

Post-Doctoral Fellowship Announcement

The Alalakh (Tell Atchana) Excavations has been funded to award a year-long post doctoral fellowship for the study of its local ceramics as part of our renewed campaign co-sponsored by the Republic of Turkey Ministry of Culture and Tourism and the Mustafa Kemal University of Antakya. Preference will be given to applicants familiar with Southern Anatolian/Northern Levantine ceramic repertoires. The recipient of the fellowship would be expected to be in residence in the Alalakh dig house compound in Antakya for at least four months which would include two months during the excavation season (July 15-September 15, 2007) and a two month study season.

Although the fellowship is presently for one year starting in June 2007, there is a very strong possibility that the recipient would continue in future excavation seasons (with a stipend) as a permanent member of the Alalakh ceramic team and with the responsibility of studying the local wares for publication. The recipient of the fellowship would be expected to visit excavations and museums in Turkey and Syria for ceramic comparisons. Some relevant collections would be from excavations at Tarsus, Mersin, Kinet, Sirkeli and Tilmen in Turkey and Ras Shamra, Qatna and Ebla in Syria among others.

The stipend will be \$23,000 plus airfare (not exceeding \$25,000). Since Turkish Embassy security forms for non-Turkish participants of excavations must be submitted by the end of this year, the applicants are asked to fill out the Research Permit Application Kit forms available at <http://www.turkey.org> and send them to the address below or by email attachment by December 15. Please include a statement of purpose, an updated cv and names of three references.

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