

Practicum: Material Culture of the Roman Provinces (A003332)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 3.0

Study time 90 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024

A (semester 2)

Dutch

Gent

seminar

practical

Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024

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Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Materials, Roman, material culture

Position of the course

This advanced course is part of a series Domain-specific practice courses, which aims at teaching students the techniques and methods of describing and illustrating archaeological material, building on the course Introduction to materials. This course will focus on typology and technology of different categories of artefacts, both of local and imported nature, from the Provincial-Roman period.

Contents

Evolution of ceramics (typology and technology) during Roman times in the Northern provinces of the empire. Other material groups (leather, bone, metal, stone) will also be discussed.

Initial competences

- To have successfully completed the course Introduction to Materials.
- To have successfully completed (or to follow simultaneously) the course Archaeology of the Provincial-Roman period.

Final competences

- 1 To be able to determine Roman material globally, on the basis of type and form.
- 2 To be able to use the study of ceramics as a way to reconstruct chronological and socio-economic processes
- 3 To be able to evaluate the research of earthenware and situate it in the right context.
- 4 To be able to analyse and recognise Gallo-Roman artefacts
- 5 To have basic knowledge of the diversity of archaeological finds of the Provincial-Roman period, based on personal experience with materials.
- 6 To be able to use the results of material study to add to the general site interpretation based on specific casestudies.
- 7 To be able to reflect critically of the relations between groups of finds and their contexts

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Practical

Extra information on the teaching methods

Lectures: introduction lecture for each topic giving a theoretical background before the start of the exercises

Seminar: practical exercises either in group and/or individually in order to practice the skills and knowledge concerning the study of objects of the Provincial-Roman period.

Learning materials and price

PowerPoint presentations, assigned literature and a syllabus will be made available.

Estimated cost: 50 EUR

The acquired registration and drawing material from the introductory material study course is reused here.

References

No specific references

Course content-related study coaching

Contact moments every week with practical exercises.

Assessment moments

continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period****Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

Participation, Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods

The student is given an individual or group assignment to determine and report his or her findings. The report is evaluated, as well as the participation during sessions. Attendance in the practical sessions is therefore mandatory.

Calculation of the examination mark

Non-periodical: continuous assessment (100%)

Passing all (partial) assignments is mandatory. Otherwise, the final score is equated to the highest non-deliverable number.

Facilities for Working Students**Class attendance**

1 Class attendance is mandatory and will be included in the calculation of the final score

2 To be discussed with the teacher

Online facilities

1 No online/digital facilities (lectures take place on campus, without recordings)

Catch-up exam

1 It is not possible to take the exam at another time

Feedback

1 Possibility to receive feedback at another time: by appointment

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