



Erasmus+ KA1 Course

Greek Language, History and Culture through ICT



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Summary

Greek language is not only one of the most ancient languages but also one of great importance due to the cultural and scientific value of ancient Greek scripts that are preserved nowadays. These scripts are evidence that ancient Greeks played an outstanding role in the progress of European civilization, and they were the source of timeless ideas like Democracy, Humanism, Justice and Socialization. Moreover, they greatly contributed to the formalization of contemporary humanity and culture as a whole. Personalities like Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, Pythagoras, and Herodotus have played a distinguished role in the humanities and social sciences. Greek language was the means for ancient ideas to surpass the Roman ideology through the ages and become the prerequisite for the Byzantine civilization. Also, Greek is the language of the New Testament and of all the Christian hymns and Byzantine literature. But, the most important fact about Greek is its timeless and unstoppable existence through the ages. Today, Greek language is the evolution of the same language that Homer and Pericles spoke hundreds of centuries before. Nevertheless, Greek is one of the official languages of Europe and one of the most interesting classes in curricula of lower and higher educational institutions around the world.



Purpose

Crete is the ideal location for anyone interested in Greek Culture, Language and History as the island combines attractions and sightseeing of many important eras, such as the Minoan ages or Venetian occupation. As the mythology goes, Zeus was born in Crete. Zeus, who was the leader of the ancient Greek gods, was also the god of philoxenia. So, in Crete, people are willing to welcome every visitor and make them feel at home. At the same time, Heraklion is the capital of the island, with many attractions and museums. Also, there are many places to visit, such as the historical center and the Knossos palace. Last but not least, Heraklion is ideal to spend your holidays as it combines the local traditional life with the European lifestyle. All that in a well-preserved natural environment with beautiful beaches and, of course, under the Mediterranean climate.

The course Greek Language, History, and Culture is designed in such a way that it achieves two important goals at the same time. Joining this course will make you embark on a trip to meet one of the most ancient languages in the world. At the same time, you will meet the Cretan culture and lifestyle. So, this course includes language learning together with cultural awareness and activities. It involves lectures about ancient, Byzantine, modern, and contemporary Greek history and civilization. Other than that, you will familiarize yourself with the competence of language awareness in different communicative scenarios.

Objectives

The basic aim of this particular course is to promote Greek language and Culture through the interplay of language education and cultural emulation. So, the objectives of such a course are to:

- Familiarize yourself with the ancient Greek literature, poetry, and philosophy.
- Understand and acknowledge the historical continuity between ancient Greece and contemporary Greece through the Byzantine civilization.
- Learn how to communicate in Greek in different communicative scenarios.
- Meet and learn more about the Cretan dialect and culture.
- Acknowledge how to design teaching materials with the use of digital tools and online programs.

Course Language

- English
- Note: Participants must have at least a CEFR level B2 knowledge of English in order to be able to participate actively.

Target Groups

Greek Language, History, and Culture post-education program is addressed to: school and preschool teachers, professors teaching in secondary education, foreign language teachers, educational councils, undergraduate or postgraduate college students, and everyone interested in culture, history, and language evolution.

Methods & Tools

Lectures, discussions, group work, presentations, exercises, study visits, video presentations, audiovisual tools, practical implementations, and second language teaching.

Course Agenda

Day 1

- Introductory meeting, explanation of practical arrangements.
- Presentation of timetable.
- Presentations of participating Organizations.
- Icebreakers, Introduction to the Course.

Day 2

- Cycladic, Minoan and Mycenaean civilization, art and religion.
- Minoan Mythology - Greek Gods and religion figures.
- Language Lesson.
- Formal and friendly greetings and gestures during everyday meetings and departures.
- ICT for the classroom.
- Make History digital books & Comics for your classes (Workshop).

Day 3

- Visit to the Archaeological Museum of Heraklion.
- Learning in the museums-After the Visit to the Archaeological Museum of Heraklion.
- Experiential learning through Arts- Famous paintings and emotional awareness.
- Cultural Activities: Guided tour to the Historical Center of Heraklion.
- Dinner in a traditional restaurant of the town.

Day 4

- Modern Greek History.
- Greek Revolution and modern Wars.
- Transportation speech acts and Means of Public Transportation semiology.
- Social life language interactions and everyday routine in transactions.
- ICT for the classroom:
 - Make Timelines.
 - Make Interactive Maps.

Day 5

- Designing lesson and project plans using films. The workshop will take place in Nikos Kazantzakis' museum, in Myrtia village.

Day 6

- Modern Cretan Civilization:
 - Cretan lifestyle and Cretan outfits presentation.
 - Introduction to the most used Cretan Instruments 'lure' and 'lute'.
- Digital Storytelling:
 - Use Digital Storytelling for explaining concepts.
 - Make your own Digital Storytelling video.
- Gamification apps for the History – Art classes:
 - Using Flashcards for your next class.
 - Using Games for the class.

Day 7

- Erasmus+ program : objectives, priorities, actions, forms, budget, tips for applicants.
- Planning follow up activities, dissemination and exploitation of learning outcomes.
- Course Evaluation.
- Certifications.




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