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SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY

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A four-year BA program taught in English, devoted to the study of Greek Antiquity. The program is offered by the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, based in its School of Philosophy. Aimed at international students, it offers the unique opportunity to study the culture of ancient Greece while acquiring first-hand knowledge of some of Greece’s most important archaeological monuments and sites, such as the Athenian Acropolis and the Parthenon, Delphi and Olympia.

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Overview

The program offers a wide-ranging degree on ancient Greek culture. Students are given the opportunity to study the archaeological monuments and the history of Greece and familiarize themselves with the ancient Greek language through the systematic analysis of important ancient texts. The curriculum also includes a number of classes in Modern Greek, offered free of charge to all students during the first year of their studies. The interdisciplinary nature of the program encourages students to think both critically and imaginatively, write well-structured essays, as well as interpret complex sets of data.

On-site instruction

All archaeology classes include field trips to archaeological sites and museums within Athens and its environs; in addition, students are expected to participate in a series of longer field trips around Greece, including the Peloponnese, Central Greece and Macedonia, along with the islands of Santorini, Naxos, and Crete. Students are also welcome to attend, on a voluntary basis and subject to their academic schedule, the Departmental Archaeological Excavation in Marathon (April / May).
The BA Program in the Archaeology, History and Literature of Ancient Greece brings together three collaborating disciplines from the field of Classics: the Program’s multi-disciplinary curriculum, taught by a diverse staff consisting of highly specialized academics and senior researchers, combines the strengths of the three disciplines in a single, innovative Degree.

Archaeology

The Program includes a systematic survey of prehistoric and Classical Greek archaeology and art. The first six semesters feature course topics such as Minoan and Mycenaean Prehistory, the social significance of ancient Greek art and iconography, the development of ancient Greek architecture and city planning and the relations of the Greek world to the civilisations of the eastern Mediterranean, such as the Hittites, the Egyptians and the Persians. The seventh and eighth semesters feature two seminars that afford in-depth study of specific archaeological topics. The Program places great emphasis upon on-site classes in museums and archaeological sites in Greece, as well as upon hands-on instruction in the University Museum of Archaeology and History of Art and the archaeological excavations at Marathon.

History

Roughly one third of the Program overall consists of History classes: beginning with an Introduction to Historical Studies in the first semester, students are guided through Greek history with a series of courses on the Greek polis, Alexander the Great and Hellenistic Greece, Greece and Rome, history of religion and sports, as well as a more specialized course in the study of inscriptions and a seminar on the artistic and historical significance of Greek coins.

Ancient Greek Literature

The Program offers a wide range of courses on ancient Greek literature, across its main periods and most important genres. During the first six semesters, students receive intensive instruction in the Ancient Greek language. They read major authors and genres of Greek literature in the original, including Homer and epic, drama, historiography (Herodotus, Thucydides, Xenophon), philosophy and oratory, as well as the world of ancient papyri. Courses in religion and myth broaden their understanding of Greek culture and its continuity in the Roman era. The study of literary masterpieces of the Roman world, with focus on the interactions between Greek and Roman literature, enables students to understand the importance of the ancient world for the Western tradition and the contemporary world.
Who may apply

The program is available to international citizens, and is suitable for high school graduates with an interest in the ancient world and its cultural and intellectual achievements. Furthermore, the BA aspires to attract candidates who wish to acquire a broad liberal education with emphasis on original and avant-garde thinking. The four years are divided into eight semesters. The first year offers a number of foundation courses in the history and culture of ancient Greece, as well as an introduction to the methodology of the respective academic fields of archaeology, history and philology. The second and third years are devoted to the systematic study of ancient Greece, while the fourth year offers an array of specialized courses and seminars.

Undergraduate Merit Scholarships for the Academic Year 2021–2022

Three Merit Scholarships were offered by the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens to successful applicants who wished to pursue the “BA program in the Archaeology, History, and Literature of Ancient Greece”, commencing in fall 2021. The results were decided by a three-member committee based on the Scholarship eligibility and selection criteria, out of a total of sixteen (16) applications received.
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- International Baccalaureate or Senior High School Graduation Certificate (indicative average grade: 70% or equivalent).
- Certificate of competency in English (not required for native speakers):
  - TOEFL:
    Overall score of 88 or above, with at least 17 in Listening, 17 in Writing, 18 in Reading and 20 in Speaking.
  - IELTS:
    Overall score of 6.5 or above, with at least 5.5 in each component.
  
  *First Certificate in English (FCE): B2*

Tuition fees

6,000 Euros per academic year, to be paid in two installments, by late August and late January. A deposit may be required in order to secure a place in the program.

Student Visa

No visa is required for studies to enter Greece if you possess a valid passport from any EU country, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway or Switzerland. Applicants from non Schengen countries need a student visa. The length of time needed to acquire a student visa differs from country to country. Applicants are encouraged to communicate, as soon as possible, with the Greek Embassy in their country for information regarding the procedure and the time required for the conclusion of the process. Therefore, we strongly encourage you to shortly submit a complete application, in case you are interested in the BA in the Archaeology, History, and Literature of Ancient Greece.

Our administration staff provide all necessary support to student-visa-applicants through communication with the Greek Consular Authorities, as well as towards their application for a Greek residence permit within 90 days of their arrival in Greece.
RESOURCES

Students registered with the Program have full access to a number of excellent facilities placed in the heart of our University's academic community:

- The School of Philosophy Building, on the University's Zografou Campus (see map), houses a number of classrooms and lecture theaters, in addition to two computer rooms and an archaeology lab.

- The School of Philosophy Library, adjacent to the School's main building, specializes in archaeology, history (ancient and modern), and in classical and modern languages. The School library holds the country's second largest collection of books dating from the 16th c. to the present day, including approximately 500,000 books, papyri and manuscripts, 20,000 rare editions, 3,800 journal titles, and about 4,000 audiovisual and photographic documents.

- The School's Archaeology and History of Art Museum, also housed in the School's main building, with excellent study collections covering Greek prehistory, Early, Classical and post-Classical Greece, a collection of rocks and minerals, a Cast Gallery spanning Greek sculpture from the 12th c. BC to the Roman period, a Medieval and Byzantine Collection, and an important Collection of Modern Greek Art.

- The University's Modern Greek Language Teaching Center, devoted to the teaching of Modern Greek as a foreign language, but also offering access to a wide selection of speaking practice and Ancient Greek courses. The University's Foreign Language Teaching Center, on the other hand, offers a range of 25 Modern languages at all levels - from English, French, and German to Arabic, Japanese, Chinese, Korean and many more.
• The School’s Restaurant, also in the main building, provides its services to all members of the University studying and working on the Zografou Campus. Student cards provide special discounts on meals, while students have also access to the Building’s two cafeterias.

• Further facilities situated on Zografou Campus include the University Gym and Swimming Pool, the University Nursery, a Campus Medical Office and First Aid Center, and a Student Counseling Center. Students may also choose to get involved with the University’s Theater, Dance, Cinema, and Photography Clubs.

• The University’s Accessibility Unit for Students with Disabilities aims to actively realize coequal access to academic studies for students with different abilities and needs, through built environmental modifications, Assistive Technologies and access services.

• The University Service of the Student Ombudsman, finally, aims at: assisting students with any problem they might face with academic and administrative services; facilitating student contact with the Institution and its administrative services; reviewing student complaints regarding law violations, or acts going against university legislation and ethics; informing students about their rights and obligations as members of the academic community.
CURRICULUM

1st Semester (30 ECTS)

1.01 Introduction to the Discipline of Archaeology (8 ECTS)
This course provides an introduction to the basics of Archaeology. It starts with a short history of the discipline, from the emergence of curiosity about the past in the Renaissance to the constitution of Archaeology in the 19th century and the important milestones regarding its theory, methods and techniques in the 20th century. In addition, the course examines a series of key-concepts, such as the “archaeological site”, the “archaeological record” and the “archaeological context”. It also reviews the main types and methods of fieldwork and laboratory analysis and discusses the different types of research questions that guide the study and interpretation of the material remains of past people with the aim of understanding their social life.

1.02 Introduction to Historical Studies (8 ECTS)
An introduction to the sources and methods for studying Ancient History. The course will examine literary sources, inscriptions, coins and material culture. Students will learn how to combine different types of sources to answer questions about the past. They will also be trained to adopt a critical approach towards each type of source.

1.03 Ancient Greek Literature: an overview (8 ECTS)
This course aims to introduce students into the riches of the Greek literary tradition by offering a chronologically laid out survey of periods, genres, and best known authors of Greek literature. Early Greek epic and lyric poetry, fifth-century Athenian drama, classical historiography and oratory, Plato and Aristotle, Hellenistic poetry, and imperial Greek literature will be the major thematic stops of this course. Selected passages of the texts, all translated in English, will be woven into lectures in order to familiarize students with the rich literary production of Greek Antiquity.

1.04 Greek I (Greek for Beginners I) (6 ECTS)
This course aims to introduce students to the ancient Greek language (Attic dialect), including the study of grammar, syntax, and the reading of selected texts. Students will be provided with the knowledge of Classical Greek language and the principles of sentence construction sufficient to translate simple passages of Greek prose into English.

CURRICULUM

2nd Semester (30 ECTS)

2.01 Aegean Civilizations: a survey (8 ECTS)

This course comprises a comprehensive introduction to the Prehistoric Archaeology of the Aegean from the beginning of the 7th to the end of the 2nd millennium BC. It reviews the social and cultural evolution in Mainland Greece, Crete and the Cycladic islands from the first farming communities of the Neolithic period to the complex societies of the Minoan and Mycenaean palaces of the Middle and Late Bronze Age. Emphasis is placed upon the topography of the major archaeological sites, architecture, burial customs, pottery, frescoes and other arts and crafts, such as metallurgy, seal engraving and ivory work, which are discussed within the social and cultural context of the Eastern Mediterranean civilizations.

2.02 Ancient Greek Art: an overview (8 ECTS)

From the Trojan War and its aftermath in the 12th c. BC, to the onset of Alexander's campaign in the late 4th, this course explores Ancient Greece through its art and archaeology: sculpture, pottery and vase-painting, architecture and city-planning are systematically assessed through carefully chosen examples and case studies in order to provide an informative survey of Greek art and its development during its most crucial phase. The course also offers a discussion of sources and methodology, matters of chronology, informative accounts on techniques, styles, and subject matter, and terminology.

2.03 The History of the Greek Polis (8 ECTS)

The course will begin with the study of the origins and basic features of the Greek polis in the Archaic period. It will then examine the development of political institutions in the Classical period. The students will concentrate on Homer and Hesiod and the developments of the 7th and the 6th centuries BCE. Law, early institutions as well as the fear of tyranny and the methods of the tyrants will be analyzed. The phenomenon of Greek colonization, as well as the formation of Greek identity through contacts with others overseas will also be covered. The years between the end of the Lydian kingdom and the battle of Chaeronea will be studied by combining literary, epigraphic and numismatic evidence.

2.04 Greek II (Greek for Beginners II) (6 ECTS)

This course is an introduction to the ancient Greek language and follows on from Greek I (Greek for Beginners I). It includes study of grammar and syntax and reading of selected texts. Students will be provided with the knowledge of Classical Greek language and principles of sentence construction sufficient to translate simple passages of Greek prose into English.

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3rd Semester (30 ECTS)

3.01 Prehistoric Crete: Minoan Palatial Society (8 ECTS)
This course is devoted to the archaeology of Prehistoric Crete during the time of the palaces, namely the first half of the 2nd millennium BC. It examines the form, function and social significance of the great palatial compounds, as well as of the so-called “villas”. Other topics of this course include the main characteristics of pottery styles, the repertory of the wall-paintings and the vast range of seal engraving, metal, ivory and faience work. Special attention is paid to the organization of society, the exploitation of economic resources and the palatial administration system, the external/commercial contacts and the cult and other ceremonial practices on Crete during the period in question.

3.02 Ancient Greek Topography and Architecture (8 ECTS)
From Athens and Sparta to the Hellenistic Kingdoms of Macedon, Ptolemaic Egypt, and Seleucid Syria, Greek architects created ambitious structures in order to house religious, political, and social activities: temples and palaces, gymnasia, stadiums, and theatres, as well as houses and tombs, offer to the modern scholar a valuable glimpse into the society they once served. The course undertakes a systematic survey of Greek sites and monuments, from the 8th to the 1st c. BC, in order to establish the main developments in architecture and city planning, as well as their impact on Greek culture.

3.03 Greek Historical Texts: Thucydides (8 ECTS)
This course is an introduction to Thucydides’ Historiography. The course includes reading and interpretation of selected chapters of Thucydides’ Histories, which will familiarize the students with the basic themes and the language of Thucydides’ work, analysis from a historical and narratological perspective, and discussion of the literary aspects of Thucydides’ historical account.

3.04 Greek III (Intermediate Greek I) (6 ECTS)
This course aims to develop student’s knowledge of the Greek language from the level achieved at the end of the Greek II course to the point where they will have mastered most of the grammar and syntax of Attic Greek. At the end of this course students should be able to translate short prose passages from Greek into English.


4th Semester (30 ECTS)

4.01 Archaeology of the Mycenaean World (8 ECTS)
This course is a detailed introduction to the emergence, growth and collapse of the Mycenaean civilization, which appeared in Mainland Greece and the Aegean during the Late Bronze Age, or the second half of the 2nd millennium BC. It focuses on the topography of major sites and their material culture, including the citadels and palaces, the basic tomb types and the various arts and crafts, such as pottery, frescoes and metal work, ivory, seals and jewelry. Such a review of Mycenaean material culture aims to illuminate the structure and function of Late Bronze Age society in mainland Greece and the Aegean, including its economic and cultural connections with the east and central Mediterranean.
4.02 Greek Art: Images and Meanings (8 ECTS)

Classical Greece has been described as a “world of images”: every public or private space – from sanctuaries, agoras, and houses to cemeteries – contained artistic renderings of scenes from the mythical past, recent historical events, or the life of the city. Moreover, from the 8th BC on, narrative scenes graced most Greek artefacts, including clothing, jewellery, coinage, and the ever-present pottery. The present course undertakes a systematic survey of Greek iconography during the 1st millennium BC, including the study of the main mythological or generic themes and their interpretation in a variety of media: from sculpture, painting, and pottery to architecture and the luxury arts (jewels, coins, seals).

4.03 Studying Greek History through Inscriptions (8 ECTS)

The course will be an extended introduction to Greek Epigraphy, Greek documents written on stone. The various types of epigraphic documents, which shed light on different aspects of public and private life, will be studied: decrees, edicts, letters of Kings and emperors to the Greek cities, arbitrations, honorary inscriptions, dedications, funerary documents, lists of victors in athletic and musical games. The analysis of the documents will include the historical background. Issues regarding historical topography, prosopography and numismatics will also be examined.

4.04 Greek IV (Intermediate Greek II) (6 ECTS)

This course aims to further develop students’ knowledge of the Greek language from the level achieved at the end of Greek III to the point where they will have consolidated all regular grammar forms and syntactical constructions and be able to read and translate original Greek texts.


5th Semester (30 ECTS)

5.01 Greece and the Eastern Mediterranean (8 ECTS)

This course surveys the great kingdoms and empires that arose in the Eastern Mediterranean from the middle of the 2nd to the middle of the 1st millennium BC. It will study the developments that led to the creation of the first territorial states in the Near East and then focus on the Great Kingdoms of the Hittites, the Mitanni, and the Egyptians during the Late Bronze Age, as well as the Assyrian, Babylonian and Persian empires during the first mil. BC. An emphasis is placed on the Hittite, Egyptian, Syrian, Assyrian, Babylonian and Persian textual evidence about the Aegean.

5.02 Alexander to Cleopatra: History of the Hellenistic Period (8 ECTS)

The course will begin with a chronological outline of the period going from the campaigns of Alexander to the sea-battle of Actium and the end of the Macedonian dynasty of Egypt. It will then examine the structure of the Hellenistic monarchies, the relations with the Greek cities, the wars between the different kingdoms, the foundation of federal states, as well as life in the Hellenistic metropoleis, such as Alexandria, religion and culture, developments in judicial practices such as the use of foreign judges, the foundation of festivals and games, and the introduction of the Egyptian deities.
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5.03  Greek Drama: Texts and Images (8 ECTS)
This course will give students the chance to study a selection of the plays of the great masters of Greek drama, that is, Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Aristophanes, and Menander. The course will place their works into their ritual and performative context, will demonstrate their relation to literary and cultural traditions, their interaction with the political and intellectual climate of classical Athens, and will look into the evolution of the tragic and comic genre. Within the frame of the course students will have the chance to study the depiction of theatre scenes in ceramic vases and visit the ancient theatre of Dionysus below the Acropolis.

5.04  Greek V (Advanced Greek I) (6 ECTS)
The aim of this course is to further develop students’ ability to read and understand Greek prose texts. Core reading will be a selection of texts of the great Ten Attic Orators (mostly of Lysias, Isocrates, and Demosthenes) in the original language which will be provided by the course teacher. By the end of this course, students should be trained in close reading, analysis of form, content, and context of original Greek prose texts.

6th Semester (30 ECTS)

6.01  Hellenistic Art (8 ECTS)
The course covers the Art and Archaeology of the Hellenistic period, that is from the campaign against Persia led by Alexander the Great in the later 4th c. BC to the Battle of Actium in 31 BC. Architecture and city-planning, sculpture and painting, pottery, terracotas and the minor arts, are some of the topics covered, including special reference to the arts of Macedonia and the Greek mainland, Alexandria and Ptolemaic Egypt, Pergamon, Syria and the Hellenistic East, as well as Art under Roman patronage and influence.

6.02  History of the Greek Religion (8 ECTS)
The course covers the emergence, establishment, and further development of religious ideas and practices in the Greek world from the 2nd millennium BC until the Late Roman period. Following an introductory survey of prehistoric religion and its impact on the Art and the Archaeology of Greece (including Neolithic, Cycladic, and Minoan cultures), we study the Mycenaean, Early Iron Age, Archaic, Classical, Hellenistic and Imperial periods, focusing primarily on texts and images. Additional emphasis will be placed on archaeological remains related to religious beliefs and practices, including sanctuaries, shrines and various branches of “sacred” art.

6.03  Greek Historical Texts: Herodotus (8 ECTS)
This course aims to familiarize students with the language, basic topics, and more significant methodological problems of Herodotus’ work through the study of the first book of the Histories because of its programmatic function for the whole work of Herodotus. Each class will focus on reading a selection of English translated passages from the first book of the Histories. Topics considered, dominant in the current scholarship on Herodotus, will include: Herodotus’ prose predecessors and the poetry of the past, Herodotus as a historian, the so-called ‘compositional question’ regarding his work, his attitude to the divine, causation, and alterity in the Histories.
The aim of this course is to further develop students’ ability to read and understand Greek poetic texts. Core reading will be a selection of poetic texts (e.g. passages from Homeric hymns, Euripides' tragedies, and Menander's comedies) in the original language which will be provided by the course teacher. By the end of this course, students should be trained in close reading, analysis of form, content, and context of original Greek poetic texts.

7th Semester (34 ECTS)

7.01 Greek Athletics and the History of Sport (8 ECTS)

Athletics and sportsmanship were among the most characteristic expressions of Greek culture. Through grand-scale events such as the Olympic Games, the Greeks monumentalized physical excellence, elevated competitive spirit to religious status, and created special buildings (stadiums, gymnasiums etc) in order to serve sport and its mentality. The fact that modern athletics retain ancient sports (such as the pentathlon, discus- and javelin-throwing, boxing, wrestling and running), is an evidence of the strong impact of ancient Greece and a testament to the longevity of the values of competition, victory and accomplishment. The course covers ancient sport in its many facets - from types of games and competitions to literary and archaeological evidence, as well as the rich classical imagery depicting Greek athletics.

7.02 Homer and Greek Mythology (8 ECTS)

An introduction to the two great epic poems ascribed to Homer, the Iliad and the Odyssey, which stand at the beginning of Greek literature as models and points of reference that defined the Greek and Roman culture in general. Topics addressed will be mythological background, composition, structure, narrative, characterisation, social values, morality, representation of the divine, political organisation, and placing of the two epic poems within the cultural context of the archaic period.

7.03 Reading Greek and Papyri (8 ECTS)

This course aims to help students further develop and apply the knowledge of Ancient Greek they have accumulated during the previous semesters. Participants will be introduced to Greek Papyrology and will be taught to read and interpret Greek literary and documentary papyri. Modern techniques including the application of relevant digital tools and employment of all available electronic resources will be used. Teaching will be based on the study of papyri and ostraca through photographs and photocopies of the originals. Finally, this course will acquaint students with the main forms taken by Greek bookhands and cursive scripts from the Hellenistic period to the eighth century AD.

7.04 Undergraduate Seminar* (10 ECTS)
8th Semester (34 ECTS)

8.01 Greece and Rome: a historical survey (8 ECTS)
Students will go through the early confrontation between Greek cities of Southern Italy and Rome, Rome’s involvement in the Illyrian wars, Rome’s alliances with Greek cities and confederacies, the three Macedonian wars, the declaration of the freedom of the Greeks by Flamininus, the Antiochic war and the peace of Apamea. The establishment of Rome in mainland Greece from the 2nd century B.C., the relations of cities of Asia Minor and Rome, as well as Rome and the Attalid kingdom will be studied using literary sources such as Polybius and Appian, a selection of Greek inscriptions, namely treaties between Rome and a number of cities, and the numismatic output of Greek cities produced to finance the Roman army. The impact of the Mithridatic wars and the Roman civil wars ending at the very end of this period, on the Greek world will be presented with newly published epigraphic evidence.

8.02 Greek Philosophy: Plato and Aristotle (8 ECTS)
Plato and Aristotle are the greatest and most famous philosophers of ancient Greece. This course will introduce the students to the key elements of their thought. We will discuss Plato’s views on the soul and its immortality, on Eros and its role in human life, on the Forms and the Form of the Good, on the ideal city-state. Our discussion will be mainly based on the Phaedrus and the Republic, two of Plato’s most widely read dialogues. Moreover, we will also consider Aristotle’s views on the soul in the treatise that bears this title (On the soul) and his views on happiness in the Nicomachean Ethics.

8.03 Ancient Greeks at War: Xenophon (8 ECTS)
This course is an introduction to Xenophon’s works. The course includes reading and interpretation of selected chapters of Xenophon’s Hellenica, a work which covers the final seven years of the Peloponnesian War, not covered by Thucydides, and the war’s aftermath (until 362 BC). The course will raise students’ awareness on the basic themes and the language of Xenophon’s work, analysis from a historical and narratological perspective, and discussion of the literary aspects of Xenophon’s historical account. By the end of this course, they should know the main events and the context (political, cultural, literary) of the last years of the Peloponnesian War and its ensuing years, and understand how literary knowledge contributes to the knowledge of ancient Greek warfare.

8.04 Undergraduate Seminar* (10 ECTS)

*At least four seminars available every semester; topics may include:
1. Funerary Practices and the Archaeology of Ancestors
2. Household Archaeology: Prehistoric Greece
3. Household Archaeology: the Classical World
4. Landscape Archaeology
5. From Macedonia to Gandhara and beyond: Art and Archaeology of the Hellenistic East
6. Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and the Imperial Period
7. Greek Numismatics, Monetary Policies, and the Economy

Tutorials and masterclasses
In addition to the above courses, extra tutorials and masterclasses are offered to students of the program during the first academic years. For instance, tutorials in Archaeology, English language and terminology, lectures on Modern Greek culture, as well as on current scientific issues of a wide interest, are also included.
All courses are taught by Professors and senior research staff (full-time or adjunct), based at the School of Philosophy of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Teaching and supervision are tailored to the specific needs of overseas students, especially those not familiar with life in Greece. The Program Professors coordinate and teach all courses and on-site classes, as well as lead all educational field trips.

ACADEMIC DIRECTOR

KARAMALENGOU ELENI
Professor of Latin literature

Eleni Karamalengou Professor of Latin literature at the Faculty of Philology and Director of the BA in Archaeology, History and Culture of Ancient Greece, holds a BA (1975) in Classical Philology from the Faculty of Philology, of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (UoA), a D.E.A. (1976) in Classical Studies (Études Classiques) from Sorbonne (Paris IV) and a PhD (1979) in Latin literature also from the Sorbonne (Paris IV). She has been a member of the Staff of the Faculty Philology at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens since 1980, rising to the rank of Professor in 2006, while in August 2019 she completed a five-year long tenure as Dean of the School of Philosophy. Her teaching and research interests comprise Roman Rhetoric and Latin Literature of the Augustan Age, and she has taught a variety of courses on the above topics at the Faculty of Philology, both at the undergraduate and the graduate level. She has also supervised numerous MA and PhD theses.
ANEZIRI SOPHIA  
Asst. Professor of Ancient History

Sophia Aneziri holds a BA from the Department of History and Archaeology of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (1989) and a PhD in Ancient History and Greek Epigraphy of the Ruprecht-Karls University at Heidelberg (Germany, 1997), where she studied with scholarships of the Greek state and the state of Baden-Württemberg. She worked as adjunct faculty in the Universities of Corfu (Ionion), Crete, Thessaly and at the Hellenic Open University and as contract researcher in the National Research Center. She is a member of the Department of History and Archaeology of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens since 2004. She teaches various modules in Ancient History and Greek Epigraphy, at both undergraduate and post-graduate level.

BAZOU ATHENA  
Lecturer of Ancient Greek Literature

Athena Bazou holds a BA in Classics from the Faculty of Philology of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (N.K.U.A.), an MA in Ancient Greek Literature (University of Paris IV- Sorbonne), a MA in European Studies - National and European Educational Policy (University Paris III-Nouvelle Sorbonne) and a PhD in Ancient Greek Literature (University of Paris IV-Sorbonne). She worked as a Project Manager (EU- funded Educational Projects) in the R & D Department of Ellinogermaniki Agogi (2000-2002), while she was involved in Open and Distance Learning courses at the Hellenic Open University for 19 years, as a Member of the Teaching Staff,Technical Coordinator and Content Developer. She also worked as a Researcher for the Academy of Athens, on Greek and Latin Literature (2003-2012), while she has been a staff member of the Department of Philology of the N.K.U.A. since 2013. She has taught Ancient Greek Language, Palaeography, Ancient Greek Medicine, Ancient Greek Science, Philosophy (Plato-Aristotle), Ancient Oratory, both on undergraduate and postgraduate level at the N.K.U.A., and Ancient Greek Medicine at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Department of Medicine, Postgraduate course in the History of Medicine). She has published articles on Galen, Plato, Oriental Tradition of Medical Texts and Ancient Science.

CARVOUNIS AIKATERINI-NINA  
Assistant Professor of Ancient Greek Literature

Aikaterini (Katerina) Carvounis is an Assistant Professor of Ancient Greek Literature at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. She holds a first degree, an MA (1999) and an MPhil (2000) in Classics, from Murray Edwards College (New Hall), Cambridge, as well as a doctoral degree DPhil (2005) in Classical Languages and Literature, from St.Anne's College, Oxford. Subsequently, she was a British Academy Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Faculty of Classics, Cambridge (2005-2008), where she also became an Affiliated Lecturer and a Fellow of Murray Edwards College. She teaches courses on early hexameter poetry and later Greek literature in the Department of Philology at the University of Athens, while she has also published many books around these areas.

GARANI MYRTO  
Assistant Professor of Latin Literature

Myrto Garani holds a BA in Classics (Department of Philology,Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, 1998), an MA in Classics (University College London, UK, 1999) and she obtained her PhD in Classics from King's College London (UK, 2005), with the support of a Leventis Foundation Scholarship. She has worked as adjunct faculty at the University of Patras (2005-2009) and then at The College of Global Studies at Arcadia (Athens, 2009-2011). She has been a member of the Faculty of Philology of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens since 2011. She teaches various modules in Latin Literature and Language, on both undergraduate and postgraduate levels.
GIANNAKOPOULOS NIKOS
Associate Professor of Ancient History

Nikos Giannakopoulos graduated from the University of Athens in 1995 and obtained his PhD from the same University in 2004. He has taught Ancient History in the University of Thessaloniki (2006-2018) and he is currently an Associate Professor of Ancient History in the University of Athens. He has published two monographs and several articles on the Hellenistic and the Roman Imperial Periods. His research focuses on the Greek city in the Roman Period (institutions, politics, society), on Hellenistic and Roman Euboea, on crime and the preservation of order in the Roman East and on the reception of Classical Greece in the Roman Imperial Period.

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The Main School Building, the Library and the Modern Greek Language Teaching Centre are within walking distance to each other.

There are 3 available entrances to the campus:

- the western entrance, the main entrance at Olof Palme Street
- the eastern entrance, at the cemetery of Zografou and very close to the School of Philosophy
- the southern entrance, from the borough of Kessariani

Transport to and from the University campus is frequent and the area is served by several public transport busses.

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- **Route 220:** Acadimia (city centre) - Ano Ilisia
- **Route 221:** Acadimia (city centre) - University campus
- **Route 230:** Acadimia (city centre) - Zografou
- **Route 235:** Acadimia (city centre) - Zografou
- **Route 250:** University campus - Evaggelismos hospital
- **Route 608:** Galatsi - Acadimia (city centre) - cemetery of Zografou
- **Route E90:** Piraeus - University campus (Express)