



# BLOOMSBURY SUMMER SCHOOL

## BSS IN EGYPT 2019

### *Ancient Egyptian Astronomy*

A course in Egypt taught by Dr Bernadette Brady

28 October – 4 November 2019

**A NEW course taught in Luxor by Dr Bernadette Brady, with daily lectures and related visits to fascinating ancient sites, including 3 'special openings' of sites usually closed to visitors.**

Combining lectures in the historic Winter Palace Hotel and relevant site visits in and near Luxor, we bring you our first ever course on Ancient Egyptian Astronomy. Bloomsbury Summer School has a long-held reputation for providing popular short courses at UCL in London, and for the past ten years at different locations in Egypt. The Ancient Egyptians were keen sky observers and mythologised naked-eye astronomy, using it to inform their stellar theology, and provide them with the tools for precision geometry. This exciting new course will explore the Ancient Egyptian blend of sky theology, mythology, stars and planets.

Our Course Director, **Dr Bernadette Brady** is a well known Cultural Astronomer based at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David. Our Tour Coordinator in Egypt is **Galal Aisenusy** who has arranged all eleven of our BSS in Egypt courses to date. Our Course Coordinator in Egypt is **Lucia Gahlin**, Co-Director of Bloomsbury Summer School.

**Course fee: £3340** (Single Supplement: £200).

To secure your place, please send us a deposit of £500 (non-returnable unless the tour is cancelled by Egypt Archaeological Tours due to circumstances beyond their control) & the booking form on reverse.

- Day 1: Fly from Heathrow to Luxor. Check in to the 5\* Winter Palace Garden Pavilion for 7 nights.
- Day 2: Visit **Karnak Temples of Amun, Khonsu and Mut**, and **Karnak Open Air Museum**.  
Group Lunch.  
Session 1: *The Role of Ancient Egyptian Astronomy: the stars, planets and the sun in shaping the Ancient Egyptian view of the divine.*  
Welcome Dinner.
- Day 3: Visit **Luxor Museum** and **Esna Temple**.  
Group Packed Lunch.  
Session 2: *The Sun, Ra: Fifth Dynasty solar temples, obelisks and the solar disk of Akhenaten.*  
Session 3: *Middle Kingdom and Time: Counting the Days and Counting the Hours.*
- Day 4: Visit **Amenhotep III Temple Conservation Project, Kom el-Hettan [special opening]**, the **Ramesseum, Tomb of Nakht, 'Astronomer of Amun' (TT52)**.  
Group Lunch.  
Session 4: *The New Kingdom: the astronomical ceiling of Senenmut.*  
Session 5: *The New Kingdom and a Different View of the Sky and the Divine: the sacred Books of the Sky.*
- Day 5: Visit **Hatshepsut's Temple** and the **Tomb of Senenmut (TT353) [special opening]**, both at Deir el-Bahri, **Tomb of Montuemhat (TT34) [special opening]**.  
Group Lunch.  
Session 6: *The Astronomical Ceiling of Seti I and its Context within the Iconography of the Sacred Sky Books.*  
Session 7: *The Ramesside Star Clocks and their Association with the Senenmut Ceiling*
- Day 6: Visit **Valley of the Kings: Tomb of Seti I (KV17) [special ticket]**, and as many of these tombs as are open on the day: **Tausret & Sethnakht (KV14), Ramesses III (KV11), Ramesses IV (KV2), Ramesses VI (KV9), Ramesses VII (KV1) and Ramesses IX (KV6)**.  
Group lunch.  
Session 8: *The Clash of Sky Views: Greek zodiac thinking with the Egyptian sacred sky.*  
Session 9: *The Dendera Zodiacs.*
- Day 7: Visit **Dendera Temple**.  
Group Packed Lunch.  
Session 10: *The Legacy of Ancient Egyptian Astronomy to the Modern World.*  
Farewell Dinner.
- Day 8: Fly from Luxor to Heathrow.

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**The price of this tour includes:** international  
flights from Heathrow with EgyptAir in economy  
class; all transport in Egypt; 5\* accommodation  
(with breakfasts); all lectures and guided tours;  
entrance to all sites; **3 special openings of sites  
usually closed to visitors**; 2 group dinners, 6  
group lunches (2 of which will be a packed lunch);  
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