:

- a student
- a faculty member

## Required essay (*attach essay to this application*)

The applicant must write a three- to five-page type-written essay describing how this fellowship will enhance his or her educational study, future career endeavors, and/or effectiveness as a faculty member at Anderson University. The essay must conform to the **criteria for approved study** as listed in this application packet. The essay must also include potential locations, dates of the proposed study, and estimated costs of this study program. The applicant must provide an estimated budget using the template provided for their study and travel, including airfare, lodging, study program costs, possible ground transportation, and other expenses as reasonably determined as necessary for undertaking this fellowship.

The applicant may be asked to share this essay or additional information through a personal interview with the selection committee.

## Applicant's statement of agreement

In the event that I receive this fellowship, I agree to fulfill the expectations as outlined: 1) to present a written report to the director of the Jeeninga Museum, the Department of Religious Studies, and the biblical studies faculty of the School of Theology; 2) to make a formal presentation of my experience before my peers in biblical studies or other interested students and faculty of the institution; and 3) to submit receipts for travel expenses documenting the cost of travel, meals, housing, and other expenses covered by this fellowship.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### For Office Use:

- Undergraduate/graduate standing and major verification
- Seminary applicant
- Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_
- Essay and budget request attached to application
- Date application received \_\_\_\_\_

*Template*

**Financial Request for Jeeninga  
Fellowship in Archaeology**

**Name of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Proposed Study** \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Affiliation/Institution Associated with Proposed Study** (e.g., college or group sponsoring a dig or travel program) \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed Date of the Study Program** \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposal**

Brief summary of the proposed study program.

**Proposed Financial Request**

- Cost of the study program (e.g., if affiliated with a college/institution or sponsored archaeological dig)
- Estimate of lodging (if the study program is not associated with a college/institution or a sponsored archaeological dig)
- Estimated airfare
- Estimated ground transportation (e.g., from airport to dig site/home base for study program)
- Estimated cost of food (if not included in affiliate program)
- Estimate of miscellaneous expenses\* (please list potential gratuities or other items necessary while in the country of the study program)

\* The fellowship does not cover the cost of visa or passport fees. Fellows are responsible, at their own expense, for obtaining their own visa or passport and other entry documents well in advance of departure for fellowship. The fellow is also responsible for any immunizations suggested by the U.S. Department of State for the country of destination for the study program.



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