

Ancient History and Classical Civilization (AHC)

AHC 310 Topics in Introductory Surveys in Premodern History 3 Hours
Introductory survey of premodern history with emphasis on regions outside of the ancient Mediterranean world.

AHC 310.1 Introduction to the History and Culture of Spain 3 Hours
The history of Spain from its beginnings in the stone age through the great social and economic upheavals of the twentieth century.

AHC 310.3 The Ancient Middle East 3 Hours
Survey the history of the Middle East from the beginning of the Neolithic period (9000 BCE) through the invasion of the region by Alexander the Great in 332 BCE and into the pre-Islamic era.

AHC 310.4 The Premodern World 3 Hours
Survey of world history from human origins to the sixteenth century.

AHC 310.5 The Medieval Millennium in Europe 3 Hours
Explore new conceptions of medieval Europe by examining how the social practices, ideas, and institutions of the middle ages developed through interactions with Europe's neighbors.

AHC 310.6 Medieval Material Culture 3 Hours
Explore the history of medieval Europe primarily through the lens of material culture.

AHC 310.7 Gods and Goddesses of India 3 Hours
Explore a variety of gods and goddesses who have dominated the sacred landscapes of India and beyond, especially North America, from the past until now. Examine various issues relating to patriarchy, power, gender, sexuality, social hierarchy, and devotion.

AHC 319D The Ancient Mediterranean World 3 Hours
Survey of the ancient Mediterranean from ca. 3000 BC to AD 476. Focus on the development of ideas and institutions in the Greek and Roman worlds and on the active cultural exchange among the diverse civilizations of the broader region that shaped Greek and Roman history and cultural identity.

AHC 119S, 219S, 319S, 419S, 519S, 619S, 719S, 819S, 919S Topics in Ancient History 1-9 Hours
This course is used to record credit the student earns while enrolled at another institution in a program administered by the University's Study Abroad Office. Credit is recorded as assigned by the study abroad adviser in the ancient history and classical civilization program. University credit is awarded for work in an exchange program; it may be counted as coursework taken in residence. Transfer credit is awarded for work in an affiliated studies program.

AHC 325 Topics in Ancient History 3 Hours
Topics in the history of the Greek and Roman empires and the surrounding area.

AHC 325.1 The History of Rome: The Republic 3 Hours
A survey of Roman history from the founding of Rome to the death of Julius Caesar.

AHC 325.10 Ancient Slavery 3 Hours
Examine the practices of slavery in the ancient Mediterranean world, focusing on the case of Rome.

AHC 325.13 The Ancient Historians 3 Hours
Examines the main works of ancient historiography, and provides grounding in the central issues with which these works engage.

AHC 325.15 Civil War in Rome 3 Hours
Examines the sequence of civil conflict in Rome from the struggle of the orders through the rise of Constantine the Great.

AHC 325.16 Romans in Court 3 Hours
Examine how Roman law operated at three levels of granularity, focusing mainly on attested disputes that made it to court for resolution.

AHC 325.17 Ruling the Roman Republic 3 Hours
Examine the core question about the way the Late Roman Republic was governed: To what extent and in what ways was the Republic "democratic or not?"

AHC 325.2 The History of Rome: The Empire 3 Hours
A survey of the Roman world from Augustus to Constantine the Great.

AHC 325.6 Alexander the Great and the Hellenistic World 3 Hours
History of Asia, Egypt, and the Mediterranean world from Alexander's expedition to Asia to Rome's defeat of the last of the Hellenistic monarchs at Actium (ca. 334 to 31 BC).

AHC 325.7 Archaic and Classical Greece 3 Hours
Survey of Greek history from the emergence of the city-states to the rise of Macedonia.

AHC 325.8 Archaeology of Greek Prehistory 3 Hours
Explore the development of complex societies in ancient Greece by studying its prehistory through archaeology.

AHC 325.9 Roots of Democracy 3 Hours
Examine the historical development and ideological underpinnings of Athenian democracy, the first known democracy, from the sixth to fourth centuries BCE. Explore a broad range of primary sources and some secondary scholarships and gain a familiarity with the key principles and practices of this unique participatory government in its political, historical, and intellectual context.

AHC 129S, 229S, 329S, 429S, 529S, 629S, 729S, 829S, 929S Topics in Ancient History 1-9 Hours
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AHC 330 Topics in Premodern History 3 Hours
Topics in premodern history with emphasis on regions outside of the ancient Mediterranean world.

AHC 330.1 The Dead Sea Scrolls 3 Hours

AHC 330.2 Epics and Heroes of India 3 Hours
Focus on India's classical epics, the Mahabharata and the Ramayana, with emphasis placed on understanding the epic characters in relation to the heroic traditions of premodern India, as well as on the role of the epics in contemporary Indian political and religious culture.

AHC 330.4 Lost Languages and Decipherment 3 Hours

AHC 330.5 The Crusades 3 Hours
An exploration of the religious encounters between eastern and western Christians, Christian heretics, Jews, Muslims, and polytheists; political, military, and cultural changes of the high middle ages; and the ways that crusading ideas and symbols have been reused in contemporary politics and popular culture.

AHC 330.6 Machiavelli: Politics and Culture 3 Hours
Through Niccolò Machiavelli's chief writings, consider the local, regional, Mediterranean, European, and global aspects of his work.

AHC 330.7 Great Works In Medicine 3 Hours
Examine signature works in the history of medicine.

AHC 330.8 Twelfth-Century Renaissance: 1050-1200 3 Hours

An examination of social, cultural, and intellectual developments in eleventh- and twelfth-century Europe.

AHC 330C Death and the Afterlife in Ancient China 3 Hours

Investigate ancient Chinese beliefs and practices surrounding death and the afterlife from the Neolithic era to the arrival of Buddhism. Explore tombs, burial objects, and funeral rites; philosophical essays and historical accounts; medical practices; religious relics, tokens, and talismans; ghost stories; poetry; and paintings.

AHC 378 Topics in Undergraduate Seminar in Ancient History 3 Hours

Lectures, discussion, reading, and research on selected topics in Greek and Roman history.

AHC 378.1 Roman Law 3 Hours

Introduction to Roman law with close study of primary sources.

AHC 378.10 Roman Social History 3 Hours

Examine Roman social history: family structure and demography, gender systems, official social hierarchies, urban/rural interactions and labor. Consideration both of primary evidence and the historiography of the field.

AHC 378.2 Aegean Prehistory 3 Hours

Traces political, social, economic, and general cultural developments on Crete and the Greek mainland between roughly 2200 and 1100 BCE.

AHC 378.3 Writing Ancient History Today 3 Hours

Questions that engage ancient historians today and the methods that they use. Some background in ancient Greek history is recommended.

AHC 378.4 The Athenian Empire 3 Hours

Explores Athenian society, democracy, and empire from the development of Athenian hegemony in the 470s BCE through the break up of the Athenian Empire in 404 BCE.

AHC 378.5 Space and Place 3 Hours

Multidisciplinary approach to the cultural concepts of space and place using Greek and Roman literary, historical, and archaeological sources.

AHC 378.6 Ancient Sparta 3 Hours

Examines topics and problems in the social, political and economic history of the ancient city-state of Sparta.

AHC 378.7 Cognitive History of the Ancient World 3 Hours

Examines aspects of the organization of thought in the ancient world.

AHC 378.8 Herodotus, Ethnography, and Archaeology 3 Hours

Explore the ethnographic component of the Histories of Herodotus.

AHC 378.9 Literacy, Numeracy, and Visuality 3 Hours

Analyze literacy, numeracy, and visuality, that is "reading" and "writing" by means of visual representations, largely by tracing the history of how modern scholars have analyzed those practices.