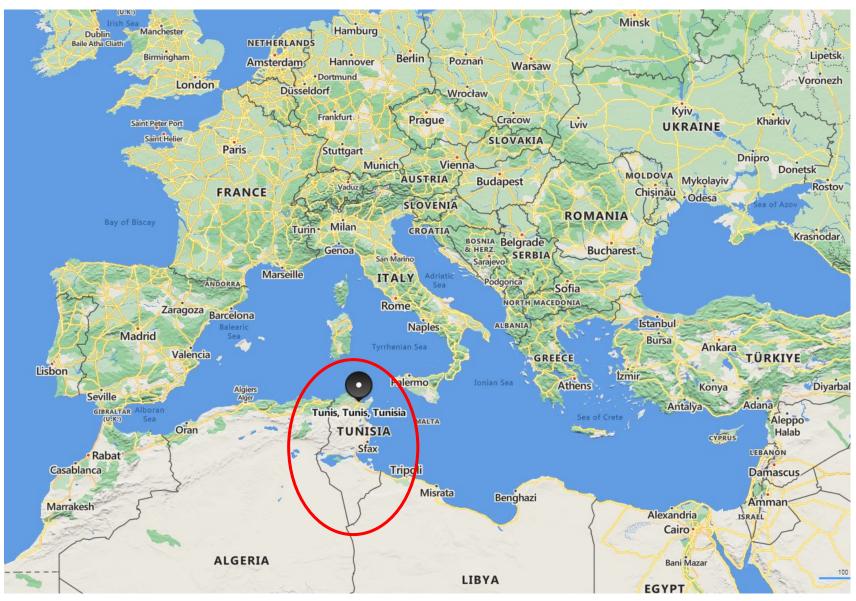
# Why you may want to study in TUNISIA

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### تونس- La Tunisie -Tunisia







Tunisia Carthage: The Land of General HANNIBAL BARCA



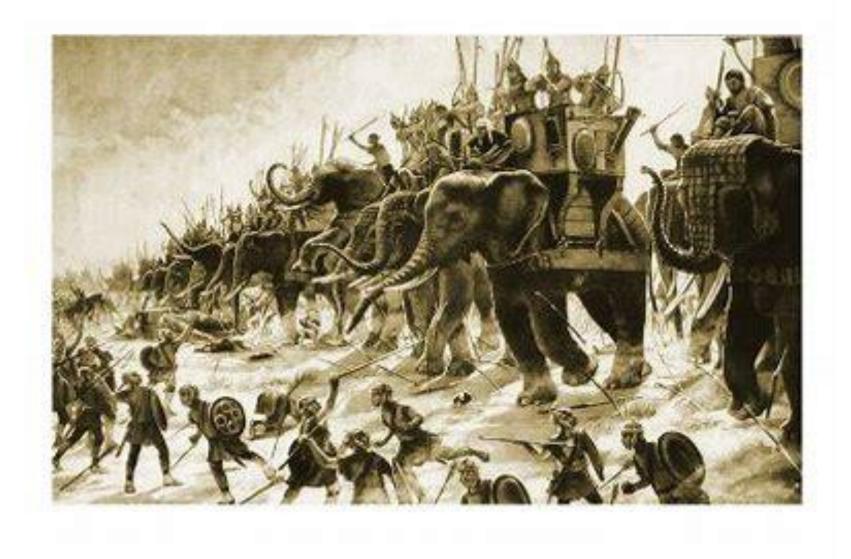
### The Second Punic War



- From Spain he marched 40,000 infantry, 8000 cavalry, & 60 battle elephants over the Alps (mountain barrier to Italy).
- Within two months he conquered all of Northern Italy.











### **History Overview-**

Tunisia has a rich cultural history, dating back to antiquity.

The Carthaginian Empire, Rome's sworn enemy, originated in Tunisia. Its capital, Carthage, is now a suburb of Tunis. <u>(*Pictured*)</u>

French Tunisia (1881–1956)- 75 years!

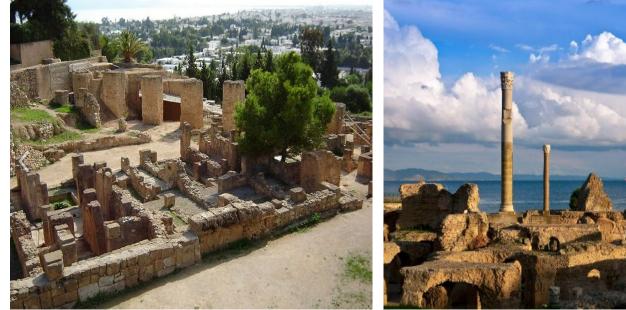
- During the nineteenth century, European influence, especially Italian influence, increased in Tunisia. When Tunisia went bankrupt in1869, Britain, France and Italy took control of Tunisian finances. Then, in 1881, French troops entered from Algeria and forced the Tunisians to accept a French protectorate. Tunisia Officially became French Tunisia.
- In 1940, when Germany conquered France, Tunisia came under Vichy French rule. The Germans occupied Tunisia in November 1942,

but their troops surrendered to the Allies in May 1943.

Independence 1956- After World War II, Tunisians continued to agitate for freedom and achieved independence from France in March 1956. March 20th is celebrated annually as the Tunisian Independence Day.

A year later, Tunisia was declared a republic, with Habib Bourguiba as the first president.





#### **Tunis The capital**



A fusion of modern European city style. A culturally diverse city that has spent centuries seeping in a fascinating mixture of French, Spanish, African, Turkish, Arabic, Maltese and Italian influences.

There is plenty to see as it is famous for its delicious food, diverse architecture, good weather, and fascinating historical monuments and sites.





#### Coast Line/Beaches -

Tunisia is among the most visited countries in Africa. The country is a beach destination. Beautiful beaches on the endless coastline attract millions of tourists each year. Some of the Mediterranean's most spectacular beaches are to be found in Tunisia; to the north you'll discover a coastline of crystal-clear waters, lush vegetation and wild cliffs, while the southern coastline is fascinating due to the desert landscape surrounding it. Because Tunisia lives from tourism, most of its sandy beaches are surrounded by hotels, bars and restaurants.







#### Northwest Tunisia

It is the coldest region in Tunisia with an average high temperature of only 25°C/77F. Winters can be cold and may experience snowfalls, while in the summer they are hot during the day but remail cool at night.

The area is known for its natural parks and hilly mountainous areas.













#### South Tunisia

#### صحراء - The Sahara Desert

- Earth's largest hot desert and the third largest desert behind Antarctica and the Arctic. An area spanning nearly a third of the African continent and about the size of the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii.

- The Sahara has an average temp of 86°F (30°C) and an average summer high of 104°F (40°C). The lack of water in the ground and water vapor in the air means that temperatures drop drastically at night, falling close to freezing during the winter months.

- The camel, also known as the "ships of the desert," are well adapted to the Sahara's hot, arid environment and are one of the most iconic animals of the Sahara. The humps on a camel's back store fat, which can be used for energy and hydration in between meals. Camels store energy so efficiently that they can go more than a week without water and several months without food.





#### <u>The Underground Homes of Matmata</u> <u>Tunisia</u>

#### مطماطة Matmata

is a small town that is inhabited by the aboriginal Berber-speaking people. In the past, underground houses were built to escape the scorching heat and sun of the Sahara Dessert and also the winter winds. However, today most Tunisians build their houses above the ground. It is only in Matmata that people still prefer underground homes to modern houses. The underground dwelling places are formed by digging large open pits whose walls are curved to make houses out of Bricks and clay

One pit can house 5-9 families.













#### تطاوين -Tataouine

### The Tunisian town of that inspired 'Star Wars'

Several scenes from the Star Wars movies were filmed in Tunisia. The Saharan landscape of southern Tunisia is home to several sets which was Luke Skywalker's home planet of Tatooine in the 1977 movie. This location has since become the hotspot for dedicated Star Wars fans much of the architecture seen in the franchise exists in the historic architecture of the ancient city.





#### الجمّ - El Jem

Tunisia has One Of The World's Largest Amphitheaters. El Jem is one of the most ancient, yet best-preserved Roman ruins in the world. It was built in 238 AD when present-day Tunisia was part of the Roman province of Africa. Built for spectator events, El Jem has a capacity of 35,000 people.













#### <u>Central Tunisia-</u>

#### <u>Tunisia's 'liquid gold'</u>

Tunisia is the land of the olive tree, it is one of the world's top four producer of olive oil after Spain, Italy and Greece. and 3rd producer of organic olive oil.

















#### Food In Tunisia

**Shakshuka -** a Tunisian dish of fried eggs simmered in a flavorful sauce of tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, garlic, Chile pepper, cumin, and paprika



*Harissa*: fiery red sauce made with tomatoes and chilies is served with most dishes



*Tajine*: also called '*Tagine*', is a stew prepared with mixed lamb meat, vegetables and spices that are combined and then cooked in special clay pot with a conical hat.



*Kofta*: A Tunisian version of meatballs. It's made of minced meat, onions, and spices like salt, pepper, and cayenne that is fried in oil.



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**Couscous:** also called 'kosksi' in Tunisia, is wheat semolina that is cooked in a special steamer pot and served mixed with vegetables and lamb



*Tunisian Makroudh:* The dough of this pastry is semolina-based and flavored with blossom water. Cookies are filled with date, fig, or almond paste and lastly fried in oil and soaked in syrup



## What you can study in Tunisia

- •Arabic and French language
- •Architecture
- History and Geography
- Religious studies
- International cooperation
- Agricultural sciences
- •Arid land and desert studies
- Arabic and North African studies

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Many courses are offered in English.

Tunisians thank with a simple gesture, placing the right hand onto the chest close to the heart.

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