

# Opasraportti

## HuTK - Classical Archaeology 2009-2011 (2009 - 2011)

### Classical Archaeology

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### Overview of the subject

Classical Archaeology focuses on Antiquity, particularly on the Greek and Roman culture, using as its sources material remains such as building remains, pottery, coins etc. Antiquity was a historical period, and hence literary sources are often important as well.

Antiquity was an interesting and important period in the past of Europe and other regions bordered by the Mediterranean. Familiarity with Antiquity helps us to understand the history of western civilisation during the past two millennia. Although Finland did not have many contacts with the Classical world, it has influenced our history in many ways, e.g. through science, arts and democracy. Features of the material culture of Antiquity are familiar to us as ethnographic phenomena: the roots of some traditional tools, for instance, can be found there.

The objective of the Basic Studies of Classical Archaeology is to give an overview of Archaeology and Classics as well as of the basic characteristics of Classical Archaeology and Art. The Intermediate Studies are designed to provide the student with the basic abilities needed to do archaeological research. In addition to practical work, this objective is reached through elective studies.

### Study guidance

Study guidance and practical information is provided by the lecturer of the subject (room HU317, tel. +358-8-553 3309, office hour on Wednesdays, 11-12 a.m., [eero.jarva@oulu.fi](mailto:eero.jarva@oulu.fi)).

### Studying

The courses of Classical Archaeology may be taken in a free order, and written examinations may be taken en bloc, unless otherwise indicated. Those wishing to take a written examination on books not specified in the reading lists of this information package should consult the lecturer of Classical Archaeology. Examinations are graded by the lecturer of Classical Archaeology.

To be able to complete the Intermediate Studies, students are required to have completed the Basic Studies with at least the average grade 'Good'. Some courses are common with the subject of General Archaeology. In such a case, the student is advised to contact the course director for alternative course content.

N.B.: Foreign students can carry out their studies in English or some other common European language, and for them alternative conducts are given for lectures and literature in Finnish.

## Courses at different levels

### Basic Studies 25 credits

687400P Introductory Courses 4 credits

687401P General View on the Cultures of the Classical World 6 credits

687402P Archaeology of the Classical World 9 credits

687403P Topography and Cultural Geography of the Classical World 6 credits

### Intermediate Studies 35 credits

687404A Special Course of Classics or Archaeology 6 credits

687405A Research Methods 5 credits

687406A Practical Archaeology 9 credits

687407A Elective Studies 5 credits

687408A Special Course in Classical Archaeology 10 credits

## Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot

687402P: Archaeology of the Classical world, 9 op

687407A: Elective studies, 5 op

687401P: General view on the cultures of the Classical world, 6 op

687400P: Introductory courses, 4 op

687406A: Practical archaeology, 9 op

687405A: Research methods, 5 op

687408A: Special course in Classical archaeology, 10 op

687404A: Special course of Classics or archaeology, 6 op

687403P: Topography and cultural geography of the Classical world, 6 op

## Opintojaksojen kuvaukset

### Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

#### 687402P: Archaeology of the Classical world, 9 op

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

9 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will get an overview of the material culture of the ancient world

**Contents:**

1. Introduction to the Aegean Bronze Age 1,5 credits credits
2. Introduction to Greek archaeology 2 credits
3. Introduction to the Etruscan civilization 1,5 credits
4. Introduction to Roman archaeology 2 credits
5. Review seminar 2 credits

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lecture or book examination (1-4) and seminar (5)

**Recommended or required reading:**

1. Lecture or literature: : W.R. Biers, *The Archaeology of Greece: An Introduction* (1996), pp. 22-93, and J. Camp & E. Fisher, *Antiikin Kreikan maailma* (2004), pp. 7-57
2. Lecture and handouts
3. Lecture and book M. Nielsen - J. Kaimio & E. Jarva, *Etruskit* (2003)
4. M. Henig (ed.), *A handbook of Roman art: a survey of the visual arts of the Roman world* (1983), pp. 26-219 or J. Boardman (ed.), *The Oxford history of classical art* (1993), pp. 217-344.
5. Handed out during the seminar

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Lecture examination, book examination and/or essay

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

## 687407A: Elective studies, 5 op

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

5 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will get background data related to the topic of the Special course assignment and the approach used

**Contents:**

Determined by the topic

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Independent study

**Recommended optional programme components:**

Basic Studies, Research Methods

**Recommended or required reading:**

Depending on the topic

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination and/or essays

**Grading:**

0-5 or pass/fail

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

**687401P: General view on the cultures of the Classical world, 6 op**

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

6 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will get a general picture of the history of Antiquity and some aspects of its culture.

**Contents:**

1. History of Antiquity 2 credits

2. Aspects of ancient culture 4 credits

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lecture and/or independent studies

**Recommended or required reading:**

According to the working methods

1. History of Antiquity: book examination material to be agreed with the person responsible

2. Aspects of ancient culture

Choose two (2) topics from the following:

a) Technology in Antiquity

b) Ancient economy

c) Literature in Antiquity

d) Myths and religions in Antiquity

e) Philosophy in Antiquity

f) Selection of translated Classical texts (250-300 pp.)

g) Topic of free choice

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Lecture examination, book examination and/or essay

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

**687400P: Introductory courses, 4 op**

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

4 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will be familiar with archaeology as a science and Classical Archaeology as a part of Classical studies.

**Contents:**

1. Introduction to Archaeology 2 credits
2. Introduction to Classics 2 credits

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lecture, independent reading

**Recommended or required reading:**

According to the working methods

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Lecture examination, book examination or essay

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

**687406A: Practical archaeology, 9 op**

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

9 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will acquire the basic knowledge of archaeological field methods and post-excavation work.

**Contents:**

- a) Preparatory course to archaeological excavations
- b) Field school (2 weeks)
- c) Course on post-excavation works
- d) Written report on field school

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

See "content"

**Recommended optional programme components:**

It is recommended that the student has previously participated in archaeological excavations.

**Recommended or required reading:**

See "content"

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

See "content"

**Grading:**

Pass

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

**687405A: Research methods, 5 op**

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

5 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will acquire basic knowledge of archaeological theory and research methods.

**Contents:**

See "Objective"

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures and independent reading.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Lecture handouts

Literature: P.L. Drewett, Field Archaeology: An Introduction (London 1999) and E. C. Harris, Principles of Archaeological Stratigraphy (1979)

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

**687408A: Special course in Classical archaeology, 10 op****Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

10 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will become familiar with the archaeological research process from the analysis of the evidence to the presentation of conclusions in a written form, and be capable of defending the conclusions presented in a seminar paper.

**Contents:**

A written paper (10-15 pp), acting as opponent and active participation in the seminar (at least 20 hrs).

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

See "content"

**Recommended optional programme components:**

Basic Studies, Research Methods and Elective Studies

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

See "Content".

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

**687404A: Special course of Classics or archaeology, 6 op****Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

6 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will become acquainted with some special fields of Classics or archaeology

**Contents:**

Choose from the following areas:

- a) Numismatics 1,5 - 3 credits
- b) Epigraphy 1,5 - 3 credits
- c) Papyrology 1,5 credits
- d) History of Antiquity 1 - 3 credits
- e) Ancient economy 2 credits
- f) Topography 2 - 3 credits

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Independent reading and/or essay writing

**Recommended or required reading:**

- a) E.g. I. Carradice & M. Price, *Coinage in the Greek World* (1988) and/or A. Burnett, *Coinage in the Roman world* (1987)
- b) A.G. Woodhead, *The Study of Greek Inscriptions* (1967) and/or G. Susini, *The Roman stonecutter, an introduction to Latin epigraphy* (1973).
- c) H. Zilliacus, *Papyrustutkimus* (Helsinki 1974)
- d) To be agreed with the course director
- e) E.g. K. Greene, *The Archaeology of the Roman Economy* (1986)
- f) Two-week guided excursion to Classical sites or an independent excursion with journal

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination and/or essay assignment

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva

## 687403P: Topography and cultural geography of the Classical world, 6 op

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Eero Jarva

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

6 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will be familiar with the topography and cultural geography of the Classical world in general, and the topography of some well-researched areas in particular

**Contents:**

Lecture and literature

1. Topography of the Classical world: an overview (2 credits)
2. Topography of cities and areas in the Classical world (4 credits)

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lecture and literature

**Recommended or required reading:**

Lecture material and book E.J. Owens,

The City in the Greek and Roman World (1991)

2. Lecture materials

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Eero Jarva