

## **Ancient History**

2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC

**Board Developed Course** 

Exclusions: Nil

## **Course Description:**

The study of Ancient History engages students in an investigation of life in early societies based on the analysis and interpretation of physical and written remains. It offers students the opportunity to investigate the possible motivations and actions of individuals and groups, and how they shaped the political, social, economic and cultural landscapes of the ancient world. Ancient History stimulates students' curiosity and imagination and enriches their appreciation of humanity by introducing them to a range of cultures and beliefs as well as to the origins and influences of ideas, values and behaviours that are still relevant in the modern world. The investigation of the ancient past develops students' appreciation of the diversity of ancient societies and the longevity of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

	Ancient History	Indicative hours
Year 11 course (120 hours)	Investigating Ancient History  The Nature of Ancient History  Case Studies  Areas of study will most likely include:  Old Kingdom Egypt, The Celts, Ancient Australia, Palmyra and the Silk Road, Otzi the Iceman, Homers Iliad, Theban Mapping Project	60
	Features of Ancient Societies This could include learning about death and funerary customs, power and image, slavery, trade and cultural contact in Egypt and China.	40
	Historical Investigation	20

Year 12 course (120 hours)	Ancient History	Indicative hours
	Core Study: Cities of Vesuvius – Pompeii and Herculaneum	30
	Society: Sparta	30
	Personalities in their Times – Agrippina	30
	Historical Periods - Augustan Age	30