

2016 Itinerary Overview

Sunday May 15, 2016 New York, NY

- Students arrive in New York / Check into hotel -
- Orientation
- Group Welcome Dinner

Monday May 16, 2016 New York, NY

- Debrief with the Executive Office of the UN Secretary General, Asif Khan
- Debrief with the Security Council Report, Ian Martin
- Debrief with Human Rights Watch, Sarah Leah Whitson
- Depart for Oman

Wednesday May 18, 2016

- Arrive in Muscat, Oman
- Shopping visit to the Muttrah Souk
- Traditional Omani welcome dinner - hosted by Sheikh Fahad Abdullah Ali Al-Araimi, CEO - Al Raid Group

Thursday May 19, 2016

- Audience with HE Abdul Aziz Al-Rowas, HM's Advisor for Cultural Affairs
- Grand Mosque guided tour and talk
- Informal Buffet Lunch at the Diplomatic Club, joined by Ali Bin Fahad Al-Hajri, Qatari ambassador to Oman and the former Afghanistan Ambassador Azim Nasser Zia.
- Group dinner Traditional Omani dinner - HE Sheikh Abdulla Al-Rowas, with current and former US Ambassadors Marc Sievers and Richard Baltimore, respectively.

Friday May 20, 2016

- Orientation with Ahmed Al Mukaini, expert with the Oman State Council.
- Ride up Jebal Aktar plateau and spend the night
- Hike and explore villages

Saturday May 21, 2016

- Hike and explore villages
- Free time

Sunday May 22, 2016

- Drive back to Muscat
- Collect luggage from the hotel
- Depart to UAE
- Walking Tour of Bastakiah the local Souk, Dubai

Monday May 23, 2016

- Rym Ghazal, Senior Feature Writer/Columnist - The National Newspaper
- Bus Departs to Dubai Mall
- At the Top Burj Khalifa

Tuesday May 24, 2016

- Bus Departs to Al Qasba
- AMCA Conference, meeting with Sheikh Sultan Suood Al-Qassem
- Barjeel Art Museum
- Konstantina Sakellariou, Author/Chief Initiator – Transformational Journeys

Wednesday May 25, 2016

- Bus Departs to Oasis Tower - JBR
- Orient Research Centre, conference with Dr. Samir Altaqi, Dr. Ahmed Barqawi, Dr. Mohammed Baharoun, and Dr. Sam Dalla
- Nabeel Alkhateeb - Alarabya
- Expat-Connect and network

Thursday May 26, 2016

- Tour of Masdar City
- Guided Tour – Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque
- Tour of Emirates Palace
- Dinner with Adnan Pachachi, Former Minister of State

Friday May 27, 2016

- Airport Welcome and Visa Arrangements, Jordan
- Drive to the hotel with a tour guide
- Rainbow Street, walking tour guide with Rania

Saturday May 28, 2016

- Tour of The Citadel & Roman Amphitheatre and West Amman
- Shopping at the local Souk

Sunday May 29, 2016

- Check out and depart to Wadi Rum
- Activities and sunset tour

Monday May 30, 2016

- Bus departs to Petra
- Walking tour of Petra

Tuesday May 31, 2016

- Petra sunrise and hiking activities
- Check out and depart to Amman

- Abdelilah Al Khatib, Former Prime Minister of Foreign Affairs – Jordan

Wednesday June 1, 2016

- UN OCHA, Briefing on Syria, Ana Nikonorow
- ICSS, Briefing on Iraq by Mouayad Alwindawi, Sadoun Al-Zubaydi
- Tour of The Citadel & Roman Amphitheatre and West Amman

Thursday June 2, 2016

- Emile Cubeisy – Silicon Badia
- Ali Dehmesh – Under my Olive Tree/Reach 2.0/Social Media
- Mostafa Salameh – Climber
- Hassan abu Haniah

Friday June 3, 2016

- Check out and depart to Tel Aviv
- Meeting with Dan Rothem, the S. Daniel Abraham Center for Middle East Peace
- Meeting with William Grant, Deputy Chief of Mission
- “Start-Up-Nation” Tour of Rothschild Hub with Ryan Daniels and Athena Karp, Co-Founder of Hired Score

Saturday June 4, 2016

- Walking tour of Tel Aviv with Ilan Shchori

Sunday June 5, 2016

- Guide tour of Rawabi and meeting with Bashar Al-Masri
- Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research, Dr. Khalil Shikaki
- Discussion with Ghassan Khatib, Birzeit University
- Tour and visit – Jalazon Refugee Camp, Nidal Rafa

Monday June 6, 2016

- Odeh Qarareen – Founder and CEO of iphase
- Barakabits/Social Incubators and entrepreneurship
- Charles Shamas & Susan Rockwell – Mattin Group

Tuesday June 7, 2016

- Visit Bialik Rogazin School and meet with Eli Nechama, principal
- Walking tour of Louise Khan’s Tel Aviv

Wednesday June 8, 2016

- Visit Efrat with Mayor Oded Revivi, Esq
- Discussion with Rav Shlomo Vilc, the Rosh Machanaim
- Discussion with members of Hesider Yeshiva that combines service with Torah Study
- Peace Now settlement watch tour with Hagit Ofran

Thursday June 9, 2016

- Tour of the old city with Avi Ben-Hur, Scholar, Guide & Lecturer
- Akiva Tor – Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Sara Haetzni Cohen – Chairwoman of NGO Yisrael Sheli (My Israel)

Friday June 10, 2016

- Walking Tour of Jerusalem with Avi Ben Hur
- Yossi Alpher – former MOSSAD intelligence analyst and former director of Jaffa Center for Strategic Studies

Saturday June 11, 2016

Honoring the Shabbat

Sunday June 12, 2016

Honoring the Shavuot

Monday June 13, 2016

- Yad Vashem
- Yossi Vardi, the pioneer of Israel Start –Up-Nation
- Yossi Klein Halevi – esteemed author, co-Director of the Muslim Leadership Initiative of the Shalom Hartman Institute
- Moshe Halbertal – noted Israeli Jewish Orthodox Philosopher, Professor of Jewish Thought and Philosophy at Hebrew University, an author of the IDF Code of Ethics

Tuesday June 14, 2016

- Visit Bahai Gardens, Haifa
- The Mossawa Center, Advocacy Center for Arab Citizens in Israel
- Dalya Arussy – former Fellow of the Ibrahim/QC Middle East Program and graduate student in architecture at Technion, with other peers

Wednesday June 15, 2016

- Depart Israel