ANCIENT GREEK AND ROMAN TECHNOLOGY

From the invention of fire technology to the creation of the world's first computer, people of Ancient Greece and Rome have developed a wide range of materials, machines, and constructions to make their lives easier, increase productivity or fulfill other needs in their increasingly complex societies. Many of their technological achievements are still admired today. This course will provide students with a good grasp of various ancient technologies, including pottery production, architecture and engineering, water and land transport, and machines of various kinds, in order to foster an appreciation of the ancients' ingenuity, while at the same time giving students a good understanding of the possibilities and constraints inherent in ancient technologies. This course will involve hands-on experience whenever possible. Students will be able to research topics of their choice.

Writing-emphasis course; 3 credits. Course available for graduate credit as Clas/Anth 562.

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