





Ignatius of Loyola and the Holy Land

(AS2178 - 5 ECTS credits) July 5th-16th 2025

Seminar organized by the Journal Board, in collaboration with the Jesuits of Jerusalem

Aims

Through the study of the history of Jerusalem in Ottoman times and the knowledge of the holy places visited by St. Ignatius in 1523, the seminar aims to familiarize the student with the elaboration of the principles of St. Ignatius of Loyola's spirituality and pedagogy that go back to the experience of his pilgrimage.

Learning outcomes

At the end of the seminar the student will be able to know how St. Ignatius' pilgrimage to the Holy Land and the historical context of that time helped to define certain characteristics of Ignatian spirituality and pedagogy as described in Ignatian sources, especially in the texts of the Autobiography and the Spiritual Exercises. The student will also be able to discern the actualization of these characteristics in different historical periods.



Content

During the course of the seminar, the main issues on the history of Jerusalem, its churches and the communities that populated it in Ottoman times will be presented. In addition, the peculiarities of St. Ignatius' experience in the most significant places in the holy land will be studied, as can be discerned in the sources of Ignatian spirituality.

The seminar is conducted through classroom lectures and guided tours of holy sites

Registration is open until Jan. 24, 2025

The cost for participation is 1.500,00 USD, travel expenses excluded Financial aid may be granted within the limits of availability

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Program

	Morning	Afternoon
Saturday, July 5		Arrival
Sunday, July 6 (Day 1) Jerusalem	Introduction to the Program (M.A. Garcia and P. Di Luccio) Introduction to the Lectures: The Holy Places and the Spirituality of saint Ignatius Jerusalem in the Ottoman Empire (R. Pinto and P. Oberholzer) Practical visit to the Old City for exchange, Sim cards, Shuk, etc.	Old City: Walls, Wailing Wall, Via Dolorosa and Holy Sepulcher (P. Di Luccio)
Monday, July 7 (Day 2) Judah	Shepherd's Field, Bethlehem, Ein Kerem (P. Di Luccio)	Lectures (1) The Holy Places and the Spirituality of saint Ignatius (I): R. Pinto Jerusalem in the Ottoman empire (I): P. Oberholzer
Tuesday, July 8 (Day 3) Galilee 1 The Holy places of Galilee in the spirituality of saint Ignatius (I) (M.A. Garcia)	St. George in Kotsiba, Kasr Al Yahoud, Bet Alpha, Bet Shean – picnic, Yardenit, Magdala, Mass: Casa Nova-Tiberias	
Wednesday, July 9 (Day 4) Galilee 2 The Holy places of Galilee in the spirituality of saint Ignatius (II) (M.A. Garcia)	Tabgha, Primacy, Capernaum (Mass, Picnic) Beatitudes, Korazain-Geshur, El-Araj (Bethsaida), Casa Nova - Tiberias	
Thursday, July 10 (Day 5) Galilee 3 The Holy places of Galilee in the spirituality of saint Ignatius (III) (M.A. Garcia)	Tel Dan, Banias (Caesarea Philippi), Mass: Casa Nova, Tiberias	
Friday, July 11 (Day 6) Galilee 4 The Holy places of Galilee in the spirituality of saint Ignatius (IV) (M.A. Garcia)	Nazareth, Sepphoris, Caesarea maritima, Emmaus-Nicopolis, Mass: Jerusalem	

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Saturday, July 12 (Day 7) Jerusalem	Lectures (2) The Holy Places and the Spirituality of saint Ignatius (II): R. Pinto Jerusalem in the Ottoman Empire (II): P. Oberholzer	Old City: Mount Zion, Cenacle, Dormition, St Peter In Gall., St. Mark (P. Di Luccio)
Sunday, July 13 (Day 8) Trip to The Dead Sea (M.A. Garcia)	1.5	,
Monday, July 14 (Day 9) Jerusalem	Mass at the Calvary, Mount of Olives, Pater Noster, Ascension, Dominus Flevit, Getsemani, Virgin's Sepulcher, (P. Di Luccio)	Lectures (3) Holy Places and the Spirituality of saint Ignatius (III): R. Pinto The Holy Land in the Ottoman Empire (III): P. Oberholzer
Tuesday, July 15 (Day 10) Trip to Judah-Negev (M.A. Garcia)	Lachish, Beer-Sheba, Arad, Mamshit, Mass: Jerusalem	
Wednesday, July 16 (Day 11)		Departure

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