



# AHIS378

## Egyptian Hieroglyphs B

S2 Day 2014

*Ancient History*

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## General Information

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Credit points

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Prerequisites

6cp at 200 level including (AHIS278 or AHST260)

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit builds upon AHIS278 providing further study of Middle Egyptian grammar as well as the study and interpretation of Middle Egyptian hieroglyphic texts.

## Important Academic Dates

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

## Learning Outcomes

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

Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.

Recognize and memorize extended Egyptian vocabulary.

Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of study.

Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.

Employ linguistic metalanguage.

Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and/or writing Egyptian texts.

Investigate the significance of Egyptian for the study of relevant ancient cultures.

## General Assessment Information

Your work will be assessed against:

1. Accuracy of transliteration of hieroglyphic texts (Vocab Tests, Class Tests, Assignment, Exam)
2. Accuracy of translation (Vocab Tests, Class Tests, Assignment, Exam)
3. Comprehensiveness and accuracy, employing appropriate linguistic metalanguage, of grammatical commentary (Class Tests, Assignment and Exam)

## Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Due
<a href="#">Vocabulary Tests (4)</a>	10%	Weeks 2, 5, 10, 12
<a href="#">Translation Tests (4)</a>	40%	Weeks 4, 7, 9, 11
<a href="#">Translation Task (1)</a>	20%	Week 6
<a href="#">Exam (1)</a>	30%	Week 13

### Vocabulary Tests (4)

Due: **Weeks 2, 5, 10, 12**

Weighting: **10%**

Transliteration and translation of 20 Egyptian words and expressions.

Vocabulary lists specify the corpus of words for each of the tests; the testing is cumulative as an incentive for constant revision and consolidation.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.
- Recognize and memorize extended Egyptian vocabulary.
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.

### Translation Tests (4)

Due: **Weeks 4, 7, 9, 11**

Weighting: **40%**

You are given a text comprising one sentence in hieroglyphic script:

(1) Transliteration and translation of the text (2) Analysis of grammatical forms

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.
- Recognize and memorize extended Egyptian vocabulary.
- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of study.
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.
- Employ linguistic metalanguage.
- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and/or writing Egyptian texts.
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## Translation Task (1)

Due: **Week 6**

Weighting: **20%**

You are given a text comprising several connected sentences in hieroglyphic script:

(1) Transliteration and translation of the text (2) Analysis of grammatical forms

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.
- Recognize and memorize extended Egyptian vocabulary.
- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of study.
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.
- Employ linguistic metalanguage.
- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and/or writing Egyptian texts.
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## Exam (1)

Due: **Week 13**

Weighting: **30%**

You are given 2 Middle Egyptian texts (both "unseen") in hieroglyphic script:

(1) Transliteration and translation of the text (2) Analysis of grammatical forms

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.
- Recognize and memorize extended Egyptian vocabulary.

- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of study.
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.
- Employ linguistic metalanguage.
- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and/or writing Egyptian texts.
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## Delivery and Resources

Delivery: Day and External (online)

Technologies: This unit uses iLearn and Echo360. All students in both modes have access to the same unit iLearn site.

Times and location for Lectures and Tutorials: for current updates, lecture times and classrooms please consult the MQ Timetables website: [www.timetables.mq.edu.au](http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au)

The unit is taught as a "lectorial", this means lecture and tutorial are integrated as a 3-hour block. Each of these sessions is recorded and then made available on the iLearn site for the external students. The unit website also contains additional materials, revision exercises, and various practice quizzes that are designed to assist the student with continuous learning. Active engagement with the website is essential to successfully complete the unit.

The students are expected to complete the Exercises set in preparation for each class. This will enable them to participate actively in class, get feedback on their work, ask pertinent questions, and integrate the new topics into a progressively more solid foundation.

Vocabulary Tests and Translation Tests are conducted and assessed online for all students. For details on the submission of the Assignment (Translation Task in Week 6) and the final Exam (in Week 13) see the iLearn site.

Resources:

Required textbook: B.G. Ockinga, *Concise Grammar of Middle Egyptian*, 3rd edition (Mainz, 2012).

## Unit Schedule

A weekly schedule will be provided in iLearn.

## Learning and Teaching Activities

### 1. Participation in class

Exploring, applying and consolidating knowledge and understanding of Middle Egyptian.

### 2. Preparation for class

Revising the new topics and applying them to new texts.

### 3. Vocabulary learning

Consolidating knowledge of words and phrases of Middle Egyptian (basic and advanced level).

### 4. Analysing grammar

Applying skills to de-code and understand the sentence structures of Middle Egyptian texts.

### 5. Transliteration and Translation

Transliterating and translating authentic texts. This means using the the vocabulary and grammar skills to understand Middle Egyptian texts.

## Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](#). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy [http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic\\_honesty/policy.html](http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic_honesty/policy.html)

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 [http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance\\_management/policy.html](http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/grievance_management/policy.html)

Disruption to Studies Policy [http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption\\_studies/policy.html](http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption_studies/policy.html) *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 [Learning and Teaching Category](#) 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/](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student_conduct/)

## Student Support

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

## Learning Skills

Learning Skills ([mq.edu.au/learningskills](http://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 [Disability Service](#) 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](http://ask.mq.edu.au)

## IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <http://informatics.mq.edu.au/help/>.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use Policy](#). 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

#### Learning outcome

- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of study.

#### Assessment task

- Exam (1)

#### Learning and teaching activity

- Consolidating knowledge of words and phrases of Middle Egyptian (basic and advanced level).

## 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

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- Investigate the significance of Egyptian for the study of relevant ancient cultures.

## **Assessment tasks**

- Vocabulary Tests (4)
- Translation Tests (4)
- Translation Task (1)
- Exam (1)

## **Learning and teaching activities**

- Exploring, applying and consolidating knowledge and understanding of Middle Egyptian.
- Revising the new topics and applying them to new texts.
- Consolidating knowledge of words and phrases of Middle Egyptian (basic and advanced level).

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

- Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.
- Recognize and memorize extended Egyptian vocabulary.
- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of



study.

- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.
- Employ linguistic metalanguage.
- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and/or writing Egyptian texts.
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## **Learning and teaching activities**

- Exploring, applying and consolidating knowledge and understanding of Middle Egyptian.
- Revising the new topics and applying them to new texts.
- Consolidating knowledge of words and phrases of Middle Egyptian (basic and advanced level).
- Applying skills to de-code and understand the sentence structures of Middle Egyptian texts.
- Transliterating and translating authentic texts. This means using the the vocabulary and grammar skills to understand Middle Egyptian texts.

## **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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## **Learning outcomes**

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- Applying skills to de-code and understand the sentence structures of Middle Egyptian texts.
- Transliterating and translating authentic texts. This means using the the vocabulary and grammar skills to understand Middle Egyptian texts.

## 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

## Learning outcomes

- Recognize and recall Egyptian script and transliteration at an advanced level.
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- Investigate the significance of Egyptian for the study of relevant ancient cultures.

## Assessment tasks

- Translation Tests (4)
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## Learning and teaching activities

- Exploring, applying and consolidating knowledge and understanding of Middle Egyptian.
- Applying skills to de-code and understand the sentence structures of Middle Egyptian texts.

## 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.

This graduate capability is supported by:

### Learning outcomes

- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Egyptian texts appropriate to level of study.
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools.
- Employ linguistic metalanguage.
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- Transliterating and translating authentic texts. This means using the the vocabulary and grammar skills to understand Middle Egyptian texts.

## Changes from Previous Offering

With the planned introduction of Egyptian Hieroglyphs C in Session 1 2015, the more complex grammar has been removed from Hieroglyphs B to be replaced by more reading of texts.

## Extensions

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

**Late assignment policy** (Department of Ancient History)

Assessment tasks / assignments are compulsory and must be submitted on time. As a general rule, extensions will not be granted without a valid and documented reason (e.g. medical

certificate). Late submissions will be penalised by 2% for each day (including weekends) the assignment task is late. No assignments will be accepted after assignments have been corrected and feedback has been provided.

**Assignment tasks handed in early** will not be marked and returned before the due date.

For **Special Consideration Policy** see under Policies and Procedures.

## **Technologies used and required**

See Deliveries and Resources