

DAILY TIME TEMPLATE

This is a draft of the times, depending on weather/temperature we may start/finish earlier. The length of the group instruction in the morning will obviously be much more the first couple of weeks.

Time	Description
7:00 am	Depart from Budicari by car
~ 7:15 am	Arrive at site/lab
7:30 am	Whole group meeting to discuss that day's intentions + Instructional presentation and onsite lectures (especially first two weeks, subsequently repeated with smaller groups, also more specific instruction to smaller groups)
8:00 am	Start fieldwork
10:00 am	Morning break (15 minutes)
12:15 pm	Lunch break (1 hour)
3:15 pm	Afternoon break (15 minutes)
4:30 pm	Start cleanup; submit notebooks
4:45 pm	Depart from site/lab to go to accommodations
5:00-7:00 pm	Time to shower, relax, shop, etc.
7:00 pm	Presentation/lecture/discussions (some of these will be in morning)
8:00 pm	Dinner time

This overall time of 10 hours away from accommodations includes:

30+ minutes travel time

90 minutes lunch and breaks

45 minutes morning discussion/instruction

7:15 actual work in the field/lab

Instructional presentations will include both large group and small group instruction

Plus: several formal lectures/presentations per week (in common room at place we stay, or lab/museum); informal group discussions (every evening before dinner)

The number of students/staff who will be in the lab the entire day will vary, while in other cases additional people will go to the lab in the afternoon depending on how much material has been found and needs to be processed, weather issues, etc. Which students are in the field vs. lab will continuously rotate.

OVERALL SCHEDULE - specific days/times may change

Thurs./Fri. May 22/23 Staff arrival
Sat./Sun. May 24/25 Students arrive, picked up at airport or train station
Sunday evening - group meeting, formal introductions, general discussion.

Week 1

Mon. morning - introduction to the Fiumedinisi project (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
morning - visit and tour of the site, town
afternoon - visit to lab (in adjacent town)
afternoon - introductory lecture on Sicilian prehistory (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
Tues. Instruction at site on gridding, site mapping (including GPS)
Instruction at site on surveying
Begin mapping, surveying
Afternoon - Introductory lecture on Sicilian history (Vianello)
Wed.-Fri. Instruction at site on excavation
Continue mapping, survey
Fri. eve. Summary of weekly accomplishments
Students submit notebook for review
Sat.-Sun. Optional visit to Naxos, Taormina, Mt. Etna

Week 2

Mon. morning - Presentation of weekly agenda (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
Instruction on cleaning, cataloging, labwork
field/lab work
Lecture on current issues in Sicilian archaeology (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
Tues. field/lab work
Lecture on ethics in archaeology (Lisa Kahn)
Wed. field/lab work
Lecture on faunal material and analysis (Villari)
Thurs. field/lab work
Lecture on paleobotany (Dominique de Moulins)
Fri. field/lab work
Fri. eve. Summary of weekly accomplishments
Students submit notebook for review
Sat.-Sun. Optional overnight visit to Piazza Armerina & Agrigento

Week 3

Mon. Presentation of weekly agenda (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
Instruction on soil sampling (Tykot & Bowers)
field/lab work
Lecture on phytolith studies (Bowers)
Tues. field/lab work
Lecture on ceramic materials and analysis (Wissinger)
Wed. field/lab work
Lab instruction on refitting ceramics
Thurs. field/lab work
Lecture on human remains and analysis (Markovics)
Fri. eve. field/lab work
Summary of weekly accomplishments
Students submit notebook for review
Sat.-Sun. Optional visit to Siracusa Museum & Thapsos

Week 4

- Mon. Presentation of weekly agenda (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
field/lab work
- Tues. field/lab work
Lecture on lithic materials and analysis (Tykot)
- Wed. field/lab work
Lab instruction on use of portable XRF (Tykot)
- Thurs. field/lab work
Lecture on metal finds and analysis (Tykot)
- Fri. field/lab work
- Fri. eve. Summary of weekly accomplishments (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
Students submit notebook for review
- Sat.-Sun. Optional overnight visit to Lipari

Week 5

- Mon. Presentation of weekly agenda (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
field/lab work
- Tues. field/lab work
- Wed. field/lab work
- Thurs. field/lab work
- Thurs. eve. Summary of accomplishments (Tykot, Villari, Vianello)
End of season party
- Fri. Final day in field/lab
Students submit notebook for final review
- Sat. Transport to Catania airport for departures