



CLASSICAL CIVILISATION A-LEVEL - OCR

Who is the course for?

Students who have enjoyed English Literature, Drama, Classical Civilisation, History, Ancient History, Greek or Latin at GCSE and would like to develop further their understanding of the ancient cultures of Greece and Rome.

What can it lead to?

Classical Civilisation is a broad based subject which is an excellent route into any Humanities or Language subjects. It can lead directly to degrees in Classics, Classical Civilisation, Ancient History, Latin, Ancient Greek, Archaeology and Anthropology or Classical Art and Architecture. It is also a well-respected course which universities will consider for entry to courses in History, Politics, Drama, English and Modern Languages and Literature.

What are the entry requirements?

You are **not** required to have studied Classical Civilisation, Ancient History or Modern History in advance, but if you studied any of these subjects as a GCSE subject, you must have achieved Grade 5 or above.

What will I study?

You will use your understanding of history, drama, art and literature to deepen and broaden your understanding of the lives and culture of the ancient Greeks and Romans. You will explore sources such as classical literature, historical texts and archaeological remains to learn what this evidence tells us about the classical world. We will also analyse what the legacy of the classical world means for us today.

How will I be taught?

Teaching will take the form of whole class teaching, group work and discussion. There will be input from subjects such as drama and the visual arts where appropriate. There will be regular homework set. This might involve research/preparation or consolidating learning by answering questions or completing a practice exam paper.

What units will I take?

Comp 1: The World of the Hero (40%): Homer's *Odyssey* and Virgil's *Aeneid*

Comp 2: Culture and the Arts (30%): Imperial Image

Comp 3: Beliefs and Ideas (30%): Politics in the Late Roman Republic

How will I be assessed?

All units are assessed by written examination.

What equipment or materials do I need?

You will need to purchase copies of the recommended translations of the longer classical texts to be studied.