

Academic Unit Recognition of Prior Learning and Credit Transfer Statement

School of History, Classics and Archaeology

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL) AND CREDIT TRANSFER

Academic Year 2026/27

Covers all Undergraduate Programmes administered by the School:

- Ancient History, BA Hons (V110)
- Ancient History (with Study Abroad), BA Hons (1618U)
- Ancient History and Archaeology, BA Hons (VV14)
- Ancient History and Archeology (with Placement Year) (1467U)
- Ancient History and History, BA Hons (VV11)
- Ancient History and History (with Placement Year) (1906U)
- Ancient History and History (with Study Abroad) (1907U)
- Archaeology, BA Hons/BSc (V400)
- Archaeology (with Study Abroad), BA Hons (1615U)
- Classical Studies, BA Hons (Q810)
- Classical Studies (with Study Abroad), BA Hons (1617U)
- Classical Studies and English, BA Hons (QQ83)
- History, BA Hons (V100)
- History (with Study Abroad), BA Hons (1463U)
- History (with Placement Year), BA Hons (1466U)
- History and Archaeology, BA Hons (VV41)
- History and Archaeology (with Study Abroad), BA Hons (1614U)
- Politics and History, BA Hons (VL12)
- Politics and History (with Placement Year), BA Hons (1439U)
- Politics and History (with Study Abroad), BA Hons (1616U)

SCOPE OF APPLICATIONS

The above programmes accept applications for:

- a) Credit transfer: This will be subject to UG DPD approval, after consultation with Subject Heads, if necessary.
- b) Recognition of prior certificated learning: This will be subject to UG DPD approval, after consultation with Subject Heads, if necessary. RPL may be assessed on evidence provided by the applicant and/or by a set assessment determined by the DPD.
- c) Recognition of prior experiential learning: This is not normally considered for our UG degrees. But in exceptional circumstances, where prior experience of and aptitude for the relevant discipline can be clearly proven this evidence may be considered by the DPD in conjunction with the Subject Head. Final approval lies with the Head of School.

RPL and credit transfer is available for all modules to a maximum of 120 credits. Transfers to Stage 3 of UG programmes are not normally considered. Normally only learning within the last 5 years can be taken into account.



WHO TO APPROACH

Please contact the School Office on historical@newcastle.ac.uk

What evidence will be required:

For a) and b) above – transcript showing level, credits and marks plus copies of syllabuses.

For (c) - dates and details of relevant experience with evidence (e.g. employer statement, publications) and an explanation as to how the learning outcomes of the modules for which the applicant seeks RPL have been met.

WHAT ADVICE AND INFORMATION WILL BE GIVEN

Each applicant for RPL or credit transfer will be issued with the relevant module outline forms specifying learning outcomes and given an RPL/credit transfer application form.

Advice will be available from the UG Degree Programme Directors and also the UG Admissions Officers.

HOW RPL/CREDIT TRANSFER DECISIONS ARE MADE

Applications should be submitted via e-mail to historical@newcastle.ac.uk and will be considered by the UG DPD. Applicants should hear the results of their application within 20 working days.