

**Comparative Iconography of Egypt and other
Ancient Cultures**

Code: 100543
ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500239 Art History	OT	3	2
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Teaching groups languages

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Teachers

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Prerequisites

There are not any prerequisites, but it is advisable to have a smattering of English, French and Italian in order to be able to consult the specialized bibliography.

Objectives and Contextualisation

The aim of this subject is to compare Egyptian art and, especially, iconography with that of other ancient cultures, connected to the Nile Valley civilization.

Having finished the course, the student should be able to:

1. Recognize, identify and characterize the most important works of art.
2. Place them correctly in their historical and artistic context.
3. Master the terminology and vocabulary of the course.
4. Interpret the iconography and symbolism of the works of art.

Competences

Art History

- Applying the mastery of the basic critical and methodological tools in order to understand and narrate Art History and reflect on the profession of art historian.
- Critically analysing from the acquired knowledge a work of art in its many facets: formal values, iconographic significance, artistic techniques and procedures, elaboration process and reception mechanisms.
- Interpreting a work of art in the context in which it was developed and relating it with other forms of cultural expression.
- Students must be capable of applying their knowledge to their work or vocation in a professional way and they should have building arguments and problem resolution skills within their area of study.
- Students must be capable of communicating information, ideas, problems and solutions to both specialised and non-specialised audiences.

Learning Outcomes

1. Analysing ideas about an artistic phenomenon in a given cultural context.
2. Analysing the creators of an artistic phenomenon in a specific cultural context.
3. Analysing the recipients of an artistic phenomenon in a specific cultural context.
4. Applying the iconographic knowledge to the reading of artistic imagery.
5. Connecting an artistic imagery with other cultural phenomena within its period.
6. Engaging in debates about historical facts respecting the other participants' opinions.
7. Examining an artistic imagery and distinguishing its formal, iconographic and symbolic values.
8. Explaining the reception mechanisms of a work of art.
9. Recognising the methodological, iconographic and Art Theory-related knowledge in order to read an artistic imagery.
10. Reconstructing the artistic outlook of a particular cultural context.

Content

1. Introduction: Egypt and the foreign lands.
2. Art and iconography of Egypt and "Asia".
3. Art and iconography of Egypt and "Libya".
4. Art and iconography of Egypt and Nubia.
5. Art and iconography of Egypt and the Classical World.

Methodology

Theoretical and practical classes.

Discussion on some specific topics.

Occasional conferences.

Methodological and bibliographic orientation.

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Theoretical and practical classes	45	1.8	2, 3, 1, 4, 7, 8, 6, 10, 9, 5
Type: Supervised			
Methodological and bibliographical orientation	5	0.2	2, 3, 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 9, 5
Type: Autonomous			
Personal study and preparation for exercises	92	3.68	2, 3, 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 9, 5

Assessment

Activity 1: Exercise 1 (4 marks, 40 % from the final mark).

Activity 2: Exercise 2 (4 marks, 40 % from the final mark).

Activity 3: Activity (2 marks, 20 % from the final mark). This activity is not reassessable.

The final mark is the result of the addition of the marks obtained in activities 1, 2 and 3.

Students will obtain a Not assessed/Not submitted course grade unless they have submitted more than 1/3 of the assessment items.

Only the students who have done, at least, two of the three activities and who have, at least, 3,5/10 in the final mark have the right to a reassessment - the date is set by the Facultie's Academic Management. The maximum mark of the reassessment is 5/10.

In the event of a student committing any irregularity that may lead to a significant variation in the grade awarded to an assessment activity, the student will be given a zero for this activity, regardless of any disciplinary process that may take place. In the event of irregularities in assessment activities of the same subject, the student will be given a zero as the final grade for this subject.

On carrying out each evaluation activity, lecturers will inform students (on Moodle) of the procedures to be followed for reviewing all grades awarded, and the date on which such a review will take place.

* Single Evaluation:

Activity 1: Exercise 1 (4 marks, 40 % from the final mark) + Activity 2: Exercise 2 (4 marks, 40 % from the final mark) + Activity 3: Activity (2 marks, 20 % from the final mark).

The same reassessment method as continuous assessment will be used.

Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Activity	20%	5	0.2	2, 3, 1, 4, 7, 8, 6, 10, 9, 5

Exercise 1	40%	1.5	0.06	2, 3, 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 9, 5
Exercise 2	40%	1.5	0.06	2, 3, 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 9, 5

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