

Fact Sheet and Practical Information
International Staff Training Week at Birzeit University
6-10 April, 2020

Name	BIRZEIT UNIVERSITY
Full Address of BZU	Birzeit University Al - Marj Street Birzeit, Palestine, 627 PALESTINE
Website/Facebook page(s)	www.birzeit.edu https://www.facebook.com/BirzeitUniversity/
Year of Establishment	1972

Birzeit University [BZU] is Palestine’s first independent not-for-profit institution of higher education governed by an autonomous Board of Trustees. It embodies a success story, inspirational to all Palestinians. Since 1972, BZU has grown to become a leading university in the Middle East, on par with the very best. The University is committed to maintaining excellence in teaching and learning and advancing knowledge through scientific research and civic engagement. Our distinguished faculty combine scholarship and professional experience as former officials, diplomats, professionals, researchers, and scientists. Our students come from diverse backgrounds made possible by the university’s commitment to provide equal opportunities for deserving individuals. Nowadays BZU comprises 9 faculties offering 76 undergraduate programs, 32 Master programs, one interdisciplinary Doctorate Program in the Social Sciences launched in 2014/2015, 2 diploma programs, and 1 program for foreign students.

Birzeit is also home to 11 institutes and centres that support community oriented programs geared towards training, capacity building, research and maintaining sustainable development in Palestine. BZU has student body of approximately 14,800 students of which about 2,809 are graduate students and full time faculty members of 440, as in the academic year 2019 – 2020.

Faculties

- 1) **Art and Music**
- 2) **Arts**
- 3) **Business and Economics**
- 4) **Education**
- 5) **Engineering and Technology**
- 6) **Graduate Studies**
- 7) **Law and Public Administration**
- 8) **Pharmacy, Nursing and Health Professions**
- 9) **Science**

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Some Practical Information

Travelling to Palestine	http://visitpalestine.ps/travelling-to-palestine/
Get to Birzeit University	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/visit
BZU Campus Map	http://www.birzeit.edu/sites/default/files/bzu_campus_map-english-beige.pdf
Academic Programs	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/study/programs
Academic Calendar	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/study/academic-calendar

Useful web pages

BZU Facts and Figures	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/about/facts
Office of External Academic Relations	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/about/external-relations
Erasmus +	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/about/external-relations/erasmus
European partners	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/about/external-relations/erasmus/international-partners

Students experience	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/about/external-relations/erasmus/video-section
Palestine and Arabic Studies Program (PAS)	http://sites.birzeit.edu/pas/
International Summer Work Camp 2018	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/students/iswc
Services & Facilities	http://www.birzeit.edu/en/students/services-facilities

HOW TO GET Birzeit University

- **From the airport to Jerusalem:** Take a Nasher (shared) Taxi (\$15-\$20, about one hour drive) from the airport (there are clear signs immediately after you leave the arrival hall) and ask the driver to drop you at Damascus Gate.

- **From Jerusalem to Ramallah:**
 - **By Taxi**
Take private taxi from Damascus gate all the way to Ramallah for around 200 ILS.
 - **By Bus**
Take the number 18 white mini-buses from the bus stop near the Jerusalem Hotel on Nablus Road (up a long block from Damascus Gate) to the Ramallah in the center of town. Before you board, make sure to ask the bus driver if he goes all the way to Ramallah and make sure you get on the right bus. (Cost is around 10 Israeli Shekels - Travel time: 40-45 minutes.). Expect delays at Qalandia crossing where Israelis might conduct a security check on some or all of the bus passenger, or simply from traffic.

- **From Ramallah to Birzeit University:**
From the central bus stop, walk one block southwest to *AL-Manara Circle* and from there ask for directions to the Birzeit University taxis parking lot, near KFC Restaurant and Qasr Al- Alhambra Palace Hotel Suites, (Cost: 5 ILS – Travel time: 15- 20 minutes, Taxi cost around 40 ILS).

Hotels in Ramallah

Below you have some good offers for hotels in Ramallah:

Option 1:

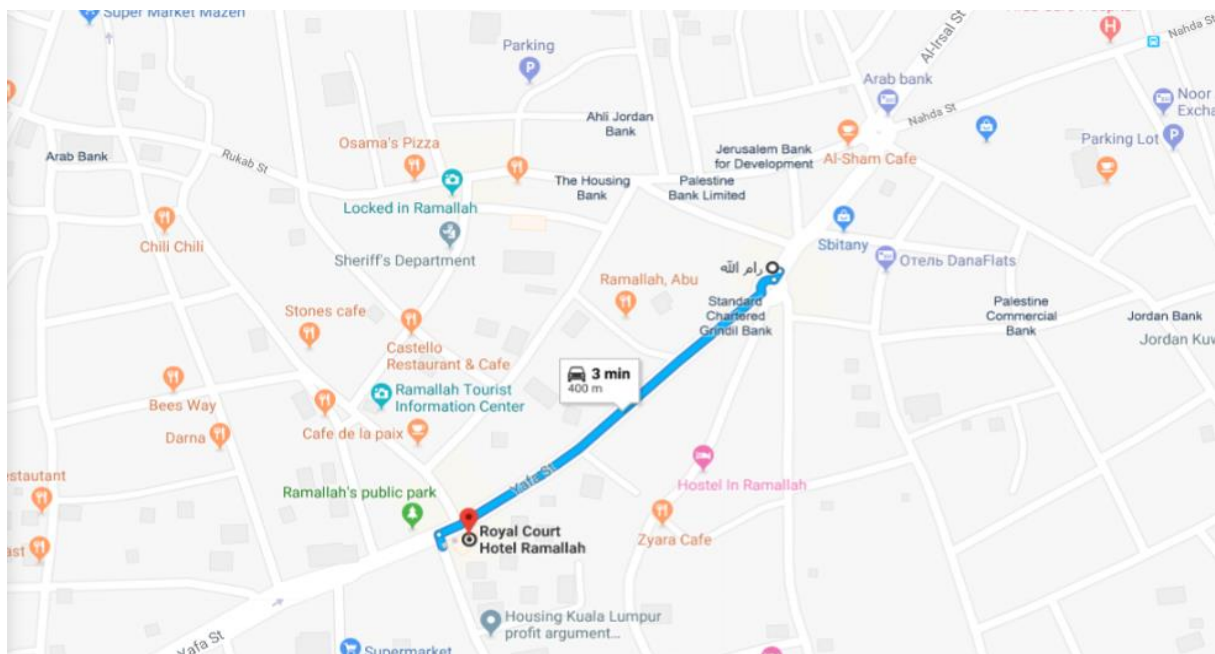
Royal Court Hotel

Hotel website: www.rcshotel.com

Room Type	Hotel Rack Rate		Special Corp. Rate	
	BB		BB	
	Single	Double	Single	Double
Deluxe Room	390 ILS	430 ILS	290 ILS	340 ILS
Premium Room	475 ILS	520 ILS	340 ILS	380 ILS
Junior Suite	560 ILS	610 ILS	450 ILS	500 ILS

For all your reservation kindly send an e-mail to (info@rcshotel.com)

Map to Hotel:



Option 2:

Alhambra Palace Hotel Suites

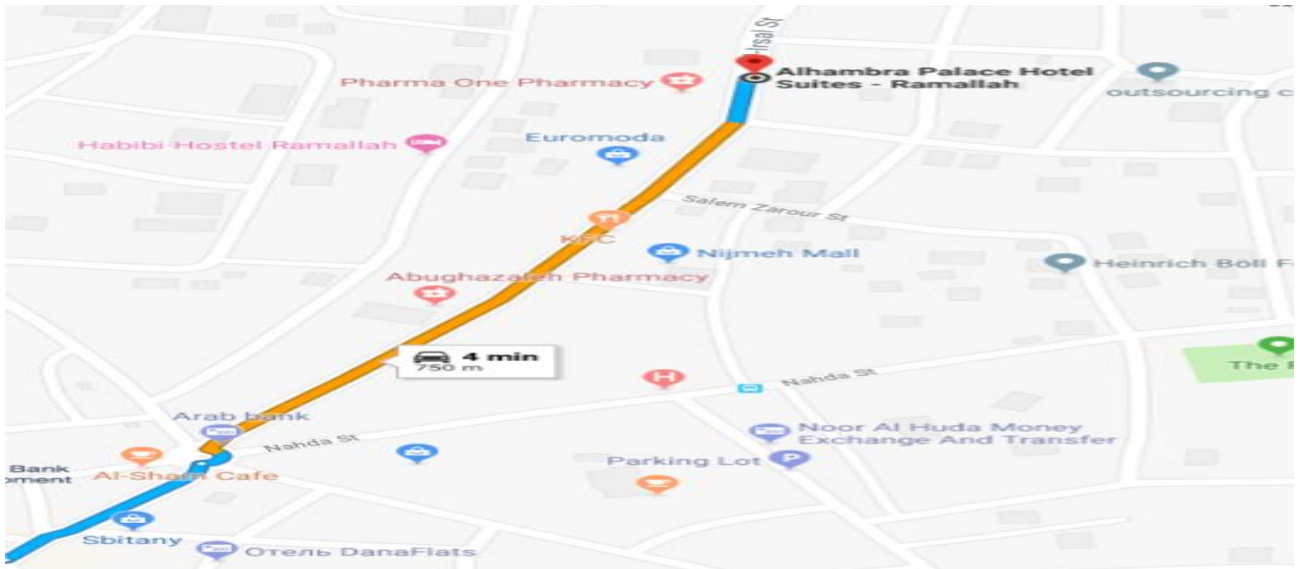
Hotel website <http://www.alhambra-palace-hotel.com/>

Room Type	Hotel Rack Rate
BB	

	Single	Double
Standard	\$70	\$100

For all your reservation kindly send an e-mail to (alhambrapalace1@gmail.com)

Map to Hotel:



If you find a suitable room for you, please contact the hotel directly in order to make a reservation.

Option3:

Some other hotels:

- Ankars Hotel : <http://www.ankars.ps/>
- Beauty INN Hotel: <http://www.beautyinn.ps/>
- Best Eastern Hotel :<http://www.besteasternhotels.com/>
- Caesar Hotel :<http://www.caesar-hotel.ps/>

If you find a suitable room for you, please contact the hotel directly in order to make a reservation.

Maps to Birzeit University

Birzeit University's campus [is located on](#) the outskirts of the West Bank town of Birzeit on a hilltop that provides a panoramic view of the surrounding landscape. Its stone buildings blend naturally with the terrain, giving the campus its own special character. Built entirely from donations and sponsorship from Palestine, the Arab world, and abroad, the campus is itself a story of success and a reflection of the confidence of the donor community in the university.

