



DEMOCRITUS UNIVERSITY OF THRACE

DEPARTMENT OF GREEK PHILOLOGY

"Mythical Thrace"

Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programme (BIP),

1 - 5 July 2024

Alexandroupolis, Greece

BIP Code: 2022-1-EL01-KA131-HED-000054981-7

Objectives of the BIP:

The main goal of the Programme is to highlight the cultural richness of the region of Thrace and to familiarize students with its mythological background. Further, the Programme will seek to understand the impact of myths in the shaping of the greco-roman civilization, thus stimulating a sense of common European consciousness. Apart from the textual study of myths, particular emphasis will be paid to the use of myths in innovative teaching methods concerning the ancient world and cutting edge subjects, such as myths and gender, myths in the digital era and myths in European education.

Activities of the BIP:

During the morning sessions (3 hours) the students will attend lectures about the myths of Thrace and their reception in art and cinema, as well as courses and interactive workshops. They will also familiarize themselves with the platform <https://mythotopia.eu/>, which was created in the framework of the research project "Mythological Routes in Eastern Macedonia and Thrace" by the Department of Greek Philology of the Democritus University of Thrace and the Research Institute "Athena".

In the afternoon sessions (2 hours) they will have the opportunity to visit a variety of sites and landmarks of the region of Thrace, such as Samothraki island, as well as museums

(Archaeological, Ethnological and Silk Museum) and participate in several cultural events of the area (wine tasting, cinema etc.).

These activities will be complemented by **online sessions** before and after the stay in Thrace as follows:

26.06.2024 (2 hours) - preparation and instructions for students

10.07.2024 (2 hours) - wrap up activities

The successful completion of the BIP provides **3 ECTS credits**.

Practical Information:

- The Program is addressed to undergraduate students, graduate students, doctoral candidates, postdocs, who have a special interest in Greek mythology, its sources and related digital tools.
- The language of instruction is **English**. No language certificate is required, but a good knowledge of English is required.
- Participants will be given a certificate of attendance.
- The **grant** that students will receive from their Universities is secured from funds specifically provided by the Erasmus+ Programme for Blended Intensive Programmes and amounts to 70€ (call 2022) or 79€ (call 2023) per day per student (5 days of activities [1-5 July] and 2 days of travel [30 June and 6 July]). From this money students will have to cover their travel and accommodation expenses in Greece.
- The accommodation will be in triple rooms at the hotel Ramada Plaza in Alexandroupolis (<https://www.ramadaplazathraki.com/en/>) at the price of 33€ per person per night (all taxes included). Students with fewer opportunities will receive an additional grant. Educational material, meals and internal travel will be covered by the Democritus University.
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