




5.00 credits

30.0 h

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This biannual learning is being organized in 2023-2024

Teacher(s)	Parys Laura ;Tavernier Jan ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites	None.
Main themes	An introduction to the cultures and beliefs of the Ancient Near East and Pharaonic Egypt. This course deals with the following themes: 1. The natural surroundings and the symbolism connected to them; 2. The founding literary works of the civilisations envisaged; 3. The beliefs of the Ancient Near Eastern and Egyptian peoples.
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to : of a better understanding of the ways of thinking of these antique civilisations. In order to achieve this goal, he will have been initiated into the great literary works of the Ancient Near East, and to the fundamental principles of the Egyptian religion.
Evaluation methods	An oral exam based on written preparation. The student will be questioned successively by the two teachers.
Teaching methods	The course is given by means of ppt that are well illustrated, including maps, texts and pictures.
Content	This course has two successive parts. 1. For the Ancient Near East , it focuses on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to give a general overview of the literatures of Mesopotamia, Anatolia and Ugarit; • to discuss the different genres of this literature, including an analysis of the main works (Gilgamesh, Enuma Elish, Kumarbi, the myths of Ugarit). 2. For pharaonic Egypt , it focuses on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the natural surroundings of the Two Lands and its symbolism; • Egyptian man (human nature, his conception of the afterlife, the tombs); • the gods (mythological stories, the temples, rituals and feasts).
Inline resources	The Moodle server allows one to obtain: 1. the syllabus on the history of the Ancient Near East, as well as the ppt of the course. 2. the ppt of the part of the course on Egypt, as well as a bibliography.
Bibliography	1. Proche-Orient ancien : le syllabus contient une bibliographie. 2. Égypte: Cl. Traunecker, <i>Les dieux de l'Égypte</i> (Que sais-je ?, 1194), Paris, 1992.
Faculty or entity in charge	EHAC

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	HORI1BA	5		
Minor in Literary Studies	MINLITT	5		
Minor in Antiquity: Egypt, Eastern World, Greece, Rome	MINANTI	5		
Minor "Decentering History: Subalternities and postcolonial Studies"	MINDHIS	5		