Université catholique de Louvain

LGLOR2792 2012-2013

Byzantine Greek

5.0 credits	30.0 h + 15.0 h	2q	This biannual
			course is taught on
			years 2010-2011,
			2012-2013,

Teacher(s) :	Coulie Bernard ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Inline resources:	The iCampus server permits one to obtain documents, in function of texts chosen.
Prerequisites :	The course is intended for students who have followed the first cycle course in ancient Greek, or show a level of knowledge judged sufficient by the teacher.
Main themes :	Alternately with LGLOR2791, this course deals with texts written in Greek between the IVth and the XVth centuries, which bear witness to the evolution of Greek, starting from classical Greek and and finally arriving at modern Greek. The reading of texts is also the occasion of illustrating notions of Byzantine history, of the history of Byzantine literature and institutions. Fifteen hours of exercises are added to the course, which correspond to the personal preparation by the student of the Greek texts analysed in the course.
Aims :	Mastery of the Greek language of the Byzantine period. At the end of this course, the student will be capable of reading, translating and analysing Byzantine Greek texts from the IVth to the XVth century, of an advanced level. He will also be able to carry out a personal research on the texts concerned. 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".
Evaluation methods :	Assessment is continuous, but there will be an oral exam at the end of the year: reading and translation of a text already seen, grammatical explanations, commentaries.
Teaching methods :	The course is conducted like a seminar: the texts prepared by the students are analysed during the course, and enriched by grammatical, linguistic, historical, cultural and other commentaries. From time to time, complementary exposés on special points of history or literature will be given by the teacher. A collection of the recommended readings will be supplied.
Content :	The Byzantine world (330-1453) gave birth to an abundant literary production in Greek. The Byzantine texts belong to several literary genres (historiography, philosophy, poetry, theology, novels, etc.) and illustrate different levels of the language, either those close to classical models, or those influenced by spoken and popular language. These texts are also the reflection of a society, with its cultural, religious and political conceptions. The reading of the texts permits these different aspects to be illustrated. Conceived as an initiation to research, the course demands a work of preparation on the part of the student.
Bibliography :	Texts and materials will be provided by the teacher.
Other infos :	The teachers will meet with the students at the beginning of the year, to fix the timetable.
Cycle and year of study :	 Master [120] in History of Art and Archaeology : General Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies
Faculty or entity in charge:	GLOR