

MODULE SPECIFICATION PROFORMA

Module Code:	HUM458		
Module Title:	The Roman Em	pire: People and Pow	er
Level:	4	Credit Value:	20
Cost Centre(s):	GAHN	JACS3 code:	V160

Faculty:	Arts, Science And Technology	Module Leader:	Peter Bolton	
Scheduled learning and teaching hours				36 hrs
Guided independent study				164 hrs
Placement				0 hrs
Module duration (total hours)				200 hrs

Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards)	Core	Option
BA (Hons) Social & Cultural History	✓	
BA (Hons) Social & Cultural History & English		\checkmark
BA (Hons) Social & Cultural History & Creative Writing		\checkmark

Pre-requisites

N/A

Office use only

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Module Aims

This module aims to:

- Introduce students to daily life and political power in Rome and its Empire
- Consider the role of the family and ritual in the ancient world

Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability

- KS1 Written, oral and media communication skills
- KS2 Leadership, team working and networking skills
- KS3 Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
- KS4 Information technology skills and digital literacy
- KS5 Information management skills
- KS6 Research skills
- KS7 Intercultural and sustainability skills
- KS8 Career management skills
- KS9 Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, selfmanagement)
- KS10 Numeracy

At	At the end of this module, students will be able to		Key Skills	
1	Explain the importance and uses of Roman customs and pastimes	KS1 KS4		
		KS6 KS5		
2	Analyse the way in which power was won and lost in Rome and its Empire			
3	Evaluate the way in which Rome's influence has continued throughout the ages	KS6		
		KS7		
4	Analyse written, inscriptional and physical sources across different media platforms	KS1		
		KS3		
		KS4		
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Transferable skills and other attributes

Students will be able to develop and demonstrate:

- Empathy with the past
- An appreciation of moral and ethical issues
- The ability to communicate in a creative manner



Derogations

N/A

Assessment:

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Assessment One will be a poster presentation which focuses on aspects of Roman culture.

Assessment Two will be an essay which deals with the main themes of the module and is designed to test student understanding and knowledge of the period.

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriate)
1	1, 2 4	Poster Presentation	40		2000
2	2, 3	Essay	60		2000

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The module comprises lectures, seminar sessions and field-trips. These sessions employ primary and secondary source evaluation across a range of different media to stimulate discussion and encourage understanding.

Syllabus outline:

- Rome: Myth and Reality
- The Family in Ancient Rome
- Religion in the Roman World
- The physical and cultural impact of Rome
- *Hic Situs Est:* Roman memorial
- Representations of Rome: From Ben Hur to Mary Beard



Indicative Bibliography:

Essential reading

Carcopino, J., *Daily Life in Ancient Rome: The People and the City at the Height of the Empire* (London: Penguin, 1991)

Lewis, N & Meyer Reinhold, *Roman Civilisation*, vol. 2 (New York: Columbia University Press, 1990)

Other indicative reading

Dixon, S., *The Roman Family* (Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, 1992)

Goodman, M., The Roman World: 44 BC-AD 180, 2nd Edition (Oxford: Routledge, 2013)

Jones, P., Veni, Vidi, Vici: (Atlantic Books, 2014)

Parkin, T. and A.J. Pomeroy, Roman Social History: A Sourcebook (Oxford: Routledge, 2007)

Suetonius, The Twelve Caesars, ed. J.B. Rives, (London: Penguin Classics, 2007)

Theodorakopoulo, Elena, Ancient Rome at the Cinema: Story and Spectacle in Hollywood and Rome (Bristol: Phoenix Press, 2010)

Journals

The Classical World

The Classical Review

The Classical Journal

Electronic Sources

Internet Ancient History Sourcebook (Fordham University)

http://www.fordham.edu/Halsall/ancient/asbook09.asp