



ARCHLABS 2023

Summer School

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL HERITAGE
IN LATE ANTIQUE AND BYZANTINE
SICILY**

Piazza Armerina (EN)
31st May, 5th - 18th June 2023

Erasmus Plus BIP
“Blended Intensive Program”



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Online (Google Meet Platform), 31st May, 2023
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Expected number of students: max 25

Teaching language: English

Description: The Summer School will deal with housing in late antique Sicily, with particular focus on the aristocratic Villa of Piazza Armerina. It takes an approach based on digital techniques for investigation, survey, data collection, management and 3D reconstruction of archaeological records. The aim is to provide a learning opportunity that combines theory with practice adopting the whole range of state-of-the-art methodologies suitable for archaeological practice and research. It will be held in the exceptional context of the Villa of Piazza Armerina, which will be used as a teaching model of excellence.

Expected outcomes:

- Gain a solid grounding in archaeological theory and practice;
- Undertake hands-on technical training in multiple archaeological-related subjects, supported by workshops and on-site instruction;
- Develop skills in cutting-edge digital technologies for archaeological excavation and recording techniques;
- Advance in the understanding of the full excavation process, documentation, and record keeping;
- Develop reflective practice and the ability to connect

material culture with the archaeological context;
- Improve organizational, teamwork and collaboration skills.

Learning and teaching methods: Fieldwork will take place in Piazza Armerina and will foresee on-site activities and practical workshops on the history and archaeology of Late Antique Sicily, methods of archaeological investigation, digital survey, hands-on practice with material culture, restoration techniques and best practices for archaeological data management.

A virtual seminar on the general topics of the Summer School is planned to take place via streaming on May 26th.

Institutions involved: University of Bologna; Parco archeologico di Morgantina e della Villa Romana del Casale di Piazza Armerina; CNR, Istituto di Scienze del Patrimonio Culturale (ISPC), Rome and Lecce; Open University, Cyprus; Soprintendenza BB.CC.AA. di Enna; Stockholm University; Kapodistrian University of Athens; University of Enna “Kore”; Jagiellonian University in Kraków; University of Oviedo; University of Peloponnese; University Pablo de Olavide, Sevilla; University of South Florida; Wrocław University of Science and Technology.

Accommodation in hotel with half board and packed lunch will be available in Piazza Armerina at Villa Romana Hotel. Bus transfer from the city to the Villa will be provided.

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Teaching staff:

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Virtual seminar (May 31st, 2023)

Google Meet Platform: <https://meet.google.com/jvp-msps-vcv>
(GMT+02:00; CEST - Rome)

15.30 - 16.00: I. Baldini, *The Summer School and BIP programme: an introduction to ARCHLABS2.*

16.00 - 16.30: P. Barresi, *Archaeological researches in the Villa of Piazza Armerina.*

16.30 - 17.00: C. Sfameni, *An overview about late antique villas in Italy.*

17.00 - 17.30: I. Baldini, *The decorative programme of the Villa.*

17.30 - 18.00: F. Cardinale, S. Hassam, K. Kingsland, C. Lamanna, G. Marsili, *Methodological and practical tips for archaeological fieldwork in Piazza Armerina.*

18.00 - 18.30: Questions & Answers

Programme

	Morning		Afternoon		
4/6 S	Arrival		Check-in		20.30 Welcome dinner
5/6 M	8.30-13 Palazzo Trigona, introduction to the Summer School (I. Baldini, L. Calascibetta). Visit to the Museum (P. Barresi) - Visit to the city of Piazza Armerina	13-16 Light lunch (in hotel), free time	16-18 Visit of the Villa (P. Barresi, C. Sfameni)		Dinner in hotel
6/6 T	8-13 Excavation practice, group A; workshop on material culture, group B (G. Marsili)	13-14.30 Light lunch	14.30-16.30 Excavation practice, group B; workshop on material culture, group A (G. Marsili)	16.30-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
7/6 W	8-13 Excavation practice, group A; workshop on 3D scan and reconstruction of archaeological findings, group B (S. Hassam, K. Kingsland)	13-16 Light lunch, return to Piazza Armerina, free time	16-18 Lessons at Palazzo Trigona: A. Karivieri, <i>Roman villas before the 4th century - private houses and imperial residences in their historical context</i> ; D. Tanasi, <i>3D digitization of archaeological heritage: advantages and disadvantages</i>	18-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
8/6 T	8-13 Excavation practice, group B; workshop on 3D scan and reconstruction of archaeological findings, group A (S. Hassam, K. Kingsland)	13-14.30 Light lunch	14.30-16.30 Excavation practice, group A; workshop on wall stratigraphy analysis, group B (C. Lamanna)	16.30-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
9/6 F	8-13 Excavation practice, group B; workshop on wall stratigraphy analysis, group A (C. Lamanna)	13-16 Light lunch, return to Piazza Armerina, free time	16-18 Lessons at Palazzo Trigona: D. Piay Augusto, <i>Villae in the Roman province of Gallaeicia</i> ; G. Deligiannakis, <i>Aspects of convivial culture from late antique mansions from Cyprus and beyond</i>	18-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel

10/6 S	8-13 Excavation practice	13-14.30 Light lunch	Free time		
11/6 S	Trip to Syracuse: visit of the city and performance of Aristophane' <i>La Pace</i> at the Greek Theatre (<u>optional, personal cost</u>)				
12/6 M	8-13 Excavation practice, group A; workshop on photoscanning, group B (R. Czerner)	13-16 Light lunch, return to Piazza Armerina, free time	16-18 Lessons at Palazzo Trigona: G. Bąkowska-Czerner and R. Czerner, <i>Housing in Roman Egypt. Two Towns of the Mediterranean Coast</i> ; P. Petridis, <i>Domestic architecture in Greece</i>	18-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
13/6 T	8-13 Excavation practice, group B; workshop on photoscanning, group A (R. Czerner)	13-14.30 Light lunch	14.30-16.30 Excavation practice, group A; workshop on architectural survey with total station, group B (C. Lamanna)	16.30-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
14/6 W	8-13 Excavation practice, group B; workshop on architectural survey with total station, group A (C. Lamanna)	13-16 Light lunch, return to Piazza Armerina, free time	16-18 Lessons at Palazzo Trigona: S. Cosentino, <i>The Villa and public administration</i> ; M. Xanthopoulou, <i>Cooking and dining in the Late Antique house</i>	18-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
15/6 T	8-13 Excavation practice, group A; workshop on material culture from 2023 excavations, group B (G. Marsili)	13-14.30 Light lunch	14.30-16.30 Excavation practice, group B; workshop on material culture from 2023 excavations, group A (G. Marsili)	16.30-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel

16/6 F	8-13 Excavation practice, groups A-B	13-14.30 Light lunch	14.30-16.30 Field activities with georadar and electromagnetic data acquisition, groups A-B (G. Leucci)	16.30-20 Free Time	Dinner in hotel
17/6 S	8-13 Excavation practice, groups A-B	13-16.30 Light lunch, return to Piazza Armerina, free time	16.30-17.00 Lessons at Palazzo Trigona: G. Torrini, S. Rossi, <i>Piazza Armerina survey: preliminary results.</i> 17-19 Conclusion of the Summer School	18-20 Free time	Goodbye dinner
18/6 S	Departure				

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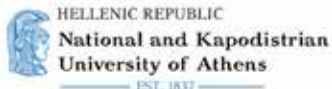
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