

ANCW30011 Underworld and Afterlife

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	3 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 1.5-hour lecture and a 1-hour tutorial per week Total Time Commitment: 8.5 hours per week: Total time commitment 102 hours
Prerequisites:	Completion of at least 12.5 points of second year ancient world studies
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	107-245 Underworld and Afterlife
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this course are articulated in the Course Description, Course Objectives and Generic Skills of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/
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Subject Overview:	The journey to the underworld, the existence of an afterlife, the survival of the bereaved, the mummification of the dead, the sacrifice of virgins, communicating with ghosts&amp.mdash.the ancient world blossomed with myths and rituals associated with all these things. This subject focuses on these topics in the literature and material culture of antiquity, including the Egyptian Book of the Dead, the Mesopotamian Epic of Gilgamesh, Homer, Greek tragedy, Roman epic, epitaphs commemorating the deceased, and archaeological evidence for the Eleusinian mystery cult. On completion of this subject students should have an understanding of ancient myths and death-rituals. have assessed critically the relevant literary and material sources. and have learned the major scholarly approaches to death, bereavement and the afterlife in the ancient world.
Objectives:	Students who successfully complete this subject should... # have acquired an understanding of the myths and rituals dealt with in the subject, have assessed critically the relevant literary and material evidence discussed. # have shown an understanding of the major and scholarly approaches to the subject matter treated in the subject.
Assessment:	A 2000 word research essay 50% (due during the semester) and a 2000 word essay 50% (due during the examination period). Hurdle requirement: students must attend a minimum of 75% of tutorials in order to be pass this subject.
Prescribed Texts:	&bull. The Egyptian Book of the Dead, trans R Faulkner (Chronicle Books, 2nd ed) &bull. The Epic of Gilgamesh, trans A George (Penguin Classics) &bull. Euripides, Orestes and Other Plays, trans P Vellacott (Penguin Classics) &bull. A subject reader will also be available
Breadth Options:	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:

	<p># Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-BMED)</p> <p># Bachelor of Commerce (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-COM)</p> <p># Bachelor of Environments (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-ENVS)</p> <p># Bachelor of Music (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-MUS)</p> <p># Bachelor of Science (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-SCI)</p> <p># Bachelor of Engineering (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/355AA)</p> <p>You should visit learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<p># be skilled in critical thinking and analysis.</p> <p># possess effective written communication skills.</p> <p># have an understanding of social, ethical and cultural context.</p>
Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:	<p>Ancient World Studies</p> <p>Ancient and Medieval Studies</p> <p>Ancient and Medieval Studies</p> <p>Ancient, Medieval & Early Modern Studies Major</p> <p>Classical Studies & Archaeology Major</p> <p>Classical Studies and Archaeology</p>