

Course Description

The Preliminary course is structured to provide students with opportunities to investigate past people, groups, events, institutions, societies and historical sites from the sources available, by applying the methods used by historians and archaeologists.

The HSC course provides the opportunity for students to investigate in depth the range and nature of archaeological and written sources that provide evidence for a life in Pompeii and Herculaneum. They also study the key features and sources of an ancient society, historical period and ancient personality.

Main Topics Covered

Preliminary

• Part I: Introduction

- Investigating the past: History, Archaeology and Science
- Case Studies (at least ONE)

• Part II: Studies of Ancient Societies, Sites and Sources

At least ONE study to be chosen.

• Part III: Historical Investigation

The investigation can be either integrated into any aspect of the Preliminary course or attempted as one project, individually or as part of a group.

HSC Course

- Part I: Core Study: Cities of Vesuvius - Pompeii and Herculaneum
- Part II: ONE Ancient Society (25%)
- Part III: ONE Personality in their Times (25%)
- Part IV: ONE Historical Period (25%)

Particular Course Requirements

In the Preliminary course, choices of studies in Parts I, II and III, must be chosen from different civilisations. The Historical Investigation and choice of topics in Parts I and II must not overlap or duplicate significantly any topic attempted for the HSC Ancient History or History Extension courses.

Faculty: HSIE

BOS Course No: 15020

2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course.

Exclusions: Nil

