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**SUMMER VACATION 2012**  
**National and Capodistrian University of Athens**  
**Winter School of Modern Greek Language and Culture**

**Program Dates: 9 January – 16 February 2012**

**Deadline: Wednesday November 9<sup>th</sup> 2011**

### **Overview**

National and Capodistrian University of Athens was founded on 3 May 1837, and was housed in the residence of architect Stamatis Kleanthes, on the north east side of the Acropolis. It was the first University not only in the newly- established Greek State but in all the Balkans and the Eastern Mediterranean in general.

The National and Capodistrian University of Athens program is aimed at students who wish to further their Greek language skills by spending some time in an in country location and taking an intensive course.

### **Student Profile**

This program is specifically designed for Greek language students at Macquarie University.

The short term programs are primarily for students undertaking a study program with a language major at Macquarie University (BA/BIntStud/Dipl.Lang.). Only in exceptional circumstances will students from other faculties who have been studying a language at Macquarie will be permitted to participate, provided the credit gain from the program can be applied to their degree.

### **Student Numbers**

A maximum of 10 Macquarie students can participate in the course. Priority will be given to those students who are currently enrolled in degree and diploma of languages programs in the field of Greek studies.

Students will be placed in one of two language streams, according to their level of Modern Greek.

### **Program description**

The goal of the course is to familiarize students with the Greek way of life and the “language” of the Greek mass media. At least 60% of the course time will be devoted to the teaching of Modern Greek language, with emphasis on oral discourse. The course will also include the following:

- Modern Greek literature, history and lectures on topics of general interest.
- Field trips and visits to archaeological sites and museums in Athens and other places in Greece (*Mycenae, Epidavros, Nafplio, Delphi, Osios Loukas, Mesologi, Mystras, Olympia, Kalamata, Thessalonica, Vergina, Pella, Dion, and Sounio*). Visits to places of political and economical interest as well as attendance of cultural events will also be take place.

Please note that all participants require an elementary knowledge of Greek because the literature and history classes, lectures on topics of general interest, as well as the guided tours during the field trips will be taught in Greek.

### **Outcome**

- Advancement of Greek language skills
- Cultural and linguistic immersion in Athens
- Acquirement of credit points towards a Macquarie award program

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### **Timing and Duration of the Program**

The program will run from January 9th to February 16<sup>th</sup> 2012.

Classes will be held from Monday to Friday, four hours per day.

### **Assignment and Assessment**

Full participation in the program is expected of all students. Overall evaluation of students' performance will be based on three criteria:

- ✓ Attendance
- ✓ Participation (homework, assignments, oral participation during classes)
- ✓ Final exam at the end of the program.

### **Credit**

- Students participating in the course will be enrolled in in MGK130, MGK 230 or MGK330 according to their proficiency in the respective language
- All students must be enrolled in order to receive this credit, and standard tuition fees (HECS or full fee) for the enrollment are payable to Macquarie.
- Students cannot enroll themselves into the unit until they have been accepted into the program and a waiver has been entered.
- The results will be recorded as "satisfactory" or "fail" and, provided they pass, will not affect their GPA.

### **Selection Criteria**

- Students must be enrolled in a relevant Macquarie University degree award program at the time of application and also at the time of travel
- Students must have a satisfactory level of academic achievement with an expected Macquarie University GPA of a 2.5 or higher. . In exceptional circumstances, students with a GPA of 2.0 - 2.5 may be considered for short term programs only on the advice of the Head of The Department of International Studies. Students should in the first instance contact Joanna Rosenzweig [joanna.rosenzweig@mq.edu.au](mailto:joanna.rosenzweig@mq.edu.au) to outline their case for consideration.
- Students must receive credit points towards their MQ degree for their participation in this program.
- Priority will be given to students that are currently enrolled in a degree with a language major at Macquarie University.
- Students' eligibility will be assessed according to the guidelines in the Student Mobility Policy. [http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/important/student\\_exchange](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/important/student_exchange)
- Students will be selected to participate in the program based on academic merit, references and personal statement.
- Students enrolled in a Certificate in Languages only are not eligible for travel grants.
- Students enrolled in non award programs are not eligible to participate in the short term programs.

*Language students in their first year may participate in an in-country unit without having fulfilled the 18cp requirement on the following conditions:*

- They are enrolled in a Bachelor degree program at Macquarie
- They are enrolled in both Semester 1 and Semester 2 units for their chosen language
- They obtain a recommendation from the Department of International Studies
- The short program they are participating in is one that has been specifically designed for students

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going between 1st and 2nd semester language units

- The program offered is specifically established for a group of students that do not comply with the regular policy. If this is the case, it will be clearly advised in documentation about the program

### **Mobility Scholarships**

Mobility Scholarships from Macquarie International are intended to assist students in participating in student mobility programs. While the grants will assist in meeting program expenses, they are not intended to cover all costs and cannot be processed on demand. Grants are processed after the pre-departure session, and so applicants may need to be able to meet the costs of the program independently of the travel grant, where a grant cannot be processed in time for travel.

- Eligible students participating in this program will receive a Macquarie mobility scholarship of \$2000
- Students do NOT need to apply for the scholarship separately. Those accepted into the program will be assessed automatically.

### **OS – Help**

In the event that you should require additional financial assistance, the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) has announced the provision of loans to assist Australian students undertake some of their study towards their undergraduate degree overseas. The scheme is known as OS-HELP.

See further information on this link

[http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/process/accepted\\_exchange](http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/process/accepted_exchange).

### **Program costs**

Participation in the program will cost 750 Euro per student. This fee includes

- Field trips & guided tours
- Study material
- Cultural activities

Students will be responsible for making this payment directly to the university in due time. Proof of deposit will need to be presented to the relevant administrative body at the University of Athens, prior to commencement of the program. Further details will be provided upon acceptance into the program.

Students will also be responsible for paying for accommodation and meals (see below)

### **Accommodation Costs**

The University of Athens will secure student accommodation or hotel accommodation close to the University. Students will be required to pay accommodation fees directly to the accommodation provider. Prices are estimated at between 8-10 euro per day.

*Meals:* Lunch and dinner will be provided by the campus restaurant at the cost of 3 euros per person per day. Students will be responsible for making payment directly to the restaurant.

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### **Additional costs**

Students should expect to also pay the following amounts:

- **\$110** Macquarie short term program application fee. For more information on this fee please visit <http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm/costs>
- Tuition fee for the Residential unit at Macquarie (MGK130, MGK 230 or MGK330)
- Airfare (approx) - \$2,000 (depending on time of booking)
- Living expenses to include general expenses like travelling on weekends and outings. This amount will depend on students' individual preferences but it would be advisable to budget for approximately 600 euro

Macquarie International will provide:

- Travel insurance
- Pre-departure session
- Lonely planet guide - Greece

### **How to Pay Application Fee**

Application Fees (110 AUD) must be made in order for Macquarie International to assess students applications. This fee can be paid in two ways:

#### **In person**

EFTPOS and Credit Card payments can be made, in person, at the MiShop on level 1 of building E3A. Please note that except in extenuating circumstances, it is not possible to make cash payments.

#### **Online**

Go to <http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop>

Select "Events for Exchange students" on the left-hand menu. Then, select the International Exchange Program Application Fee and add it to your cart to pay online.

### **How to Apply**

The application form is online at:

<http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm>

You will be asked for:

- Your application type ("Short term program")
- Your personal details
- Your passport details
- Emergency contact details
- Your current study details
- Your university preferences and the units you hope to study at those universities
- A supporting statement, i.e., why do you want to go on exchange and what qualities do you think you have that will make you a good choice for the exchange program?
- Contact details for two referees

#### **Remember to click the 'Submit' button to submit your application.**

It should take around 20 – 30 minutes to complete the application. You can log out and log back in to finish it at a later date if necessary, but please remember to submit it by the deadline.

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Student applications must be submitted by **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2011.**

### **Notes for International Students**

International students must still comply with Australian visa conditions for class attendance and pass rates whilst overseas – general requirements for international students, as dictated by the ESOS Act, must still be met.

For more information please visit

[http://www.immi.gov.au/business-services/education-providers/third\\_country\\_exchanges.htm](http://www.immi.gov.au/business-services/education-providers/third_country_exchanges.htm)

International students are permitted to travel home before and/or after their program, except where logistic fees include group flights that cannot be amended.

<p><b>Students should direct initial enquiries to:</b></p> <p>Joanna Rosenzweig Overseas Study Adviser Building W6A, Room 212 Ph: +61 2 9850 7033 Fax: +61 2 9850 6057 Email: <a href="mailto:joanna.rosenzweig@mq.edu.au">joanna.rosenzweig@mq.edu.au</a> Consultation hours: Mon -Tues –Thurs (From 10a.m. to 12p.m. and from 2p.m to 4 p.m.)</p>	<p><b>Dr. Elizabeth Kefallinos</b> Head of Modern Greek Studies W6A 216</p> <p>Macquarie University North Ryde NSW 2109 Australia Email: <a href="mailto:elizabeth.kefallinos@mq.edu.au">elizabeth.kefallinos@mq.edu.au</a></p>
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