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<https://archive.archaeology.org/1001/topten/crete.html>



This field school is a unique experience in bioarchaeology and history at the Archaic to Classical period burial ground of Orthi Petra, and the ProtoByzantine Basilica site and burials of St. Eirini in Eleutherna of Rethymno in Crete <https://archive.archaeology.org/online/features/eleutherna/interview.html> <https://www.archaeology.org/issues/310-1809/trenches/6871-trenches-crete-eleutherna-ceramicist>.

Additionally, we are working with the Neolithic (6th mill.) Aposelemis site skeletal collection. The project is based at the archaeological sites and Museum of Eleutherna in Rethymnon. Along with our research, and tied into the regional mosaic of mythology, history, and human ecology guided tours to ancient sites include the Idaean cave of Zeus, the Minoan palatial site of Knossos, archaeological Museums, and significant sites and landmarks from Minoan to Venetian periods from the north to the south shores of Crete; including the old towns of Rethymnon, and Chania. As part of an important component of the field school we participate in many local cultural events of art, music and dance, traditional ways of ceramic production, in sheep shearing and cheese making events, the exploration of medicinal and culinary uses of regional plants in the splendors of the Cretan diet, while also trekking the beautiful E4 pathways within the national archaeological park of Eleutherna.

The experience and hands on training of this course will enhance and inspire in depth studies in Bioarchaeology/Paleopathology, History, Ancient Religion, Burial Customs, and the Classics.

The project covers all local transportation, all group excursions and fees, room and board. The project requires participation in a team effort, and ability to work in complex archaeological contexts and lab activities. Preference is given to students in Bioarchaeology, History/Classics, Human Ecology, and Museum Studies.

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