

## History and Transmission of Ancient Writing: Theory and practical reading skills.

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Teacher(s) :	Meurant Alain ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	<p>This course introduces students to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The different writing materials and writing techniques used in ancient times, examining their chronological and geographical development (wax tablets, inscription, papyrus, parchment, paper, etc) ;</li> <li>- Greek and Latin writing, considered in its development from the earliest days of writing up to the days of printing ;</li> <li>- The writing systems of several ancient and modern oriental languages, e.g. Egyptian hieroglyphics, cuneiform, Arabic and Chinese writing (this part of the course relies on collaboration with students and colleagues in the Oriental Studies program).</li> </ul>
Aims :	<p>Students should be able to identify different types of Greek and Latin writing on a variety of different writing materials including stone, wax tablets, ostraka (pot sherds), papyrus, parchment and paper. They should also be able to read simple documents viewed in class.</p> <p><i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i></p>
Content :	<p>Basic notions : place of the writing in the human story; materials and tools of writing.</p> <p>Presentation of some major writings of the Antique and Medieval world : scripts of Egypt; cuneiforms; Greek syllabaries; Greek, Etruscan, Latin, Hebrew, Arabic alphabets.</p> <p>Presentation of Greek and Latin paleographies; of Greek and Latin epigraphies.</p> <p>Exercices of reading and writing.</p>
Other infos :	<p>Course entry requirements: sufficient knowledge of Latin and/or Greek.</p> <p>Evaluation: oral.</p> <p>Course material: a number of different books on the history of writing will be recommended. Photos and documents will also be given out during the course.</p>
Cycle and year of study :	<p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Ancient languages and Literatures : Classics</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Psychology and Education: General</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Information and Communication</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Philosophy</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures: German, Dutch and English</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Economics and Management</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Motor skills : General</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Political Sciences: General</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology : General</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Mathematics</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in History</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Biomedicine</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Pharmacy</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Bachelor in Religious Studies</a></p> <p>&gt; <a href="#">Preparatory Year for Master in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies</a></p>
Faculty or entity in charge:	GLOR