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Classics & Ancient History

Induction Week

Monday 21 September -
Friday 25 September 2026



Welcome to the School of History, Classics & Archaeology!

INDUCTION AND OUR COMMUNITY

It is a pleasure to welcome you to our community of staff and students in HCA. This week, you will learn about your new programme, meet your Academic Adviser, and take part in lots of social and enrichment activities to help you settle in to the School. Please attend all the relevant sessions. We hope you enjoy the induction week activities that we have on offer!

CANVAS

In addition to the programme below, there are useful materials available via the [HCA Community](#) on Canvas, the virtual learning environment that you will use throughout your studies here. Please take the time to look through this important information and get used to the Canvas interface, once you have completed your registration.

GETTING READY FOR TEACHING NEXT WEEK

This week's sessions will help get you ready for next week, but make sure you also look up your timetable on the [Student Portal](#), which will be available the weekend before teaching starts.

GET IN TOUCH IF YOU NEED ANYTHING

If you have any queries at all do not hesitate to contact the School Office at Room 1.01, Armstrong Building. You can also call on 0191 208 7844 or email historical@ncl.ac.uk.

We hope you have a great start to your Newcastle experience!

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Monday 21 September

09.00-10.00

Stage 1 welcome talk

Armstrong Building, 2.16

General welcome and information session led by Head of Subject.

10.00-13.00

Academic Adviser meeting

Please see [Canvas](#) to identify your Academic Adviser and the time/location of your meeting.

This is a 1-hour session to introduce you to your Academic Adviser and get you started in your university life.

13.00-14.00

Stage 1 study skills

Armstrong Building, 2.16

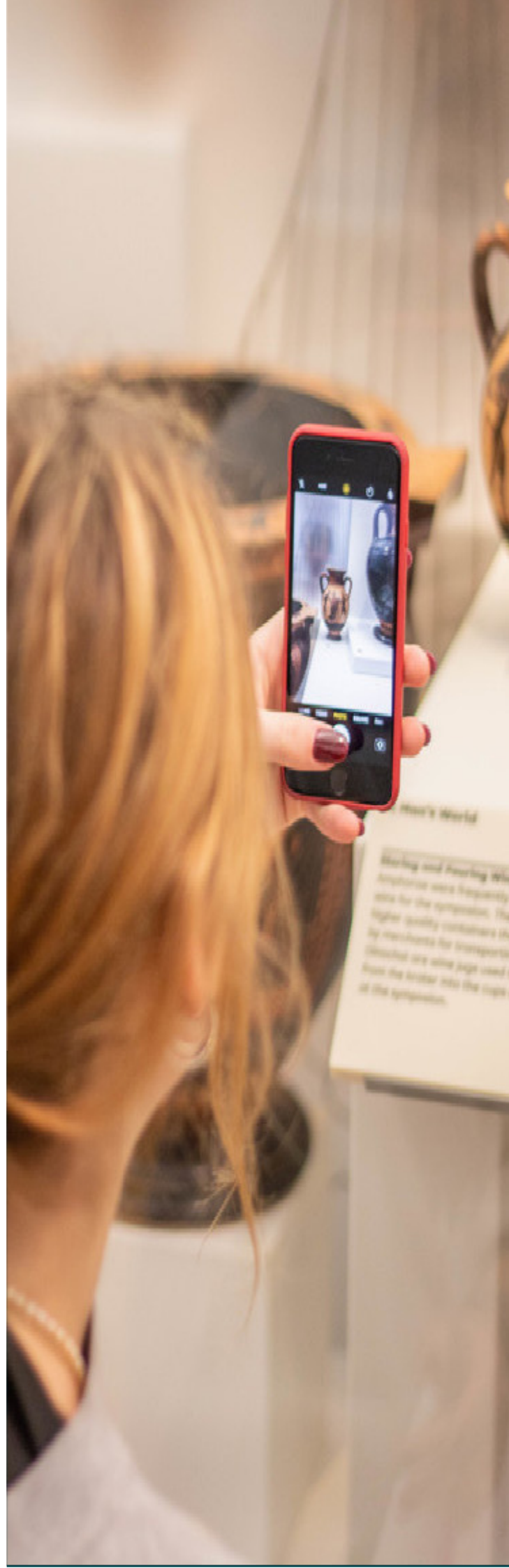
Led by your Head of Subject, this session will explore how to get started with your degree, and what your studies are all about.

14.00-15.30

Meet your Peer Mentor

Armstrong Building, 2.16

Get to know your Peer Mentor - a student within the School who is there to lend a helping hand with making a smooth transition to settling into and feeling at home within the University community.



Field Trip

Tuesday 22 September

WALLINGTON HALL AND THE CLASSICAL TRADITION

The idea behind this trip is to introduce you to some of the many ways in which the buildings, art and literature of ancient Greece and Rome have influenced western and particularly British culture, while also introducing you to some of the rich history of the region.

The trip combines a guided tour of part of the house and grounds, with the opportunity to explore both by yourselves at your own pace. There is an excellent café on site, and ample space for picnics on the grounds.

IMPORTANT DETAILS

Coaches will depart at 09:30am from the layby on Claremont Road, next to the Great North Museum. Please meet outside the main entrance to the Great North Museum at 9:15am where your academic lead will meet you. Coaches will leave the Hall at 3:30pm, returning to the University around 4.15pm.

In order to attend, please complete the [online form](#) before **12 noon on Monday 21st September.**

The trip is free of charge, but we need numbers in order to book the right number of coaches.





Wednesday 23 September

10.00-11.00

Latin taster lecture

11.00-12.00

Ancient Greek taster lecture

Armstrong Building, room 2.16

Come along to explore ancient Greek and Latin writers in their own words (alongside translations), try this out for yourself, and discover why it matters.

You are welcome to attend one or both sessions.

10.00-12.00

Stage 1 module fair

Henry Daysh Building 1.06,
Learning Lab & Event Space

Want to take modules in other subjects?*

In Stage 1, you have the option to take 20 credits outside of the School of History, Classics and Archaeology. This fair will provide more information about the modules available within the Faculty, and an opportunity to speak to members of staff who teach them.

****You do not need to attend this if you are happy with your current modules and do not want to take a non-HCA module.***

17.00-19.00

Welcome Reception

King's Hall, Armstrong Building



12.00-13.00

Ancient languages diagnostic test

Armstrong Building, room 1.28

If you already have some experience of studying ancient Greek or Latin and would like to continue, you should attend this session to sit a short test, so that your language level can be assessed and you can be advised which level of language module to sign up to.

WELCOME RECEPTION

*For all new Stage 1
students in History,
Classics & Archaeology*



WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2026

17:00 - 19:00 | KING'S HALL

GROUND FLOOR, ARMSTRONG BUILDING

soft drinks and nibbles

Thursday 24 September

12.00-13.00

Latin taster workshop

Barbara Strang Teaching
Centre, room BSTC.G.36

13.00-14.00

Greek taster workshop

Armstrong Building, room 1.06

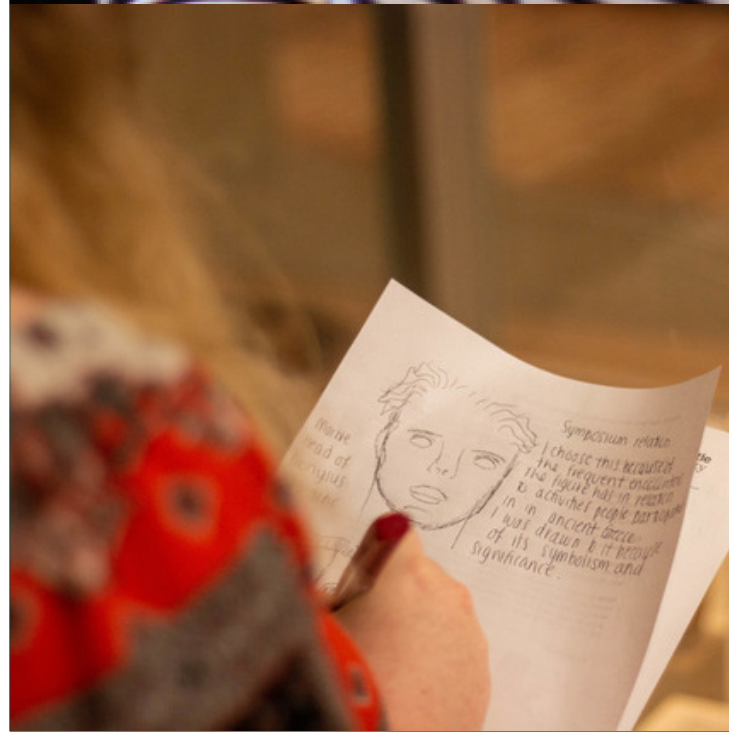
Come along to learn some key basics of Ancient Greek and/or Latin (including the Greek alphabet!) and gain 'hands-on' experience in working with ancient languages in ways you can use in your degree. You are welcome to attend one or both workshops.

14.00-16.00

Ancient Artefacts: object handling workshop

Armstrong Building, room 1.06

This optional workshop will offer you the opportunity to handle real ancient Greek and Roman artefacts, and learn about how you could use them in your degree.



Friday 25 September

Have a free day - enjoy the city, campus, and your new community, and we'll see you on Monday 28th September for the start of teaching!

