



DEMOCRITUS UNIVERSITY OF THRACE

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BA in Hellenic Studies 2015/16 entry





This programme draws together teaching from a wide range of disciplines (philology, linguistics, architecture, archeology, history) to investigate aspects of history and culture of the Hellenic civilization that reflect the interaction between historical developments and social conditions. The programme also provides a sound knowledge of Modern Greek.

Degree outline

Students develop an advanced understanding of the Greek world, ancient, Byzantine and modern Greek, as well as the classical tradition. They will become competent speakers of Modern Greek at C2 level (according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) and will be trained to acquire translation skills from/into Greek.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, field study, seminars and practical sessions. Assessment is through a dissertation and a combination of essays, research projects, written examinations, group work and presentations depending on the requirements of each course.

Since they will be studying in the heart of ancient Thrace, in northern Greece, students will have an ideal base for visiting major archeological sites, such as Philippi, Thassos, Samothrace, Maronia, Abdera, which contribute to experiential learning.

Degree structure

Full-time: 4 years

Students undertake courses to the value of 240 ECTS units (60 ECTS per year).

- The programme includes courses on
- Modern Greek Language and Literature
 - Ancient Greek Language and Literature
 - Byzantine Literature
 - Greek History
 - Archaeology
 - Greek culture (music, theater, painting, cinema, architecture)
 - Translation: Theory and practice
 - Classical Tradition

Also

- A wide range of optional courses
- a dissertation
- an optional work placement



Your career

The heritage language learning sector is increasingly aware of the need for highly trained educators. Graduates of this new programme will have the appropriate training to teach Modern Greek both to Greek heritage speakers in diaspora communities all over the world and to individuals who are interested in learning Modern or Ancient Greek. Our graduates will be in a position to find employment in cultural heritage organisations, in education, in the media and publishing, in translation, in tourism, in Greek embassies and private commercial companies.

Employability

The BA in Hellenic Studies of the Democritus University of Thrace is a unique and groundbreaking interdisciplinary degree around the world which provides a real-life language experience of Greek and encourages a lifelong connection to the ideas, history and culture of Hellenism. Our students will receive a unique blend of theoretical and practical skills which make them experts in Greek (heritage or not) language teaching and translation from/into Greek. Taking place in Greece, it gives students who are Greek heritage speakers the opportunity to improve their knowledge of Greek, learn to value their bilingual heritage and so become educators through experiential learning.

Our students build comprehensive language skills through immersion in the classroom. They become highly competent Greek speakers, which puts them in an excellent position to pursue careers that require an excellent knowledge of Greek or Ancient Greek. Lastly, our students will participate in activities, such as excursions to archeological sites, drama representations, local festivals and Greek city visits, and social gatherings of the local community, all of which will help them acquire a strong cultural awareness of Greek civilization and will also put them in a good position to apply for careers in cultural management, if this is among their aims.





Entry Requirements

High-School Diploma

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be required to demonstrate knowledge of English at B2 level (as defined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages)

Greek language proficiency level

No previous knowledge of Greek language is required. All theoretical subjects are taught in English.

Your application

The deadline for all applicants is 16 August 2015.

Students are advised to apply as early as possible. Those applying for scholarship funding should take note of application deadlines.

Applicants are required to submit:

- Official high school transcript (secondary school records)
- the online application for admission
- a photocopy of the page of your passport containing photograph, name and other details
- a curriculum vitae in English
- two letters of Recommendation
- a personal statement letter (250 words)

- Either an official copy of your most recent TOEFL score (we require a minimum score of 500 on the paper-based test, of 173 on the computer-based test or of 61 on the Internet-based version) or an official copy of your most recent IELTS (International English Language Testing Service) (we require an overall band score of at least 7) or an official copy of your University of Cambridge First Certificate in English (we require at least a C grade) or official proof of at least three years attendance at a high school in which English was the language of instruction.

Fees and funding

3.500 € per year

Full details for funding opportunities can be found on the programmes' website.

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Contacts

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