The Tour Guide Program

 The Bethlehem Bible College Tour Guide Program began in 1998 and exists to better serve the Palestinian and international communities by offering a unique Bible centered curriculum taught in English. At the same time, it takes into consideration the new trends in Tourism; Eco-Tourism, Community Based Tourism...etc



Bible Centered Curriculum



Political Tourism

Eco Tourism

Community Based Tourism • The curriculum provides <u>professional training</u>, <u>education and practical preparation</u> to tour guides for the Holy Land. These guides can then meet the needs of those who visit the Holy Land by providing <u>inspirational</u> <u>and informative guided tours</u>.



Bible Centered Curriculum



Professional Training



Practical Preparation



Information and Inspiration

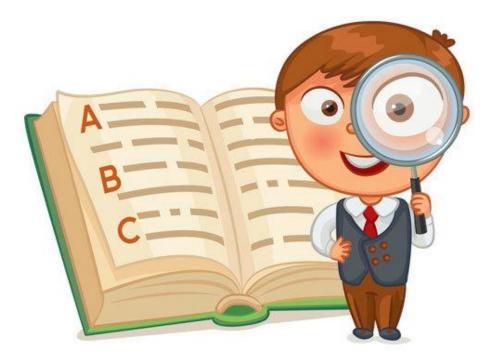


• At the same time, it will offer young Palestinians many new **job opportunities** and allow them to discover their own heritage, while also **acting as ambassadors** of their own people and culture to international visitors.



Vision

"To provide students with best knowledge possible that is based on <u>Site Encyclopedic approach</u> that could create a <u>walking encyclopedias</u> out of them, filled with biblical inspiration"



Requirements

- Good Knowledge of English Language
- Prefer to have Diploma or BA degree
- General Examination "Tawjihi" Certificate
- Has the needed passion and interest to study Tour Guiding
- Pass the oral interview in front of the committee

Process of Admission

Phase 1

Applicants

Short List of Nominees

Phase 2

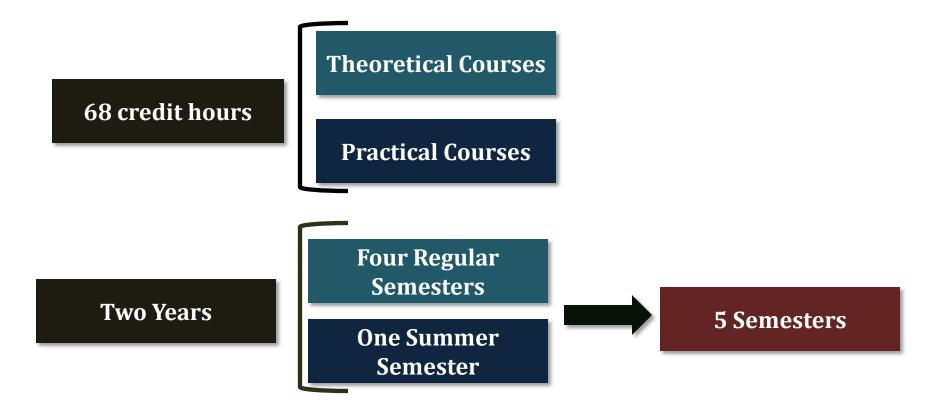
Interview (in English) with short listed Nominees

Accepted Students

Accepted

Description of the Program

 The program consist of 68 credit hours, that combined theory and practical courses. Its taught in two years and includes 4 semesters and 1 summer semester:



Study Plan

History and Archaeology courses (Sites)

- Introduction to Archaeology
- •Archaeology and History of Palestine I
- •Archaeology and History of Palestine II
- Archaeology and History of Palestine III
- Archaeology and History of Palestine IV
- •Iconography and Symbolism

Religion Courses

- Introduction to Judaism
- •Introduction to Islam
- Introduction to Christianity

Practical Training courses

- •Field Trips (1)
- •Field Trips (2)
- •Field Trips (3)
- Ethics of Guiding

Biblical Courses

- •Old Testament I
- •Old Testament II
- New Testament I
- New Testament I

Natural Science Courses

- •Flora and Fauna
- Introduction to

Geography of Palestine

Introduction to Geology



- Palestinian Society
- •Introduction to Political Science
- •Modern and Contemporary History of Palestine
- Tourism and Advocacy