



# Studying the Past

## Ancient History – Stage 4

**Feeding curiosity of students and fostering an interest in the study of the humanities and social sciences through active and tactile learning experiences**

*Studying the Past* is Macquarie University's Faculty of Arts' education and engagement initiative which facilitates engaging curriculum-linked workshops and programs for Modern and Ancient History students. The program links the discipline expertise of academics and researchers from the Department of History and Archaeology with schools and community groups.

The Ancient History Stage 4 **excursion program**, based at Macquarie University's Wallumattagal Campus, North Ryde, offers concurrent workshops on Ancient Rome, Greece, and Egypt. Included in this program is a tour of the new Macquarie University History Museum. Students rotate through workshops in groups capped at 30 students. Each workshop allows students to consolidate their knowledge through various activities that concentrate on different curriculum aspects.

Due to time restraints, a maximum of 6 workshops can be run in one day with a total of 180 students onsite. If your cohort is larger than this, our team can work with you to tailor a program that fits your needs.

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### Pricing

Just as our programs are tailored to suit the needs of each individual school and students, so too are the cost of our programs. As such, a quote for our programs will be offered after consultation with staff.

The *Studying the Past* team and the Department of History and Archaeology are dedicated in ensuring this program is affordable for all students, with an aim of fostering equitable opportunities for all. Please let staff know if you reside in a lower socio-economic community as we would be more than happy to work something out for you.

Attached are expression of interest forms. For booking enquires and further information, contact us at

**[arts.historyprograms@mq.edu.au](mailto:arts.historyprograms@mq.edu.au)**

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This incursion fit beautifully with our current unit of work Investigating History. It allowed students to access authentic information about archaeology in practice and encouraged students to think critically about the physical remains of the past – *Patrician Brothers College, 2020*

Thank you for a wonderful bridge between Investigating the Ancient Past and our topic on Egypt. It also extended some of our more capable History students. Also, an opportunity for kids who wouldn't normally visit Macquarie – *Gilgandra High School, 2020*



### Ancient Rome Program

#### **Archaeology in Practice**

ACDSEH001  
ACDSEH029  
ACDSEH040  
ACHHS210  
ACSIS125  
ACSIS130

Students learn archaeological methods and put into practice their skills in interpretation and deduction. Students excavate, translate an ancient script, study human remains, interpret objects and reconstruct ceramic vessels to deduce key facts of an archaeological site and the people associated with the site.

#### **History Mystery**

ACDSEH038-040  
ACHHS210

History Mystery puts students' investigative skills into practice. Focusing on the roles of key groups in Roman society and the geographic breadth of the Empire, students work in small groups analysing objects and determining their ancient context. Students learn about the value of material culture and the unparalleled information it provides archaeologists and historians about the ancient past.

#### **Roman Weaponry**

ACDSEH039

In this highly tactile workshop, students learn key terms for weaponry and battle tactics that characterised Roman warfare. They are given a first-hand experience of Roman weaponry and soldiers' daily life experiences in the Roman Empire through handling (and wearing) of Roman armaments and armour.

#### **Onsite Insights**

ACDSEH001-002  
ACDSEH029  
ACDSEH033  
ACHHS210

This interactive seminar provides students with a first-hand account of a current Macquarie University archaeological excavation. Students see behind-the-scenes photos and videos of archaeologists' daily life and work (note images of ancient human remains may be shown). This seminar focuses on the *Varvaria-Breberium-Bribir Archaeological Project*.

### Ancient Greece Program

#### **Archaeology in Practice**

ACDSEH001  
ACDSEH029  
ACHHS210  
ACSIS125  
ACSIS130

Students learn archaeological methods and put into practice their skills in interpretation and deduction. Students excavate, translate an ancient script, study human remains, interpret objects and reconstruct ceramic vessels to deduce key facts of an archaeological site and the people associated with the site.

#### **History Mystery**

ACDSEH035

History Mystery puts students' investigative skills into practice. Focusing on the roles of key groups in Greek society, the workshop explores ancient occupations and education. Students work in small groups analysing objects and determining their ancient context. The workshop the value of material culture and the unparalleled information it provides archaeologists and historians about the ancient past.

#### **Greek Weaponry**

ACDSEH036  
ACDSEH037

In this highly tactile workshop, students learn key terms for weaponry and battle tactics that characterised Greek warfare. They are given a first-hand experience of Greek weaponry and soldiers' daily life experiences through handling (and wearing) of Roman armaments and armour.

#### **Onsite Insights**

ACDSEH001-002  
ACDSEH029  
ACDSEH033  
ACHHS210

This interactive seminar provides students with a first-hand account of a current Macquarie University archaeological excavation. Students see behind-the-scenes photos and videos of archaeologists' daily life and work (note images of ancient human remains may be shown).

## Ancient Egypt Program

<b><i>Archaeology in Practice</i></b> ACDSEH001 ACDSEH029 ACHHS210	Students learn archaeological methods and put into practise their skills in interpretation and deduction. Students excavate, translate an ancient script, study human remains, interpret objects and reconstruct ceramic vessels to deduce key facts of an archaeological site and the people associated with the site.
<b><i>Hieroglyphs 101</i></b>	This workshop introduces students to Middle Egyptian, the classical language of Ancient Egypt. Students learn the basics of translating hieroglyphs and how to interpret ancient texts.
<b><i>History Mystery</i></b> ACDSEH032 ACHHS210	Students explore the Ancient Egyptian site of Deir el-Medina. Tasked with analysing artefacts that may be found at this site and determining their ancient context, students learn about the various social groups living and working at Deir el-Medina.
<b><i>Mummification</i></b> ACDSEH033	This workshop gives students a first-hand experience of the Ancient Egyptian practise of mummification. They learn about religious beliefs, values and practices, processes of artificial preservation of the body and how archaeologists treat the ancient dead when excavating.
<b><i>Onsite Insights</i></b> ACDSEH001-002 ACDSEH029 ACDSEH033 ACHHS210	This interactive seminar provides students with a first-hand account of a current Macquarie University archaeological excavation. Students see behind-the-scenes photos and videos of archaeologists' daily life and work (note images of ancient human remains may be shown). Teachers may choose from the Theban Tombs Project or the Dendara Necropolis Project.

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## Expression of Interest – Stage 4

School Name

Address

Contact teacher

Email & contact number

Year group

Number of students

Preferred date (two options)

Start time

How did you hear about us?

Are you booking an

Excursion

Museum Tour

Select the additional workshops you would like to experience. You need to select a **minimum of 2 additional workshops** (in addition to the museum tour).

### *Ancient Rome*

### *Ancient Egypt*

### *Ancient Greece*

	Archaeology in Practice	
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Archaeology in Practice	History Mystery	History Mystery
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Roman Weaponry	Onsite Insights*	Onsite Insights
Onsite Insights	Theban Tombs	
	Dendera Necropolis	

Please let us know what you hope your students get out of this day

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