



Ancient History and Archaeology as a New Minor Subject

Details for the Academic Year 26/27

Why take this New Minor Subject?

You will take Ancient History and Archaeology as New Minor Subject if you are interested in understanding social, political and cultural experience in the past, its influence and its relevance to the present day. You will enjoy this subject if you are attracted by the history and culture of the Greeks and Romans – their achievements and their profound influence on the modern world – and by the complementary study of history and archaeology.

What will I learn?

On this pathway, you will take 60 ECTS in Ancient History and Archaeology across Years 2 to 4. Students lay firm foundations in Year 2 when they first join Ancient History and Archaeology as a Minor pathway. You are introduced to the subject with two 10 ECTS survey modules that provide an overview of the subject and related methodologies. In each of the Sophister years you will take one 10-ECTS module and two 5-ECTS modules on special aspects of the history and archaeology of the Mediterranean world, working with historical and literary documents alongside the material remains of ancient sites and artefacts. You will acquire a deeper awareness of methods and theory, engage with ethical issues concerning cultural heritage, discuss key themes of relevance to both the ancient and modern world, and learn how to do 'hands on' work with artefacts.

What will I do?

After a solid introduction to the Greek and Roman worlds and to the skills and approaches required to study ancient history and archaeology, you will have an opportunity to focus on specific themes and periods in the history and archaeology of the Mediterranean world. All modules are research-led and taught through a mixture of lectures, practical classes, and small-group seminars, which encourage lively discussion and the development of independent thinking.

Senior Fresh:

CLU11100 Introduction to Greek and Roman History (10 ECTS)

CLU11108 Sources and Methods for History and Archaeology (10 ECTS) or CLU11104 Greek and Roman Art and Architecture (10 ECTS)

Further NMS JS and SS 10 ECTS and 5 ECTS module options to be confirmed but indicative content can be found in the SF (=NMS JS) and JS (=NMS SS) year content displayed here:

<https://www.tcd.ie/classics/undergraduate/tsm/ancient-archaeology-tep.php>

How will this be assessed?

A combination of end-of-semester examination and continuous assessment, e.g. essays, seminar presentations, team projects, artefact studies and short commentaries on texts.

Contact hours and Indicative Student Workload

SF
CLU11100 Introduction to Greek and Roman History (10 ECTS): 2 hrs lectures pw
CLU11108 Sources and Methods for History and Archaeology (10 ECTS): 1 hr lecture + 1 hr seminar pw
or
CLU11104 Greek and Roman Art and Architecture (10 ECTS): 2 hrs lectures pw

Thereafter, contact hours will vary depending upon which module combinations students elect to take.

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