

Waiman-Barak Archaeometry

Ceramic petrography and archaeometry for archaeology · Dr. Paula Waiman-Barak

Price list

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Analyses, per sample

ANALYSIS	PRICE
Petrography (ceramic or sediment thin section)	\$145
FTIR	\$100
XRD	\$100
SEM-EDS	\$150

The per-sample price covers photography of the vessels and fresh breaks, thin-section preparation, photomicrography, analysis, and the publication-ready text.

Every project should include at least two soil samples from the area of the site, so that the pottery can be compared with the local raw materials. Soil samples are priced as regular samples.

Firing experiments

EXPERIMENT	PRICE
One sediment sample, analyzed unfired and after firing at 600°C, 700°C, 800°C, and 900°C, with petrography and FTIR for each of the five conditions	\$1,195

Geological surveys

SERVICE	PRICE
Field survey and raw-material sampling, on land or underwater	\$330 per day
Surveys abroad	Same day rate plus travel expenses

Projects of fewer than 30 samples

ADDITIONAL FEE	PRICE
Advising, field, and sampling days	\$330 per day
Writing the report	\$980

Optional services

SERVICE	PRICE
Leading a peer-reviewed paper for a sample set of 100 samples or fewer	\$2,615
Uploading data and photomicrographs to the Levantine Ceramics Project (optional)	\$20 per sample
Support in preparing a research grant application	\$330 per day

Payment

Payment is in two parts: 50% when the thin sections arrive at the lab and 50% on delivery of the preliminary results.