

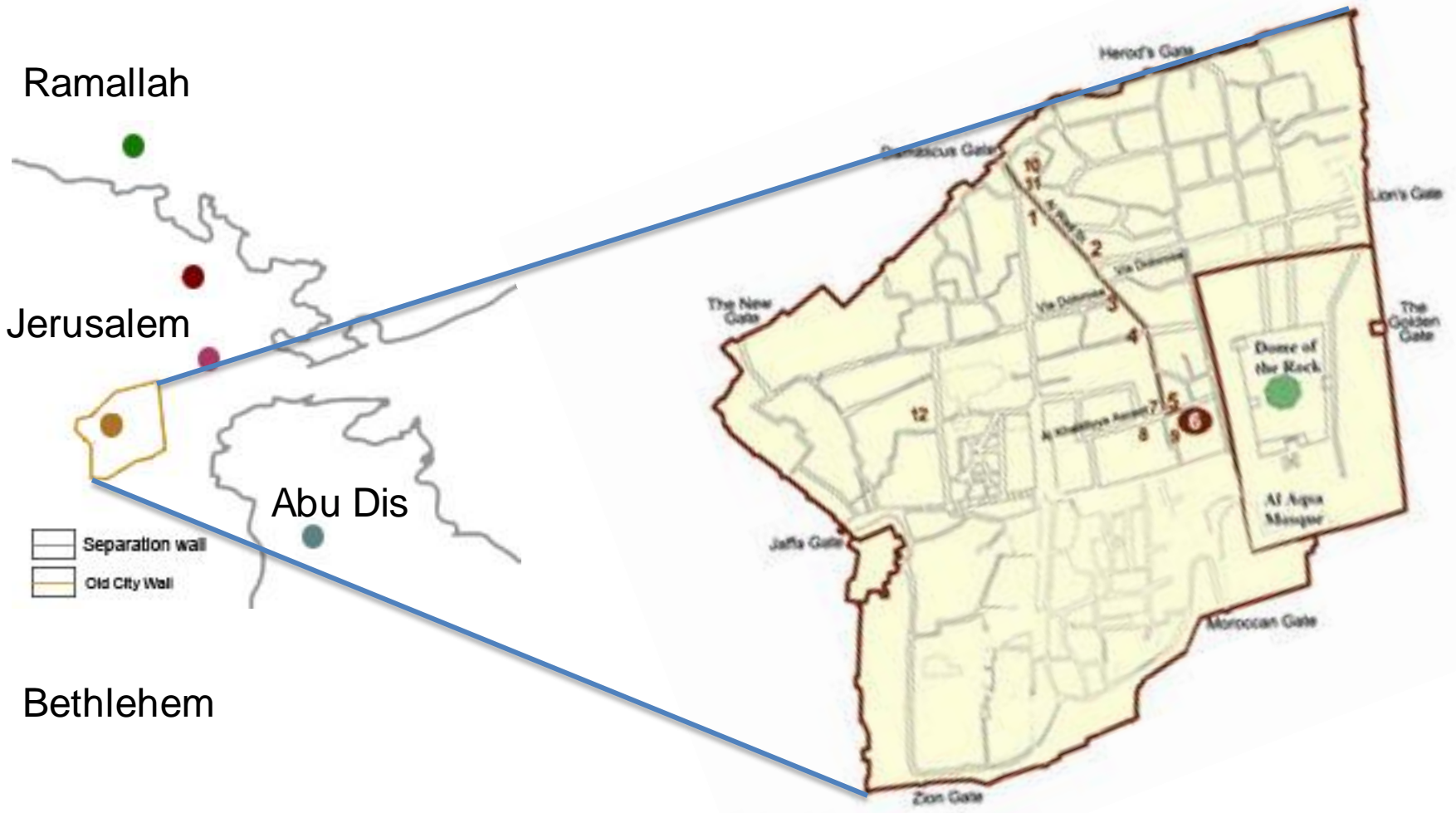
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Al-Quds University (AQU) Main Campus



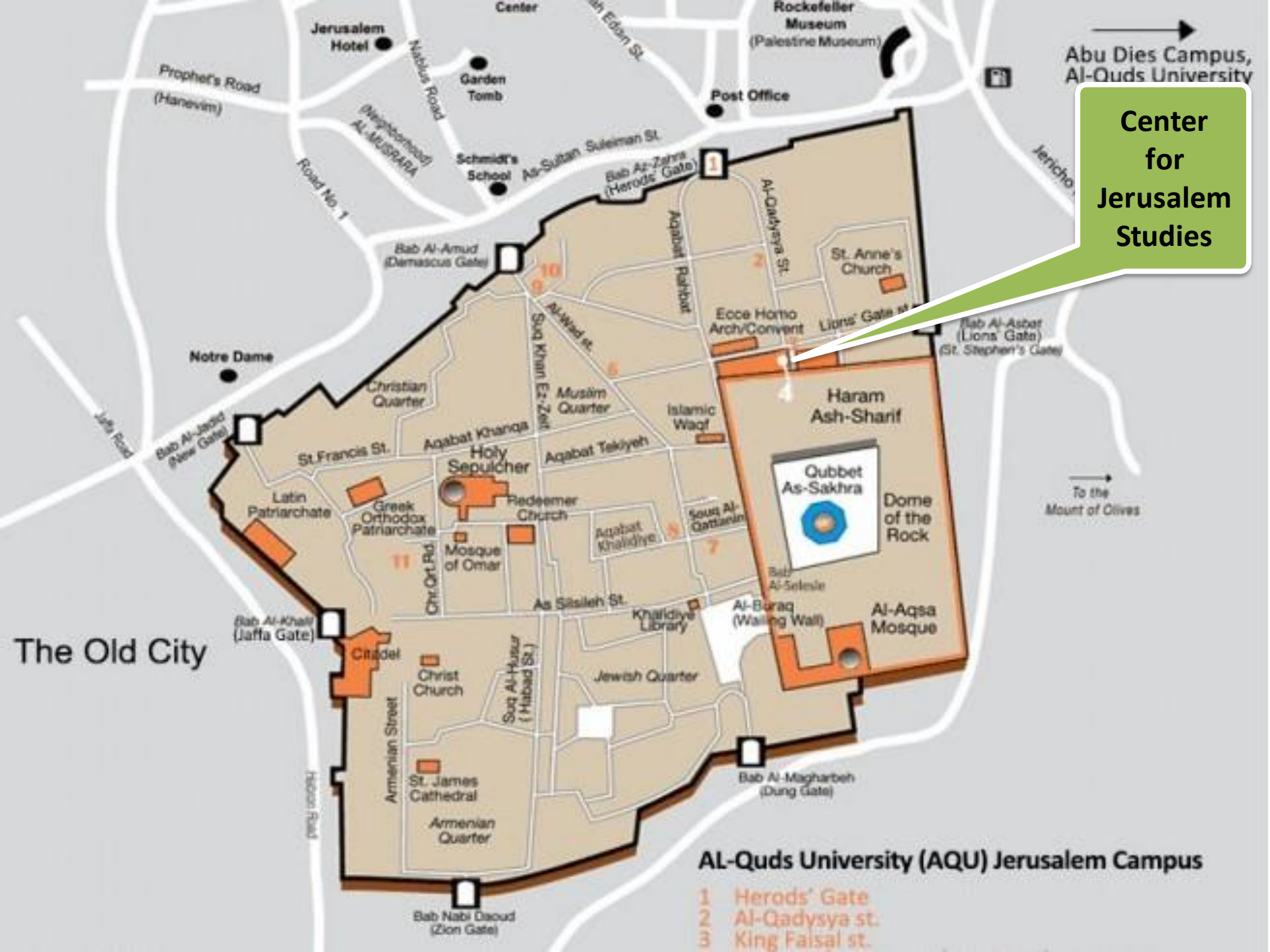
# AQU Campuses



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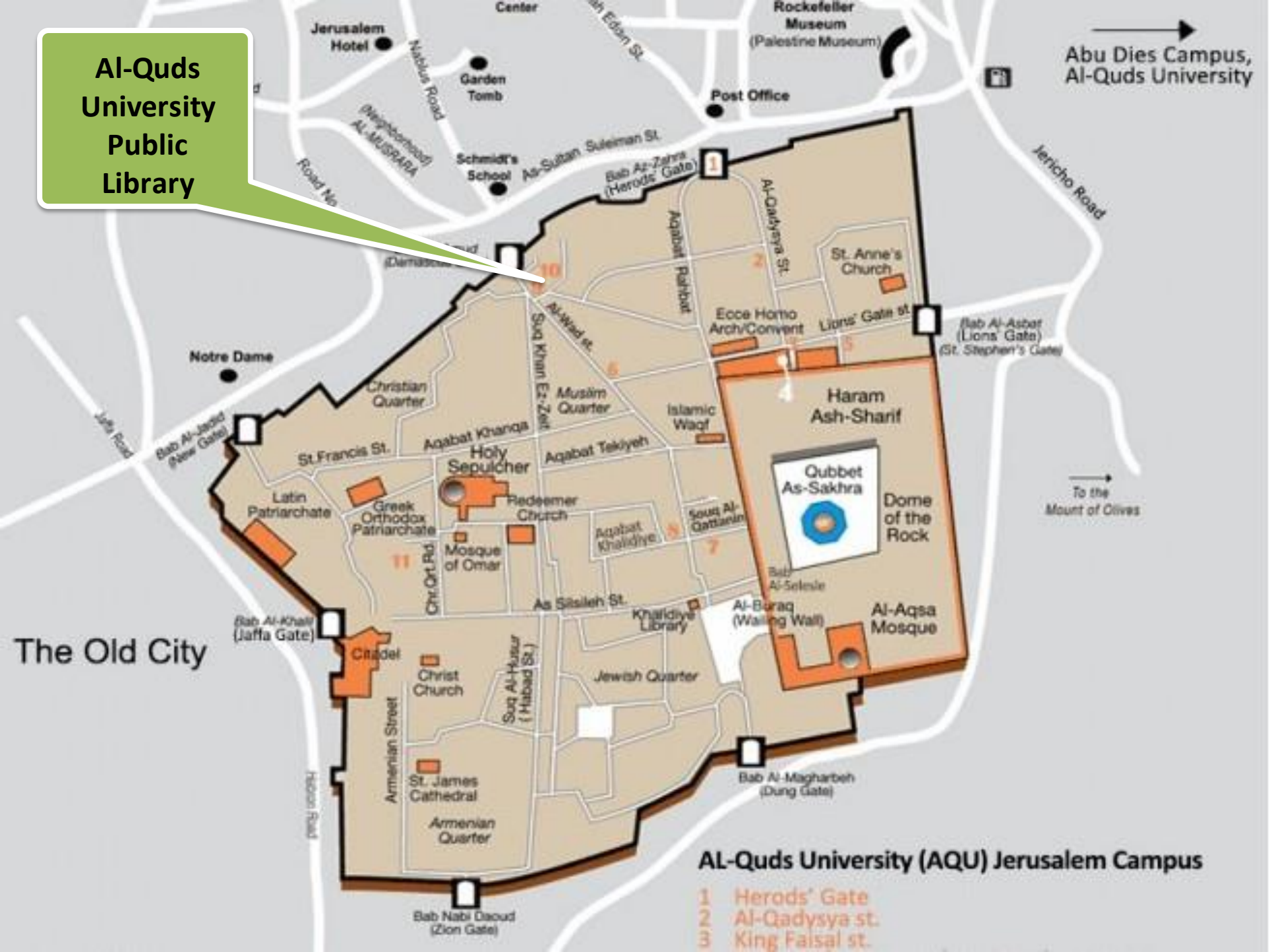
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To the  
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Al-Quds University  
Public  
Library



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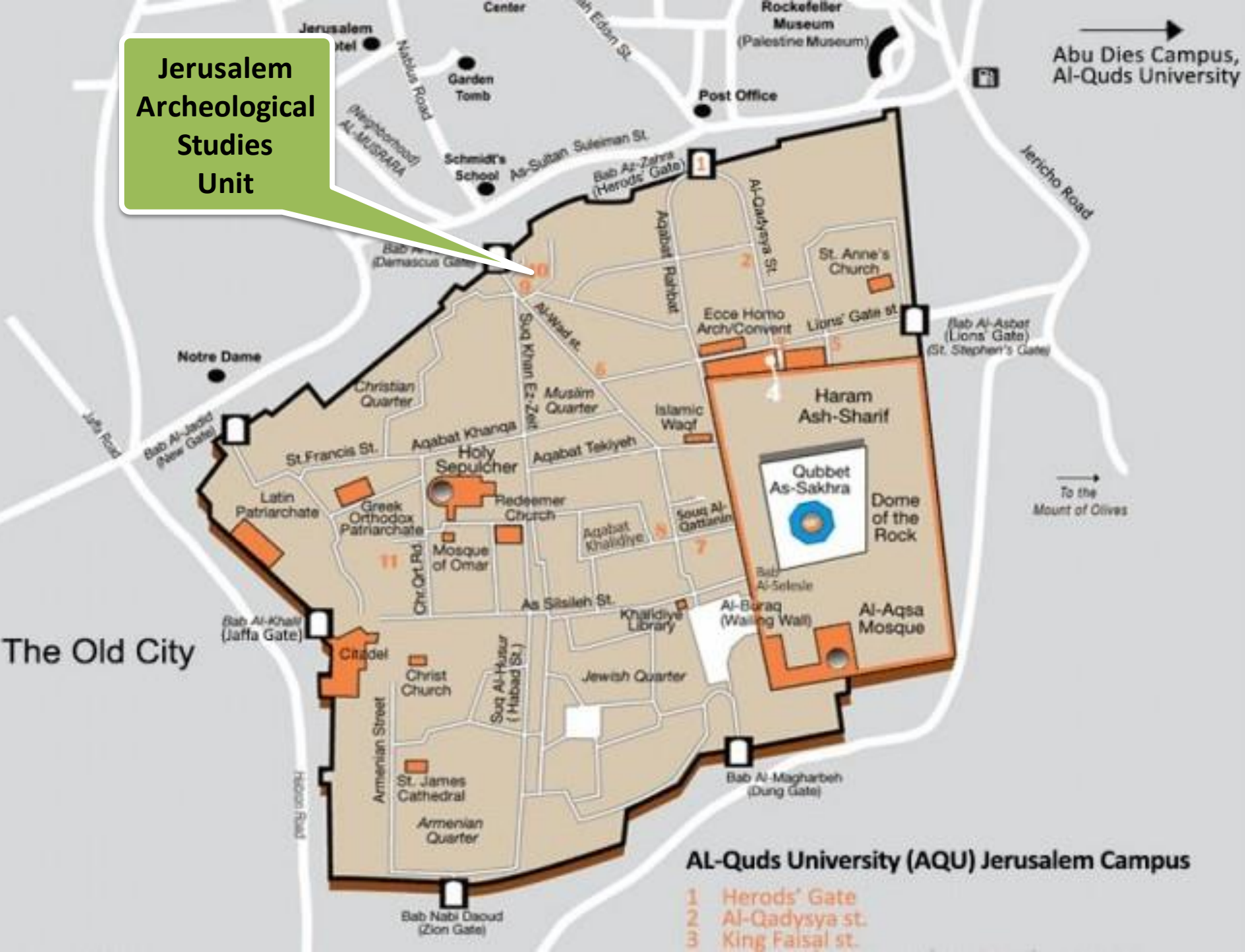
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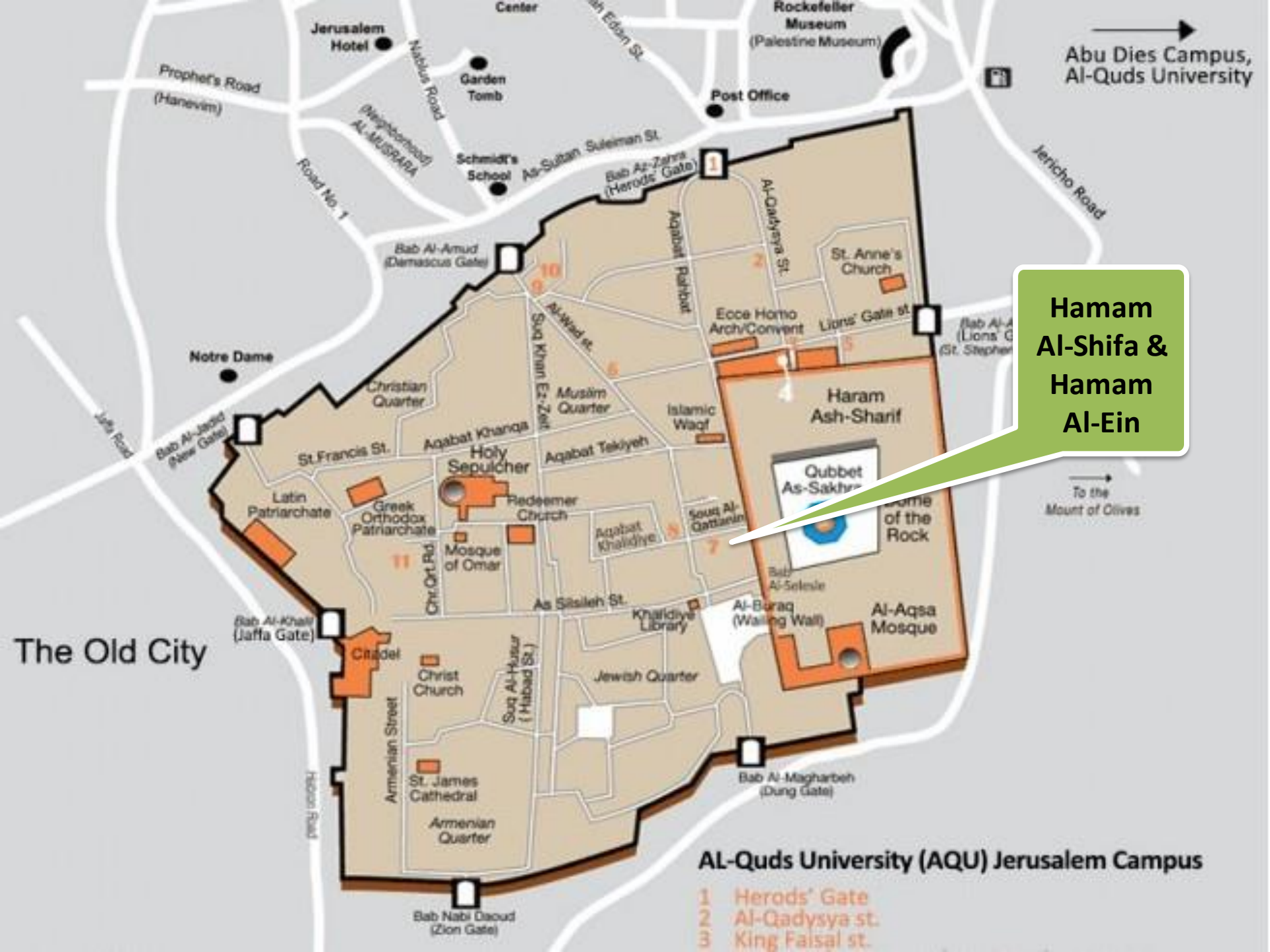
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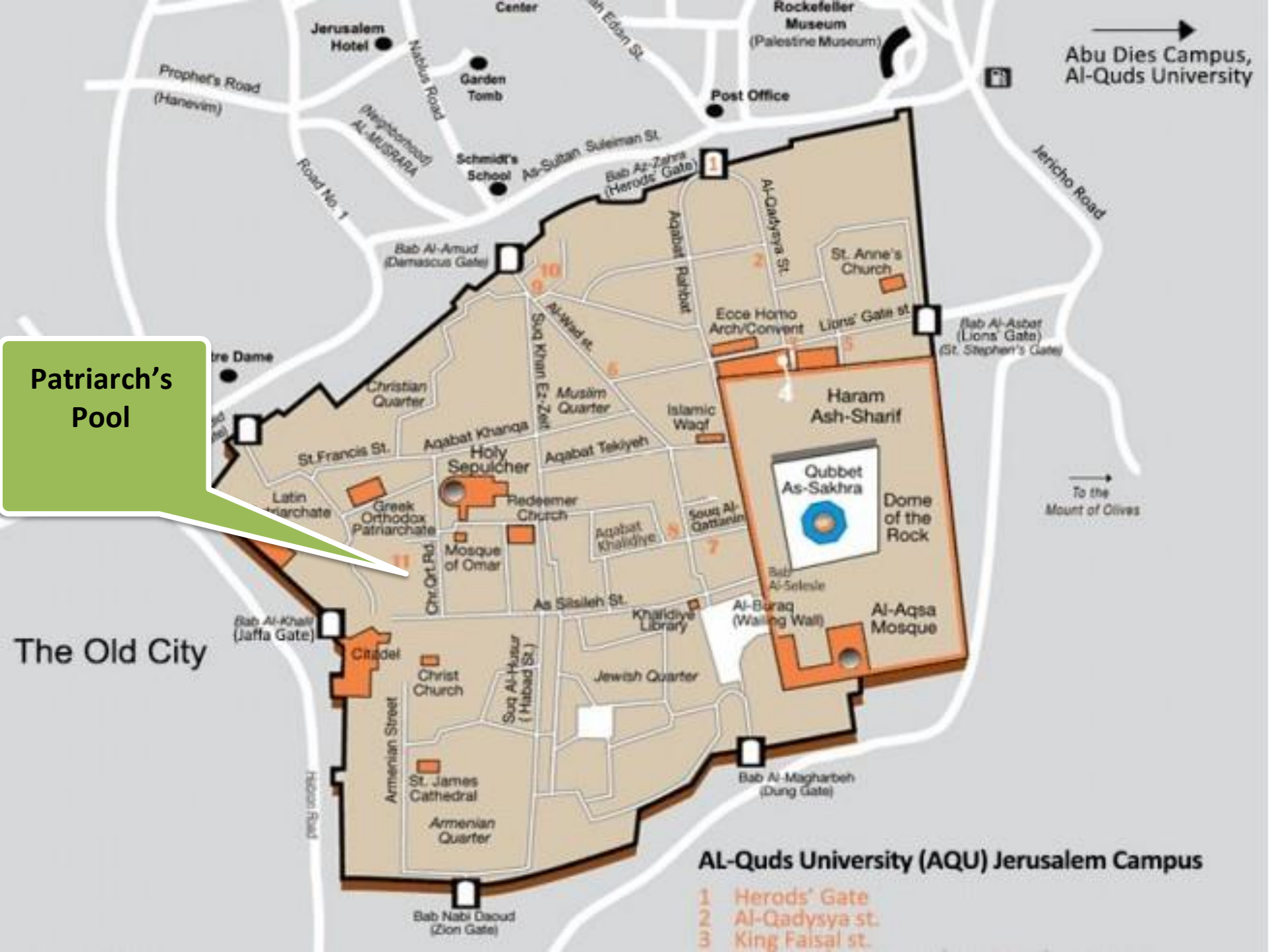
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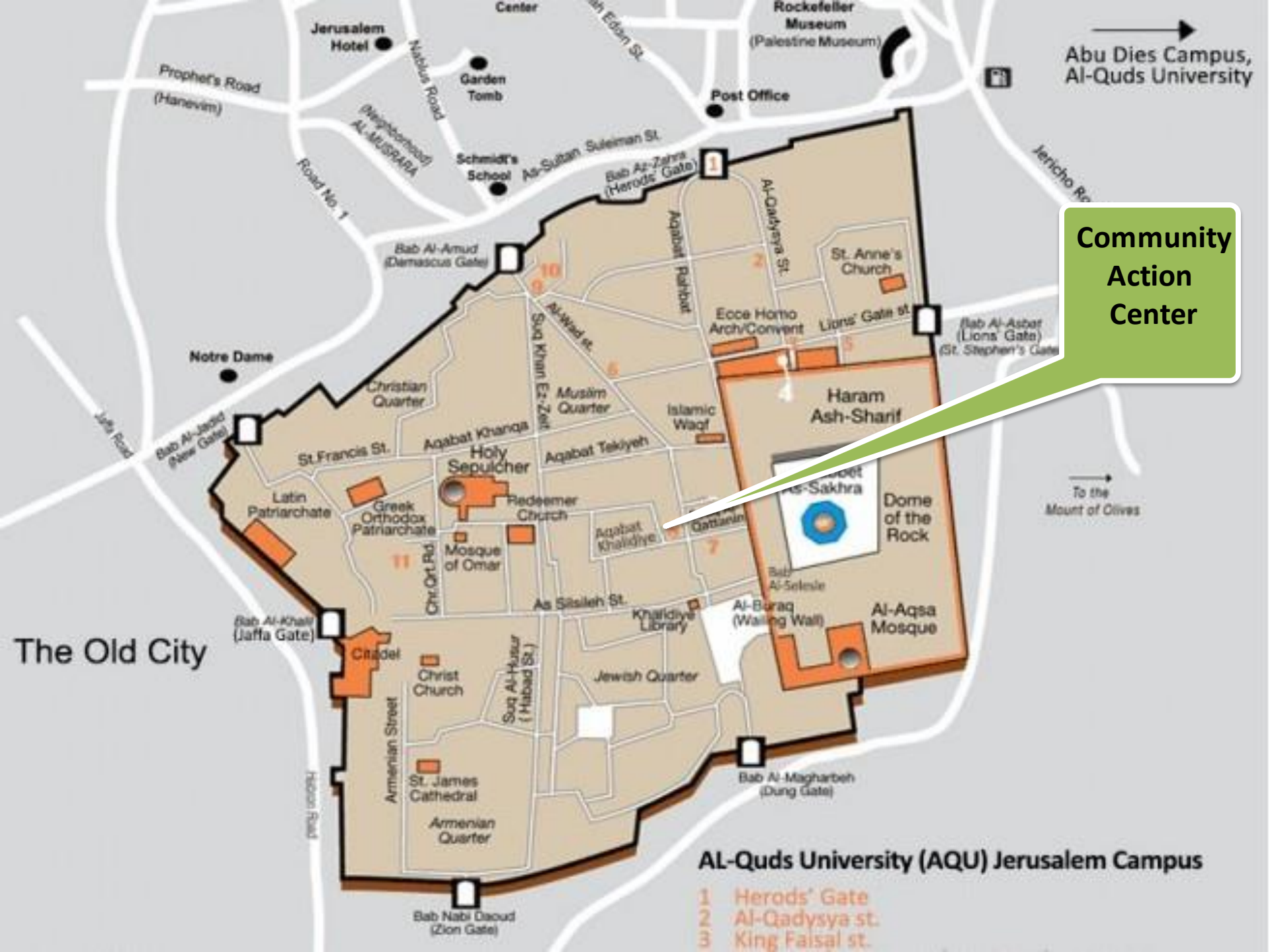
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Patriarch's  
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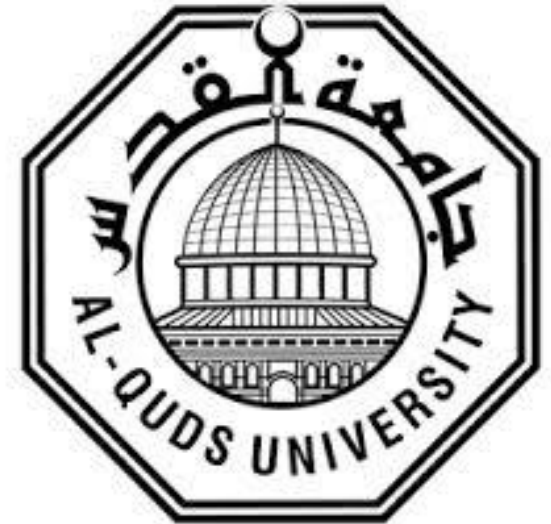
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# Al-Quds University's Legal Services in Jerusalem

Al-Quds Human Rights Clinic  
Community Action Center



# Background: Forced displacement in Jerusalem



# Mission Statement

- Empowering individuals and communities living in East Jerusalem, who were, are and will be denied basic social and economic rights.
- Make Jerusalemites aware of their own civil entitlements.
- Accessing and building on other existing rights-based organizations in order to develop the basic, essential civic capacity needed in order to empower Palestinian civil society at all levels.

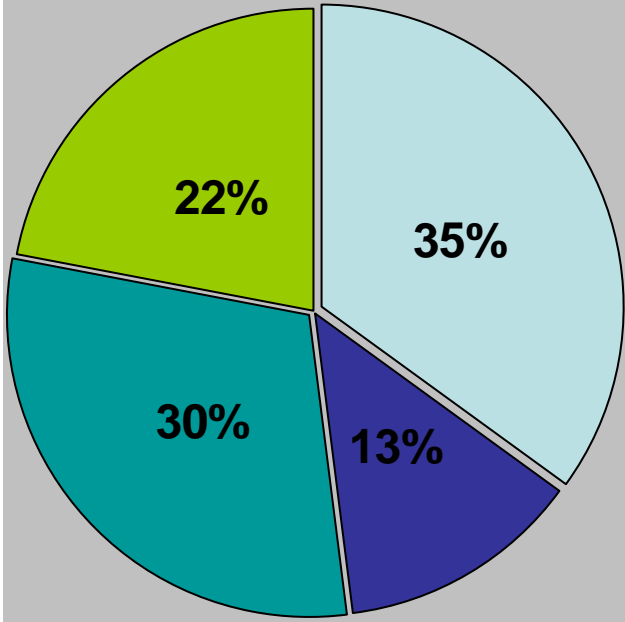
# Main Issues in Jerusalem

## Issue 1: Residency



- Residency issues in Jerusalem:
  - Residency Revocation
    - 14,500 (1967 - 2015)
  - Family Unification
  - Child Registration
    - 10,000 child unregistered

# Zoning - Israeli Municipal conduct in East Jerusalem



- Expropriated for Israeli Settlements
- Zoned for Palestinian Construction (9.18 SQ KM)
- Unplanned Areas
- Green Areas

# Issues in Jerusalem

## Issue 2: Home Demolition





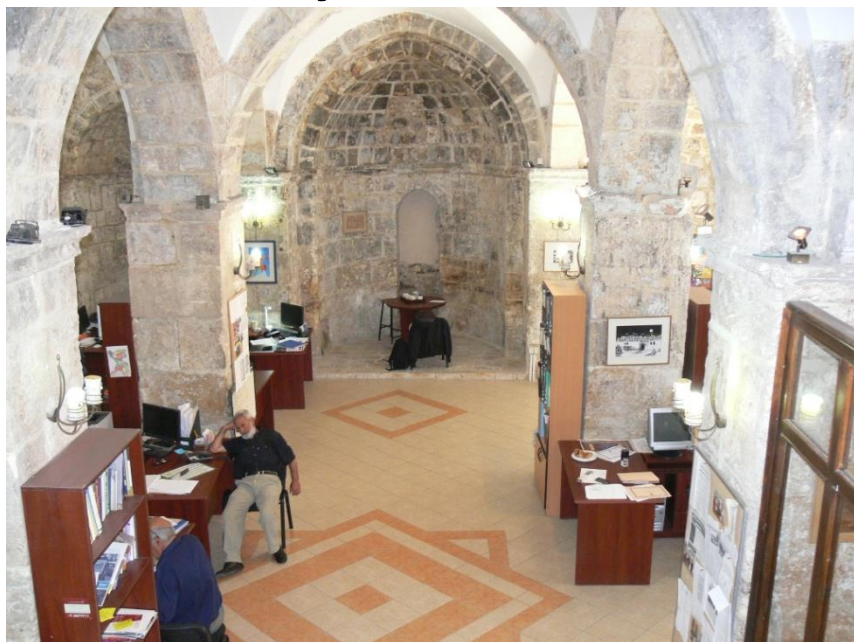
# Issues in Jerusalem

## Issue 3: Social Welfare



# Al-Quds University's intervention: Pro-bono Legal Services in Jerusalem

## Community Action Center



Established: 1999 in the old city  
Currently representing hundreds of  
Palestinians on a variety of legal  
issues

## Al-Quds Human Rights Clinic



Established: 2006  
The first clinical legal education program in  
the Arab world.  
Trained and graduated dozens of students.

## Professional lawyers working with students serving the community



- Legal Clinic is an accredited course in the law school.
- Students get 6 credits in a course that runs through a whole academic year (Sep through May)
- Students are supervised by academics and professional lawyers → Together giving legal services



**Al-Quds University guarantees the sustainability of its legal services through supporting the CAC and the Clinic indefinitely. We also fundraise to improve our services and make them more sustainable.**

# Examples of services

### Example 1: An old city bakery



Occupation authorities claim that bakery has no license to bake, although the bakery is older than the occupation itself.

AQU intervened legally and eventually occupation authorities recognized the existing license.



## **Example 2: Al-Murabitat**

Group of non-violent demonstrators in Al-Aqsa Mosque. Israeli authorities punished them with revoking their membership in the social welfare system including medical insurance.

We intervened and succeeded to reclaim the membership in every case we took.



## **Collective punishment case**

Nadia Abu Jamal's children suffered a punitive revoking of their membership in the social welfare and medical insurance institution because their father was shot in a shooting incident.

AQU managed to reclaim their social welfare membership in the court.





**If we win the grant:  
We will update our awareness raising publications.**

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