

Ancient Studies

Level: Stage 1

Course length: 1 semester

Credit value: 10 Credits

Advice to students

No specific background knowledge is required.

Course overview

In Ancient Studies, students learn about the history, literature, society and culture of ancient civilisations which include those of Asia–Australia, Europe and Western Asia, and the classical civilisations of Greece and Rome. Students draw on many other fields of study including archaeology. They consider the environmental, social, economic, religious, cultural and aesthetic aspects of societies, and explore the ideas and innovations that shape and are shaped by societies.

Topics studied:

- Archaeology: Understanding Ancient Societies, Social structures, Slavery and everyday life
- Beliefs, rituals and mythology
- Student Choice: Inquiry

Assessment

4 assessment tasks.

Tasks include:

- report writing
- essay writing
- multimedia presentation
- simulated archaeological activity (group activity)

Pathways

Useful background for several SACE Stage 2 subjects including Stage 2 Ancient Studies, Modern History, Australian History and Studies of Societies.