



THE GENNAIDIUS LIBRARY OF THE AMERICAN SCHOOL OF CLASSICAL STUDIES AT ATHENS

MEDIEVAL GREEK SUMMER SESSION AT THE GENNAIDIUS LIBRARY, SUMMER 2019

Deadline: January 15, 2019

The Gennadius Library of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens announces the summer session focused on the teaching of Medieval Greek, from June 30 to July 31, 2019.

Founded in 1881, the American School is the most significant resource in Greece for American scholars in the fields of ancient and post-classical studies. One of the two major research libraries of the School, the Gennadius Library, which houses over 146,000 volumes and archives, is devoted to post-classical Hellenic civilization.

The Library invites applications for a month-long Summer Session for Medieval Greek at the Intermediate to Advanced Level. The objective is to familiarize students who have a sound foundation in Classical Greek with Medieval Greek language and philology by exposing them to primary sources, different kinds of literary genres, paleography and epigraphy, drawing on the resources of the Gennadius Library. The two Professors leading the session are Professor Alexander Alexakis, University of Ioannina and Professor Stratis Papaioannou, Brown University/University of Crete.

Format

The month-long full-time program will include daily translation of Byzantine texts; introduction to Greek paleography and Byzantine book culture; use of the collections of the Gennadius Library; visits to area museums and libraries including the Byzantine, Benaki, and Epigraphical Museums; and visits outside Athens including Corinth, Mistra, Thessaloniki, and Hosios Loukas. Individual tutorials and assignments for each student will be determined by specific needs and field of study. The language of instruction is English. Participants should plan to arrive on **June 30 and depart on July 31**.

Eligibility

The program is offered at the intermediate to advanced level for up to twelve students enrolled in graduate programs in any field of late antique, post-antique, Byzantine or medieval studies at any university worldwide; preference may be given to students who have limited access to instruction in Byzantine Greek at their home institutions. A minimum of two years of college-level or post-doctoral Classical Greek (or the equivalent) is required. If there are available slots, faculty or postdoctoral scholars affiliated with any university worldwide may also be considered. *A diagnostic test (available electronically) may be administered to finalists before the final selection of students is made.*

Academic Credit

The American School is not a degree-granting institution. No grades are given for its programs, nor are transcripts provided. Upon request, an optional final exam at the end of the program may be provided and the directors will write a letter to the participant's home institution,

recommending that credit be granted, provided that the student has satisfactorily participated in the program and passed the final exam.

Costs and Scholarships

Twelve Leventis Foundation scholarships cover the costs of tuition, School fees, housing, required travel within Greece, and museum and site fees. International airfare to and from Greece, meals, and incidental expenses are the participant's responsibility.

Applications

Submit online application, *curriculum vitae*, two letters of recommendation (one from the academic advisor and one from a Greek language teacher). Direct link to application:

<https://ascsa.submittable.com/submit/116263/ascsa-gennadius-library-summer-session-application>

Applicants are required to submit scans of academic transcripts as part of the online application. Application fee is US\$25.

Web site: www.ascsa.edu.gr

or <https://www.ascsa.edu.gr/programs/gennadius-library-medieval-greek-summer-session>

E-mail: application@ascsa.org

The selection results will be announced March 15.

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