

# **AHIS321**

# From Constantine to Theodora: Church and State in Late Antiquity

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**Ancient History** 

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## **General Information**

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Credit points

3

Prerequisites

39cp or (6cp in AHIS or AHST units at 200 level)

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

The age of Constantine was a watershed in European history; this unit traces developments in politics, religion and literature from the fourth to the mid-sixth centuries in the Eastern and Western empires. Major themes include: historiography; church/state relations; and the role of women in society. The unit also provides an introduction to study in Medieval and Byzantine history.

## Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <a href="https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates">https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates</a>

# **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

Analyse and express your judgement about the history of church and state in late antiquity in oral and written form at an advanced undergraduate level.

Interpret written and archaeological evidence with appreciation and understanding of

their context and modern interpretations of them with a greater emphasis on analysis than description.

Work with and respond to the views of staff and other students in the unit in both oral and written form.

Plan, revise and submit written work according to schedule.

Draw together and judge pre-selected and self-located evidence to provide an analysis of an important aspect of the history of church and state in late antiquity at an advanced undergraduate level.

Demonstrate both specific and overall knowledge of church and state in late antiquity under exam conditions at a mature undergraduate level.

## **General Assessment Information**

#### Criteria and Standards for Grading

Please see the statement of full criteria and standards for grading against which individual assessment tasks will be judged on the unit's iLearn web page.

#### **Submission Method for Assessment Tasks**

For internal students, tutorial papers must be submitted in the tutorial for the week in which it relates. For example, if you are submitting the tutorial paper for week 5, it must be submitted to your tutor in the tutorial for week 5. Tutorial papers will not be accepted at any other time. All tutorial papers submitted in tutorials must include a signed essay submission cover. These may be generated at the following link:

#### http://www.arts.mq.edu.au/current\_students/undergraduate/coversheet

Papers submitted through turn-it-in by internal students will not be accepted. External students are required to submit tutorial papers through turn-it-in on the unit's iLearn web site by 5pm, Friday of the week to which the tutorial paper relates. No papers will accepted after 5pm, Friday of the relevant week.

#### Referencing requirements for written work

Tutorial papers must be referenced in accordance with the full version of the Essay Presentation Guide available on the Department of Ancient History website at the following address:

http://mq.edu.au/about\_us/faculties\_and\_departments/faculty\_of\_arts/department\_of\_ancient\_history/current\_students/teaching\_materials/

Tutorial papers must also include a bibliography. Footnotes/endnotes should only include references to texts, books articles, etc. They should not include discussion. Footnotes/endnotes and bibliographies do not count towards the word limit.

#### **Successful Completion of the Unit**

In order to successfully complete the unit, candidates must attempt all items of assessment and achieve an overall mark of 50% or above.

#### **Extensions and Late Submission of Assessment Tasks**

Extensions can only be granted in exceptional cases and may only be sought after consultation with the unit convenor and before the assignment is due.

As noted above, for internal students tutorial papers may only be submitted in the tutorial to which they relate. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, papers will not be accepted after the tutorial to which they relate. For external students, papers must be submitted through turn-it-in on the unit's iLearn web site by 5pm on the Friday of the week relevant to that tutorial topic. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, papers will not be accepted after 5pm, Friday.

For Disruption of Studies Policy see under Policies and Procedures.

#### **Final Examination Details**

The final examination is centrally administered and has a 2-hour time limit. It is a closed-book exam which will comprise a compulsory essay question, short answer questions and short essay questions. More information about the examination will be given in week 10 of the unit.

## **Assessment Tasks**

Name	Weighting	Due
Tutorial Papers	40%	Week 7/Week 13
Participation	20%	Ongoing
Examination	40%	TBA

# **Tutorial Papers**

Due: Week 7/Week 13

Weighting: 40%

Two tutorial papers of 1,500 words each based on the questions from your choice of 2 tutorials throughout the semester. One paper must be submitted by week 7. For internal students, all papers must be submitted in class. For external students, papers must be submitted throughout turn-it-in on the unit website by 5pm Friday in the relevant week.

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# Participation

Due: **Ongoing** Weighting: **20%** 

External student contributions to online discussions on a weekly basis are assessed on the basis of contributions throughout the semester. Internal students are assessed on their participation in live tutorials.

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## Examination

Due: TBA

Weighting: 40%

A two-hour, sit-down examination based on material covered in lectures, tutorials and online discussions throughout the semester.

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# **Delivery and Resources**

#### **Staff Contact details**

The Lecturer for the first half of second semester 2014 is **Dr Mark Hebblewhite** (Rm. 516, W6A, e-mail address: <a href="mark.hebblewhite@mq.edu.au">mark.hebblewhite@mq.edu.au</a>). In the second half of the semester, Dr Peter Edwell will be the lecturer. (Rm. 516, W6A, e-mail address: <a href="mark.hebblewhite@mq.edu.au">peter.edwell@mq.edu.au</a>).

Tutorial staff, consultation hours and contact details to be advised.

#### **Required Unit Materials**

The only compulsory book for this unit is a Book of Readings which is available in the Co-op Bookshop. It is essential to purchase the Book of Readings because it contains all of the texts which form the basis of tutorial questions and discussions. Weekly tutorial questions and bibliographies are available on the unit's iLearn web page.

#### Important dates

Semester Commences: Monday, 4 August

Semester Break: Monday, 20 September to Friday, 3 October

Semester recommences: Monday, 6 October– Friday, 14 November

Examinations commence: Monday, 17 November

#### **Lecture and Tutorial Times**

Lecture	Class_01	Tue	10-12	W6B336
Tutorial_1	Class_01	Tue	12	W5C311
Tutorial_2	Class_02	Tue	16	X5B136
	Class_03	Tue	17	X5B134

#### **Technology Used**

Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient.

The lectures for this unit will be recorded and the audio recordings will be available on the Echo

360 system. There is also an iLearn page for the unit which can be accessed at <a href="http://ilearn.mq.e">http://ilearn.mq.e</a> <a href="http://ilearn.mq.e">du.au/</a>. Readings will be available on e-Reserve and iLearn; other digital resources will also be placed on the iLearn site.

## **Unit Schedule**

Week 1 Tuesday, 5 August

**Lecture:** General introduction to unit and the third century background

**Tutorial:** No tutorials in first week

Week 2 Tuesday, 12 August

**Lecture:** The Tetrarchy and the Rise to Power of Constantine.

**Tutorial:** Eusebius and the Great Persecution

Week 3 Tuesday, 19 August

**Lecture:** Constantine as Sole Emperor: AD 324-337

Papyrology and History in Late Antiquity (Dr Malcolm Choat)

**Tutorial:** Eusebius and Lactantius: The Conversion of Constantine

Week 4 Tuesday, 26 August

**Lecture:** The Sons of Constantine: Constantius II, Constantine II and Constans

**Tutorial:** Athanasius, *History of the Arians* 

Week 5 Tuesday, 2 September

**Lecture:** The Emperor Julian

Historiography and Ammianus Marcellinus (Professor Alanna Nobbs)

**Tutorial:** Themistius

Week 6 Tuesday, 9 September

No lectures or tutorials.

Week 7 Tuesday, 16 September

**Lecture:** "Romanitas" and the Barbarians (Associate Professor Andrew Gillett)

The Late Roman Army

**Tutorial:** Sources on the death of Julian

Week 8 Tuesday, 7 October

**Lecture:** From Valentinian to Theodosius I

**Tutorial:** Ammianus Marcellinus on the Battle of Adrianople

Week 9 Tuesday, 14 October

**Lecture:** Church/State relations in the fifth century

**Tutorial:** Symmachus & Ambrose: The debate on the altar of victory

Week 10 Tuesday, 21 October

**Lecture:** Rome and the church outside the Empire

**Tutorial:** Codex Theodosianus

Week 11 Tuesday, 28 October

**Lecture:** The Development of Monasticism in Late Antiquity

**Tutorial:** Theodoret's Life of Simeon Stylites

Week 12 Tuesday, 4 November

**Lecture:** The Emperor Justinian

**Tutorial:** Pseudo-Joshua the Stylite

Week 13 Tuesday, 11 November

**Lecture:** Empresses, Church and State

Unit summary

Tutorial: Procopius & Malalas: The Nika Riots and Theodora

# **Learning and Teaching Activities**

## Two hour lecture

Lectures will cover broader themes in relation to church and state in late antiquity. There will also be guest lectures on more specific topics.

#### Online discussions

Discussions are run on a weekly basis. Discussion questions are the same as internal tutorial questions.

#### Written assessments

2 x 1,500 word essays based on your choice of one discussion topic from weeks 2 to 7 and one discussion topic from weeks 8-13.

### Examination

2 hour examination in which a broad, interpretative question will be asked together with a number of more specific questions.

## **Policies and Procedures**

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from <u>Policy Central</u>. Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy <a href="http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic\_honesty/policy.ht">http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic\_honesty/policy.ht</a> ml

Assessment Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/assessment/policy.html

Grading Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grading/policy.html

Grade Appeal Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/gradeappeal/policy.html

Grievance Management Policy <a href="http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance\_management/policy.html">http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance\_management/policy.html</a>

Disruption to Studies Policy <a href="http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\_studies/policy.html">http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\_studies/policy.html</a> The Disruption to Studies Policy is effective from March 3 2014 and replaces the Special Consideration Policy.

In addition, a number of other policies can be found in the <u>Learning and Teaching Category</u> of Policy Central.

#### Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student\_conduct/

## Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <a href="http://students.mq.edu.au/support/">http://students.mq.edu.au/support/</a>

## **Learning Skills**

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.

- Workshops
- StudyWise
- · Academic Integrity Module for Students
- Ask a Learning Adviser

## Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the <u>Disability Service</u> who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

## Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

## IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <a href="http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel">http://informatics.mq.edu.au/hel</a>
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When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the <u>Acceptable Use Policy</u>. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

# **Graduate Capabilities**

# Capable of Professional and Personal Judgement and Initiative

We want our graduates to have emotional intelligence and sound interpersonal skills and to demonstrate discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgement. They will exercise initiative as needed. They will be capable of risk assessment, and be able to handle ambiguity and complexity, enabling them to be adaptable in diverse and changing environments.

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#### Assessment tasks

- Tutorial Papers
- Participation
- Examination

## Learning and teaching activities

- 2 x 1,500 word essays based on your choice of one discussion topic from weeks 2 to 7 and one discussion topic from weeks 8-13.
- 2 hour examination in which a broad, interpretative question will be asked together with a number of more specific questions.

## Commitment to Continuous Learning

Our graduates will have enquiring minds and a literate curiosity which will lead them to pursue knowledge for its own sake. They will continue to pursue learning in their careers and as they participate in the world. They will be capable of reflecting on their experiences and relationships with others and the environment, learning from them, and growing - personally, professionally and socially.

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# Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

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## Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

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# Problem Solving and Research Capability

Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

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#### Creative and Innovative

Our graduates will also be capable of creative thinking and of creating knowledge. They will be imaginative and open to experience and capable of innovation at work and in the community. We want them to be engaged in applying their critical, creative thinking.

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## **Effective Communication**

We want to develop in our students the ability to communicate and convey their views in forms effective with different audiences. We want our graduates to take with them the capability to read, listen, question, gather and evaluate information resources in a variety of formats, assess, write clearly, speak effectively, and to use visual communication and communication technologies as appropriate.

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## Engaged and Ethical Local and Global citizens

As local citizens our graduates will be aware of indigenous perspectives and of the nation's historical context. They will be engaged with the challenges of contemporary society and with knowledge and ideas. We want our graduates to have respect for diversity, to be open-minded, sensitive to others and inclusive, and to be open to other cultures and perspectives: they should have a level of cultural literacy. Our graduates should be aware of disadvantage and social justice, and be willing to participate to help create a wiser and better society.

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## Socially and Environmentally Active and Responsible

We want our graduates to be aware of and have respect for self and others; to be able to work with others as a leader and a team player; to have a sense of connectedness with others and country; and to have a sense of mutual obligation. Our graduates should be informed and active participants in moving society towards sustainability.

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# **Changes since First Published**

Date	Description
29/ 07/ 2014	Hi Lea I realized yesterday that I needed a statement somewhere in the unit guides regarding the necessity of essay cover sheets and the requirement for tutorial papers to be fully referenced. I've updated this in the study guides for both internals and externals. Everything else is the same. Peter