

# Facilities & Accommodation

## Accommodation in Gadachrili Gora



Student accommodation will be in farmhouses in a local village near the site. Sleeping arrangements will have students living in a dorm-style room segregated by gender.

- Electrical current runs at 220 volts. Please bring a 2-prong round-pin adapter for any electronics that that requires an outlet.
- Arrangements will be made to provide access to hand-washing laundry facilities, but the washing of laundry will remain the responsibility of each student.
- Internet (wifi) available

## Living in Residence

If you have never lived in shared accommodations, you can look forward to a unique experience! It can add to your adventure in Georgia, but it can also be an adjustment for some students as notions of personal space, cleanliness, and service may vary. Sinks may back up, water pressure may not be the same as you have at home, and it can be noisier than you expect. There may be some inconveniences or discomfort living in a shared space but there are also many wonderful and rewarding aspects.

Please note that the buildings tend to be older and will differ from North American standards, rules and regulations. Expect the following:

- Not as clean as you may be used to (but you can help with that!)
- No air-conditioning
- No screens on the windows
- Older services that may break down (e.g., hot water may not always be available, toilets and drains may back up)
- Restricted water supply. Water doesn't run all the time in Georgia and it **must** be used very conservatively! It is possible that the residence accommodations will run out of water (especially hot water) and consequently we will all have to make do.
- Shared washroom facilities - (be considerate and quick!)
- If you withdraw from the course/the program, you must leave the residence immediately and find your own accommodation in Georgia until your return flight; there are no refunds.



## Meals

- Breakfast, lunch (sandwiches, tomatoes, cucumbers, and fruit), and dinner will be provided 7 days a week.
- Occasionally you may wish to spend a free day outside of the dig house in Tbilisi or elsewhere, if this is the case, you are responsible for your own food, transportation, and lodging while away.
- The kitchen staff will make an effort to accommodate vegetarian diets (if required and notified ahead of time), but this may not always be possible. Vegan diets **cannot** be accommodated.

## Residence Rules & Behaviour

Students must adhere to terms and conditions as outlined in Section F of “Terms of Participation.” In addition to these, students are required to abide by any house rules established by the Directors. Students committing an offence will be issued written warnings by the on-site staff that clearly indicate the repercussions of a further transgression. In extreme cases a student may be expelled from residence. There will be no refund of any fees if you are evicted. Residence accommodation is not a right, but a privilege that will be withdrawn for just cause.

At the end of the program, prior to departure, your accommodation will be inspected for damages. If there are damages, you will be responsible for the **full cost** of the damages.

<b>Residence Information Sheet</b>	
<b>Residence Name</b>	GRAPE Dig House
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Building Information</b>	
<b>Porter</b>	N/A
<b>Self-entry</b>	Yes
<b>Security</b>	N/A
<b>Curfew</b>	10PM
<b>No. of floors</b>	2
<b>Total no. of rooms (approx.)</b>	10
<b>Other students/residence?</b>	No
<b>Elevator</b>	No
<b>Rooms per floor</b>	N/A

<b>Room Occupancy</b>	4-12
<b>Co-ed floors</b>	Yes
<b>Co-ed rooms permitted</b>	No
<b>Windows in rooms</b>	Yes
<b>Screens on windows</b>	Yes
<b>Air-conditioning</b>	No
<b>Common areas</b>	Yes
<b>Courtyard</b>	Yes
<b>Guests permitted (&amp; rules, etc.)</b>	No
<b>Approx. age of building</b>	10 years
<b>Can students receive mail?</b>	No
<b>Bathrooms</b>	
<b>Ensuite</b>	No
<b>No. of students per bathroom</b>	N/A
<b>Shower/Bath</b>	Shower
<b>Sink</b>	Yes
<b>Typical Furnishings</b>	
<b>Bed (size)</b>	Single
<b>Desk</b>	In lab
<b>Chair</b>	In lab
<b>Bookshelf/Cabinet</b>	N/A
<b>Wardrobe/Dresser</b>	No
<b>Hangers</b>	No
<b>Nightstand</b>	Yes
<b>Lamp</b>	No
<b>Bulletin board</b>	Yes
<b>Television</b>	No
<b>Kitchen</b>	
<b>In room/common area</b>	Common area
<b>Stove</b>	No
<b>Microwave</b>	No
<b>Refrigerator</b>	Yes
<b>Kettle/coffee maker</b>	Yes
<b>Pots/Pans</b>	No
<b>Cutlery/Dishes</b>	Yes
<b>Cafeteria</b>	
<b>Cafeteria in residence</b>	N/A
<b>Meal Plan</b>	N/A
<b>Laundry Facilities</b>	
<b>In residence?</b>	No
<b>Laundry detergent</b>	Yes
<b>Drying racks</b>	Yes
<b>Iron/Ironing board</b>	No
<b>Linens/Cleaning/Repair</b>	
<b>Sheets</b>	No
<b>Towels</b>	No
<b>Blankets</b>	Yes

<b>Pillows</b>	Yes
<b>Toilet paper</b>	Yes
<b>Linens changed by staff</b>	No
<b>Room cleaned by staff</b>	Yes
<b>Common areas cleaned by staff</b>	Yes
<b>Phones</b>	
<b>Phones in rooms</b>	No
<b>Shared phones in common areas</b>	No
<b>Public Phones</b>	No
<b>Cell Phones</b>	Yes
<b>Internet/Computer Access</b>	
<b>Computer facilities in residence</b>	No – recommend bring own laptop
<b>Internet access in residence</b>	Yes
<b>Transportation</b>	
<b>Nearest train station</b>	N/A
<b>Residence to class</b>	15 minutes by mini van
<b>Avg. Distance/Time from Res. to Downtown Area</b>	45 minutes by car, 1 hr. by bus.

## Weather & Health

May and June are late spring months in the Republic of Georgia and weather patterns can be highly variable – from clear and hot to wet and cold in a short period of time. Nevertheless, the area we will be working is generally comfortable and similar to what we experience here in Toronto at the same time of year. The afternoons are characterized by highs of 23-25 degrees Celsius, while the evenings and mornings can be cool (lows of 12-17 degrees Celsius).

Field archaeology students must be in excellent health and willing to work long, physically-demanding days. If you are under medical care of any kind, you are advised to consult with a physician before going to Georgia. **All health concerns should be discussed with the Professional and International Programs office prior to submitting your application form.**