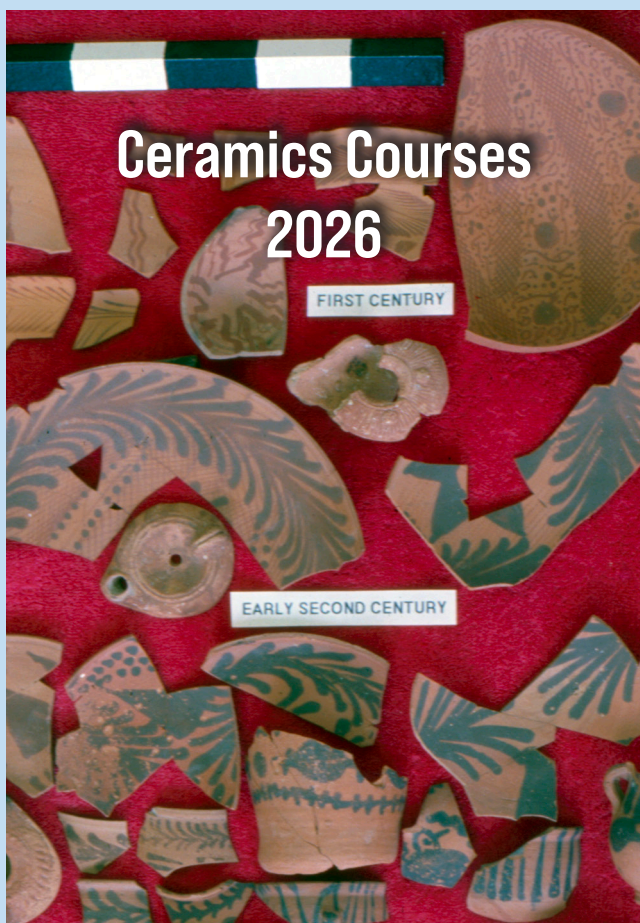


# The American Center of Research

## Ceramics Courses 2026



The American Center of Research is an American nonprofit with a facility in Amman, Jordan, where people with curiosity can come together.

# Introduction to Classical Period Ceramics of Southern Jordan and Northern Saudi Arabia

Instructor:  
Dr. Sarah Wenner



## ADVANCED COURSE:

May 16–June 3,  
2026

Humayma, Jordan

(Students will need to provide their own lodging and transportation to and from the site.)

*(Few openings are available for this course.)*

## INTRODUCTORY COURSE:

July 12–30,  
2026

Amman, Jordan

(Accommodations will be available at The Residences at the American Center of Research.)



- ♦ **Advanced:** for students with ceramics experience in Jordan or elsewhere.
- ♦ **Introductory:** open to anyone who has taken at least one university-level archaeology, history, or anthropology course; others may inquire.

Each of these intensive courses introduces approaches to the study of ancient ceramics through a combination of literary review and hands-on experience with a select ceramic assemblage. This will include work toward the analysis and publication of an excavated assemblage, from the initial sorting through to the materials' publication.



Application deadline: March 15, 2026

For more details and how to apply, visit:



**By the end of either course, students will be able to:**

- ◇ articulate the basic qualitative and quantitative approaches to the study of ancient ceramics
- ◇ detail the benefits and drawbacks of different approaches to ceramic study
- ◇ evaluate the most important publications for the analysis of ceramics, as well as the ceramics of southern Jordan and northern Saudi Arabia
- ◇ sort sherds by fabric, vessel form, and part
- ◇ identify published parallels for Classical period sherds from southern Jordan
- ◇ draw and digitize the drawings of ancient sherds (no previous drawing experience or artistic ability necessary before the course!)
- ◇ perform a basic quantitative analysis of a ceramic assemblage





**ACOR is a U.S. nonprofit educational and scientific organization, established in 1968.**

**Our mission is advancing knowledge of Jordan and the interconnected region, past and present.**



**Bringing people, communities, and cultures together!**

**[acorjordan.org](http://acorjordan.org)**