Induction week

Monday 19 September - Friday 23 September 2022
INDUCTION AND OUR COMMUNITY

It is a pleasure to welcome you to our community of staff and students in HCA. This week, you will learn about your new programme, meet your personal tutor, and take part in lots of social and enrichment activities to help you settle in to the school. Please attend all the relevant sessions. We hope you enjoy the induction week activities that we have on offer!

CANVAS AND ONLINE INDUCTION

In addition to the programme below, there are lots of useful materials available on your online induction community on Canvas, our virtual learning environment that you will use throughout your studies here. Please take the time to look through this important information and get used to the Canvas interface.

GETTING READY FOR TEACHING NEXT WEEK

The sessions this week will help get you ready for next week, but also make sure you look up your timetable on timetables.ncl.ac.uk or on the Newcastle University app.

GET IN TOUCH IF YOU NEED ANYTHING

If you have any queries at all do not hesitate to contact the School Office at Room 1.01, Armstrong Building. You can also call on 0191 208 7844 or email historical@ncl.ac.uk.

We hope you have a great start to your Newcastle experience!

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Monday 19 September

Bank holiday - no induction activities scheduled.
Tuesday 20 September

09.00-10.00
Stage 1 welcome talk
Armstrong Building, room 1.06
General welcome and information session led by Head of Subject and Degree Programme Directors.

10.00-1.00
Personal tutor meeting
Time and location by email
1-hour session to introduce you to your personal tutor and get you started in your university life.

1.00-2.00
Stage 1 study skills
King George VI Building, Lecture Theatre 6
How to get started with your degree, and what are your studies all about? Led by Head of Subject and Degree Programme Directors.

Study abroad and placements briefing
Online materials will also be provided about opportunities to study abroad and undertake placements during your degree.
10.00-12.00
Latin and Greek taster workshops
Armstrong Building, rooms 1.04-05

Latin and Greek taster workshops: trying out Greek and Latin and learning how you could use them in your degree. Each lasts one hour, but is offered twice.

Armstrong room 1.05: ‘Hands-on Greek: the Greek alphabet and a look at a Greek inscription’ (Prof. Athanassios Vergados)
Armstrong 1.04: ‘Hands-on Latin: an easy introduction’ (Prof. Jaap Wisse)

5.00-7.00
Welcome reception
King’s Hall, Armstrong Building
WELCOME RECEPTION

For all new Stage 1 students in History, Classics & Archaeology

WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2022
5 - 7 PM | KING'S HALL
GROUND FLOOR, ARMSTRONG BUILDING
Wine, soft drinks, and nibbles
Thursday 22 September

10.00-12.00
Ancient artefacts - object handling workshop
Armstrong Building, room 3.38

Optional 2-hour session offering you an opportunity to handle real ancient Greek and Roman artefacts and learn about how you could use them in your degree.

12.00-2.00
Greek and Latin taster lectures
Armstrong Building, room 3.38

12.00-1.00: “Everyone wants to know exactly what he said”: how to discover Euripides & co. in their own words’ (Dr Susanna Phillippo)
1.00-2.00: ‘Hic, haec, hoc: how to hiccup in Latin’ (Dr Claire Stocks)
A note on ancient languages

LATIN AND GREEK DIAGNOSTIC TESTS

This is for students thinking of taking modules in the classical languages and who have studied Latin and/or Greek before. (Those starting either language from scratch do not need to attend as they take the Beginners’ modules.) The test is designed to give a rough idea of your level of knowledge in Latin/ Greek, so that we can best advise you as to the level at which you should study the language(s).
So if you think you may be able to start in Intermediates, you should take the diagnostic test. If this applies to you please contact Prof Vergados for Greek (athanassios.vergados@newcastle.ac.uk) and/or Prof Wisse for Latin (jakob.wisse@newcastle.ac.uk) as soon as possible (before Wednesday 21st at 12 noon); please include how much Greek/ Latin you learnt already (e.g., A-level). The test will then be made available by email on Wednesday 21 September at 2pm, and you must then submit (by email) by Thursday 22nd at 5pm.