Admissions

Our admissions policy supports equality of opportunity. We are focused on building a student community from various backgrounds and national origin.

To be considered for a Master’s programme, candidates are required to have:
- A good university degree from a recognised University
- An English language certificate with a good score (IELTS or TOEFL or Proficiency)

Target audience

The MA is addressed to archaeologists, historians, philologists, and graduates of relevant specializations, who wish to acquire or broaden their specialization in the archaeology, history and culture of Ancient Macedonia

Ideal Career Path

The MA programme offers a critical and multifarious study of Ancient Macedonia, from institutions, languages and cults, to art and important archaeological sites. The acquired skills that the graduates develop allow them to work in Educational Institutions and Academies concentrating on Ancient Macedonia or Greece, Archaeological Departments, Research Institutes, Museums, etc.

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The University

The International Hellenic University (IHU) is the first Greek public University where programmes are taught exclusively in English. It is located in Thessaloniki, a vibrant student metropolis. We are focused on attracting leading academics and outstanding students from Europe and across the world. The IHU offers full-scholarships to exceptional prospective students.
The Programme

The Programme considers the history and the archaeology of Ancient Macedonia, covering the region of Macedonia and the Macedonians from the Mycenaean period until the Roman era. The Programme is partially funded by the Alexander S. Onassis Public Benefit Foundation.

The teaching staff includes top specialists in research relevant to Macedonia, from both Greece and abroad.

Programme Structure

**The Core Courses**
- The Historical Sources (written sources, inscriptions, coins)
- Archaeological Sites of Macedonia (the cities of the Kingdom)
- Ancient History (Classical and Hellenistic periods)
- Ancient Art (monumental art)

**The Elective Courses**
- Historical Geography and Cartography of Ancient Macedonia
- Prehistoric and Archaic Macedonia
- Institutions of the Macedonian Kingdom
- The Hellenistic Kingdoms
- Archaeological Sites of Macedonia (the colonies)
- Ancient Art (metalworking, statuettes etc.)
- Languages and Dialects in Macedonia
- Ancient History (Roman Period)
- Cults and Beliefs
- The East before and after Alexander the Great
- Excavation

Schedule

The MA in the Classical Archaeology and the Ancient History of Macedonia is a 3-term full-time programme of study. It is taught mainly on weekdays over three-hour teaching periods. The first two terms cover the core and elective modules of the programme. Each teaching term consists of 13 teaching weeks followed by a 10-day exam period. The third period is taken up with work on the Master’s dissertation. The programme is also available in part-time mode.

Excavation

An important part of the students’ education on this MA will be their participation in a training excavation to be organised by the International Hellenic University within the specific framework of the MA.

Guided excursions, international workshops, special lectures and team projects by the students will also play a significant role. The MA in The Classical Archaeology and the Ancient History of Macedonia emphasizes the acquisition of a holistic, in-depth grounding in the study of Ancient Macedonia and its cultural influence, at an institution located at its heart and next to its archaeological sites.

The Dissertation

As a part of the MA programme, students work on a subject related to their academic interests and stream specialisation. The Master’s dissertation provides a good opportunity to apply theory and concepts learned in different courses to issues related to the programme. The Master’s dissertation assesses students’ ability to both apply a certain methodology and approach in the analysis of a given problem and to demonstrate reasonably original research or fieldwork.

Study the history, archaeology and art of Ancient Macedonia in the heart of contemporary Macedonia.