

ANCW30004 Comparative Civilizations

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	3 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2013.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: A 1.5-hour lecture per week for 12 weeks and eleven 1-hour tutorials scheduled across the semester Total Time Commitment: Total expected time commitment is 8.5 hours per week including class time: total time commitment 102 hours
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements 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:	This subject is designed to give students an understanding and knowledge of the variability of past civilisations by comparing their accomplishments and inner structures. Using a combination of texts and archaeology, it will compare the life cycle (rise and fall) of Egyptian, Near Eastern and Persian civilisations. Students will examine cultural elements such as belief systems, daily routines, gender roles, power and authority, which will provide an insight into the distinctive worldviews that shaped each civilization. Material culture, historical documents, language and literature, will be combined to address major issues such as the social evolution of complex societies and their eventual collapse, themes which resonate in the contemporary world
Objectives:	Students who successfully complete this subject should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # possess a knowledge of the social, political and cultural development of the ancient civilizations of Egypt and the Near East. # have developed a knowledge of textual and archaeological methods to study processes of cultural change and interaction.
Assessment:	A class paper and follow up essay of 2500 words 60% (10% presentation, 50% essay) due during the semester, and a take-home exam of 1500 words (40%), due in the examination period. This subject has a minimum hurdle requirement of 75% tutorial attendance. Regular participation in tutorials is required. Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per day. After five working days late assessment will not be marked. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject
Prescribed Texts:	A.Sagona and P. Zimansky, Ancient Turkey (Routledge 2009) Subject readings will be available on line
Breadth Options:	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-BMED)

	<p># <u>Bachelor of Commerce</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-COM)</p> <p># <u>Bachelor of Environments</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ENVS)</p> <p># <u>Bachelor of Music</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-MUS)</p> <p># <u>Bachelor of Science</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-SCI)</p> <p># <u>Bachelor of Engineering</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ENG)</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>
Links to further information:	http://classics-archaeology.unimelb.edu.au/about/
Related Majors/Minors/Specialisations:	<p>Ancient World Studies</p> <p>Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Studies Major</p> <p>Classical Studies and Archaeology</p> <p>Classical Studies and Archaeology</p>
Related Breadth Track(s):	<p>Archaeology</p> <p>Ancient Egypt and the Near East</p>