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Greek, early 3rd century BC

School student holding a two-leafed writing tablet

Photo: Effy Alexakis, Sydney

You are invited to join the Ancient History Department Units in Semester 2 4 August – 14 November 2008

No Assignments

No Exams

Cost \$160.00 per unit (incl. GST)

100 Level Units

AHST101 Myth in the Ancient World
D: Wed 12-14 (Dr Plant)

An introduction to Greek, Roman, Egyptian and Near-Eastern society and culture through the study of myth. The unit begins from the earliest creation myths and examines the development of myth in literature and art. The study is largely based upon Greek and Latin texts in translation as well as the representation of myth in art; Near-Eastern, biblical, and Egyptian texts will be studied too. The unit focuses on the relevance of key themes in myth to the cultures in which the myths arose, investigating their roles in the religious, political and social life of the classical world.

AHST104 Antiquity's Heirs: Barbarian Europe, Byzantium, and Islam
D: Tue 10-11 & Thurs 11-12 (Dr Gillett)

How do the ancient world and the modern world fit together? Where did the Roman Empire, and its older neighbour Persia, go? Late Antiquity (about 250-750 AD) was a period of profound transition which crucially shaped the world we know today. This introduction examines how both Christianity and Islam arose from the classical world, while charting the origins of western European nations, the beginnings of Rome's 1000-year continuation in Byzantium, and the creation of the Islamic world. Pivotal changes in society and culture are studied through texts concerning figures such as Attila, St. Patrick, and the earliest Islamic poets.

Ancient Languages

AHST206 Ancient Greek B
(Prerequisite: Greek A)
D: Mon 14-16 & Wed 14-16 (Dr Plant)

The unit is designed to follow directly on the work done in AHST205. A selection of graded Greek texts from a number of authors will be studied to build skills in reading Greek.

AHST380 Option: Greek D
(Prerequisite Greek C)
D: Thurs 16-19 (Dr Evans)

This unit is open to those who have successfully completed the Greek C option of AHST280. It will consist of a weekly three-hour seminar at which a variety of Ancient Greek texts will be read and discussed e.g. Herodotus, Xenophon and Plutarch.

AHST208 Latin B
(Prerequisite: Latin A)
D: Mon 10-12 & Thurs 11-12 (Professor Nobbs)

The unit is designed to follow on the work done in AHST207 Latin A. We shall read a wide variety of Latin, both literary texts (prose and poetry) and documentary and will include Classical and Medieval Latin.

AHST380 Option: Latin D
(Prerequisite: Latin C)
D: Tue 13-16 (Dr Evans)

This unit is open to those who have successfully completed the Latin C option of AHST280. It will consist of a weekly three-hour seminar at which a variety of Ancient Latin texts will be read and discussed e.g. Caesar and Virgil.

AHST242 Classical Hebrew B
(Prerequisite: Hebrew A)
D: Tue 9-11 & Thurs 9-11 (Dr Llewelyn)

This unit extends the student's grasp of Classical Hebrew by working through the second half of Page H. Kelley, *Biblical Hebrew: An Introductory Grammar*. The students will also read prose texts in Biblical Hebrew taken from the Old Testament.

200/300 level Units

AHMG201 Gods and Athletes, Sports and Global Politics
D: Thurs 13-15 (Dr Kefallinos/A/Prof. McKechnie)

This unit covers the Olympics from its beginning in the eighth century BC to the Athens 2004 Olympic Games as a unique way to explore the ancient Mediterranean world, the spread of Greek culture under the Roman Empire and the modern uses of antiquity by the Enlightenment and Greek nationalists.

AHST209/309 Early Christian Literature and Thought
D: Wed 16-17 & Fri 10-11 (Dr Forbes)

An examination of early Christian writings both as literary texts and as witnesses to the variety of early Christian life and thought. New Testament and other Gospel texts will be studied to determine what sort of literature they are, what ideas they express, and what they reveal about the different Christian groups of the period.

AHST210 Archaeology and Society
D: Tue 13-14 & Wed 10-11 (Dr Woods and staff)

This unit includes the study of archaeological method and theory, the results of field work, ancient technology and methods of scientific study of antiquity, with particular reference to the classical civilizations of Greece and Rome. The unit will include practical exercises in the use of archaeological material in the Museum of Ancient Cultures.

AHST231 Ciceronian Rome
D: Tue 11-12 & Thurs 10-11 or Thurs 18-20
(Dr Beness)

This unit will examine the social and political history of the age of Gaius Julius Caesar: the so-called last generation of the Roman Republic. It will look at Rome as a society in transition and close with an examination of Rome's political transformation with the dictatorship of Caesar and the rise of his son and heir Octavian (Augustus).

AHST235/335 Byzantium East and West
D: Fri 9-10 (Prof. Nobbs/Dr Parry/Dr Mikkelsen)

This unit comprises the study of Byzantine history from Justinian to Alexios Komnenos. It focuses on the continuity of the classical tradition, and on contacts between the Byzantines and Arabs (East) and Medieval Spain (West). Major themes include historiography and the role of women in society.

Egyptology Units

AHST360 Egyptian Hieroglyphs B
(Prerequisite: Egyptian Hieroglyphs A)
DE: Mon 10-13 or 18-21 (A/Prof. Ockinga)

This unit builds upon AHST260 *Egyptian Hieroglyphs A*, providing further study of Middle Egyptian grammar, as well as the study and interpretation of Middle Kingdom Texts.

AHST361 Ancient Egyptian Religion
DE: Tue 11-13 or 18-20 (A/Prof. Ockinga)

A study of religious thought and its development in Ancient Egypt. This unit will deal with such topics as the concept of God, creation accounts, cosmology, divine kingship, polytheism and monotheism, myths, temple cult, oracles and personal religion.

AHST363 Egypt in the Old Kingdom
(Prerequisite: Egyptian Hieroglyphs A)
DE: Wed 12-15 & or Wed 18-21 (Prof. Kanawati)

This unit is a study of the main historical events and the architectural and artistic achievements of the Old Kingdom. The unit will be based on the examination of archaeological sources as well as textual evidence in the original language.

D=Day, E=Evening

Egyptology Conferences

International Conference: Memphis in the First two Millennia
Thursday/Friday 14/15 August
Annual Conference: Saturday 16 August

For more information please call the Australian Centre for Egyptology:
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Ancient Languages Winter School

Macquarie Ancient Languages Winter School: 7-11 July

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Please choose your unit(s) carefully. An administration fee of \$20.00 will be deducted per unit cancelled.

Please note that you attend lectures as an audit student. Continuing Education students cannot submit assignments, class tests etc. for marking or sit exams. Students wishing to undertake a unit on a fully taught basis with tutorial participation, assignments and exams should enrol as a Non-Award student through the Centre for Open Education. Tel: (02) 9850 7470.

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