

107-441 Ethnic Identity in the Greco-Roman World

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Undergraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, - Taught on campus. .
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 2-hour seminar per week Total Time Commitment: .
Prerequisites:	Admission to the postgraduate diploma or fourth year honours in classics or classical studies and archaeology.
Corequisites:	.
Recommended Background Knowledge:	.
Non Allowed Subjects:	.
Core Participation Requirements:	.
Coordinator:	Dr Rhiannon Evans
Subject Overview:	This course will investigate the ancient Greeks' and Romans' understanding of their own identity. The construction of ethnicity, from the early Greek city-states to the poly-ethnic empire of the Romans, will be examined using a range of literary, iconographical and material sources. Students will draw on recent sociological and anthropological theories of ethnicity to analyse the creation and social importance of Greek and Roman self-identity. Particular attention will be given to the use of origin myths to create and explore ethnic self-identity, the strategies by which ethnic groups distinguished themselves from others, the representation of interaction among different peoples and culture, and how strict the boundaries separating different ethnicities really were in antiquity.
Assessment:	A 1500 word presentation report 40% (due during the semester) and a 3500-word essay 60% (due in the examination period).
Prescribed Texts:	Prescribed Texts:A subject reader will be available.
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	# be skilled in critical thinking; # possess effective written communication skills; # have an understanding of social, ethical and cultural context.
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Related Course(s):	Postgraduate Certificate in Arts (Classics and Archaeology) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Ancient and Medieval Studies) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (Classics) Postgraduate Diploma in Arts(Classical Studies and Archaeology)