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Regulations for Studies, Internship, Mobility, and Dissertation



**of the M.A. Program
“Ancient Texts and Modern Readings” of the
Department of Philology, University of Ioannina**

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I. Regulations on Studies and Thesis Preparation of the Postgraduate Program

A. General Provisions

The Department of Philology of the School of Philosophy at the University of Ioannina organizes and operates, as of the academic year 2025–2026, a **Postgraduate Program (M.A.) entitled “Ancient Texts and Modern Readings”** (English title: *Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*), in accordance with the provisions of Law 4957/2022 and the applicable legislation.

The structure of studies and the preparation of theses are governed by the **Operational Regulations of the Postgraduate Program** (Articles 13 and 14), the **Regulations for Postgraduate Programs of the University of Ioannina** (Government Gazette, Issue B’ 4942/07.08.2023), the **Internal Regulations of the Institution**, as well as by the **relevant legislation and decisions of the University’s governing bodies**.

B. Subject Area – Purpose

(Article 2 of the Postgraduate Program Regulations)

The subject area of the Postgraduate Program (M.A.) entitled “**Ancient Texts and Modern Readings**” of the Department of Philology, University of Ioannina, is the advancement of knowledge and research in the field of **Classical Philology**, and more specifically in:

- (a) Ancient Greek Philology,
- (b) Latin Philology, and
- (c) related recognized specializations such as **Palaeography; History, Criticism, and Editing of Ancient Greek and/or Latin Texts; Papyrology; Mycenaean Philology; Special and General Didactics of Classical Philology; Ancient Greek and/or Roman Theatre; Reception of Ancient Greek and/or Latin Literature; Gender Approaches to Ancient Greek and/or Latin Literature; and Digital Applications in Classical Philology**.

The purpose of the Postgraduate Program “**Ancient Texts and Modern Readings**” is to promote research, further education, and specialization of young scholars in the scientific field of Classical Philology, both within the framework of the **Division of Classical Philology** of the Department of Philology at the University of Ioannina and in a broader interdisciplinary context.

More specifically, the Program aims to cultivate and expand students’ capacity for knowledge and synthetic research from an interdisciplinary perspective; to produce scholars and researchers with the highest possible level of training and specialization in the theoretical and practical aspects of Classical Philology, emphasizing contemporary research trends and developments. Graduates will be able to meet the growing demand for qualified Classical Philologists in the public and private sectors, both in Greece and abroad, and will be equipped to contribute to education, research organizations, public administration, cultural institutions, and universities.

At the same time, the Program seeks to provide an appropriate foundation for second-cycle students (Master’s level) who wish to pursue **third-cycle studies (Doctoral level)** and engage in academic research, as well as to contribute to the **promotion and dissemination of Classical Studies** in Greece and internationally. It also aims to strengthen the University’s international presence by fostering research, participation in international conferences, and publication in peer-reviewed international journals.

The **Department of Philology** possesses sufficient teaching staff to provide academic and administrative support to the Program, as well as the necessary facilities and infrastructure to ensure its smooth operation. Based on the **Feasibility and Sustainability Study** for the establishment and operation of the M.A. Program “*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*” (Article 2, paragraph 2, subparagraph 2 of the **Regulations for Postgraduate Programs of the University of Ioannina**, Government Gazette, Issue B’ 4942/07.08.2023), the teaching venues of the Program are determined, and the adequacy and quality of the required infrastructure and equipment are presented.

The M.A. Program “*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*” is fully consistent with the subject area of the Department’s undergraduate program. It builds upon the solid foundation provided by the undergraduate curriculum in Philology to broaden and deepen students’ perspectives on issues relevant to the contemporary study of Ancient Greek and Latin Philology, offering **high-quality, specialized knowledge** in the various subfields of Classical Philology.

The Program promotes the **production and dissemination of knowledge**, the **development of know-how, methodologies, and research results** in the field of Classical Philology. Students become familiar with modern research methods through participation in guided working groups, research seminars, workshops, and conferences related to Classical Philology, where they have the opportunity to present their research and receive feedback.

The **faculty members** teaching in the M.A. Program “*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*” have a substantial record of research and teaching in the field, with publications in leading international and Greek journals and academic publishers.

The ultimate goal of the Program is to train scholars equipped with the necessary skills for a successful career in **education**, as well as in the broader **private, public, and academic sectors**.

C. Degree Title and Award of the Master’s Degree

(Articles 3, 22 and 23 of the Postgraduate Program Regulations)

1. The Postgraduate Program (M.A.) entitled “**Ancient Texts and Modern Readings**”, with a subject area in **Classical Philology**, confers a **single Master’s Degree (M.A.)**, without specializations. Graduate students may choose the topic of their Master’s Dissertation among the following areas:
 - (a) Ancient Greek and Latin Philology,
 - (b) Ancient Greek Philology,
 - (c) Latin Philology,
 - (d) Reception of Ancient Greek and/or Latin Literature,
 - (e) Gender Approaches to Ancient Greek and/or Latin Literature,
 - (f) Textual History and Textual Criticism/Editing,
 - (g) Special Didactics, and
 - (h) Digital Applications in Classical Philology.
2. The format of the Master’s Degree, by type of postgraduate program, is uniform across all Departments of the University of Ioannina. A standardized template is used, the elements of which (title layout and size, logo arrangement, wording, spacing, font, etc.) are binding.
3. The **M.A. degree parchment** of the Postgraduate Program “*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*” is signed by the **Rector**, the **Chair**, and the **Secretary** of the Department of Philology of the University of Ioannina.

4. The M.A. degree is issued in both **Greek and English**.
5. Upon completion of their studies, graduate students are awarded a **Diploma Supplement** in Greek and English, in accordance with current legislation and **free of charge**. The Diploma Supplement is signed by the Chair and the Secretary of the Department of Philology of the University of Ioannina. It provides information concerning the **nature, level, context, content, and status of the studies successfully completed**. It should be noted that the Diploma Supplement does not substitute for the official degree certificate or the detailed transcript of records.
6. The original degree parchment is issued on **vellum paper**, at the student's expense. The amount of the fee is determined by decision of the competent body of the University.
7. The Master's Degrees of the Postgraduate Program "*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*" are conferred during a **graduation ceremony** organized by the Department of Philology of the University of Ioannina, held on the same day and at the same venue as the graduation ceremony for the Department's undergraduate program. The ceremony is conducted in the presence of the Director of the Postgraduate Program, the Dean of the School or the Chair of the Department (or their deputy), and a representative of the Rector. For the oath, see Article 23 of the Postgraduate Program Regulations.

D. Categories of Admitted Students

(Paragraph 2, Article 9 of the Postgraduate Program Regulations)

(a) Eligible for admission to the M.A. Program "*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*" of the Department of Philology, University of Ioannina, are graduates of Departments of Philology from Schools of Philosophy, as well as graduates of other University Departments in Greece with **related subject areas**, or of **recognized equivalent institutions abroad**, whose degrees have been officially recognized as equivalent to those awarded by Greek Higher Education Institutions.

In the case of graduates from other Departments with related subject areas, applications may be accepted in **exceptional cases**, following a **reasoned recommendation** from the relevant Division and the Coordinating Committee of the Program. The **type and number of any supplementary requirements** for such cases are determined by the **General Assembly of the Department of Philology** of the University of Ioannina.

(b) For graduates of Greek Higher Education Institutions, **proficiency in at least one foreign language** (English, French, German, Italian, or Spanish) at **Level B2** is a prerequisite, to ensure their ability to engage with international bibliography and relevant research sources.

Language proficiency must be demonstrated through submission of an official certificate (e.g., English: Lower or TOEFL [500+]; French: DELF 2; German: Mittelstufe, etc

If such certification is not available, proficiency is verified through a **written examination** (translation of an academic text) conducted by a **language-specific committee** appointed by the Department's Assembly, following a recommendation from the Coordinating Committee.

For **foreign applicants**, adequate knowledge of the **Greek language** is assessed by the Evaluation Committee; if necessary, the Committee may recommend participation in **Greek language courses** at the **Center for the Teaching of Greek Language and Culture (K.E.D.E.G.PO.)**.

(c) As **supernumerary students**, one member per academic year may be admitted from the categories of **Special Educational Personnel (E.E.P.)**, **Laboratory Teaching Staff (E.D.I.P.)**, or **Special Technical Laboratory Staff (E.T.E.P.)**, provided that their degree and duties within the University are relevant to the Program, and that they meet the admission requirements of Article 9(1) of the Regulations, as well as the selection criteria of Article 9(3).

For details regarding the **announcement, criteria, and selection process** of graduate students, see Article 9 of the Postgraduate Program Regulations.

E. Structure and Courses of the Postgraduate Program

(Article 13 of the Postgraduate Program Regulations)

1. Studies in the M.A. Program “*Ancient Texts and Modern Readings*”, including the preparation of the required **Master’s Dissertation**, are organized into **three semesters**. The first two semesters (winter and spring) include courses and workshops, while the third semester is devoted to the preparation of the **Master’s Dissertation (M.D.D.)**.
2. Courses take the form of **seminar-style lectures with compulsory attendance** and are divided into two categories:
 - one **compulsory course (C)** titled “*Research Methodology Issues*”, and
 - **compulsory elective courses (CE)**.

Students must complete a total of **five (5) courses** during the first two semesters: one compulsory course and four compulsory electives (CE).

In the **first semester**, students take the compulsory course and one CE course; in the **second semester**, they take three CE courses.

The compulsory electives are chosen from an approved list so that each semester includes the required total number of courses (two in the first semester, three in the second).

Course rearrangements between semesters may occur upon decision of the **Departmental Assembly**, which also ratifies the final course schedule of the Program. The **compulsory course** carries **20 ECTS credits**, while each **compulsory elective** carries **10 ECTS credits**. The heavier workload of the compulsory course reflects its central importance in preparing students for academic and professional research; without the skills and knowledge it provides, students cannot meet the demands of the other research-oriented courses.

Students must successfully complete all **five courses (60 ECTS)** before submitting a **request at the beginning of the third semester** to undertake their Master’s Dissertation, which corresponds to **30 ECTS credits**.

To ensure the viability of all CE courses, the **minimum enrollment** per course is **two (2)** students, and the **maximum** is **five (5)**, so as to guarantee academic quality and instructional effectiveness through an optimal number of participants.

For the academic year **2025–2026**, the courses of the Program are structured as follows:

Course Structure

Semester A

Compulsory Course (20 ECTS)

1. **ELF001: Research Methodology** (Instructor: H. Gasti)

Compulsory Elective Courses (*each worth 10 ECTS*)

For the second (2nd) course, students may choose **one (1)** of the following:

1. **AEΦ011: Narrative, Orality, and Character in Homeric Epics** (Instructor: Ch. Zekas)
 2. **AEΦ002: How We Read the Presocratics** (Instructor: V.-S. Chrysakopoulou)
 3. **ΛΑΦ001: Poetic and Political Approaches to Roman Elegy** (Instructor: V. Pappas)
 4. **ΕΛΦ003: Linguistic Concepts and Practices in Greco-Roman Antiquity** (Instructor: P. Philos)
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Semester B

Compulsory Elective Courses (*each worth 10 ECTS*)

Students may choose **three (3)** of the following:

1. **ΠΠΟΣΛ002: The Reception and Transformations of Sophocles' Antigone in Twentieth-Century Theatre** (Instructor: A. Samiou)
 2. **ΛΑΦ003: Latin Poetry of Late Antiquity** (Instructor: F. Polymerakis)
 3. **ΕΛΦ002: Reading Classical Texts Digitally – Analytical and Computational Approaches** (Instructor: St. Chronopoulos)
 4. **AEΦ004: Greek Palaeography and Modern Editing of Ancient Greek Texts** (Instructor: P. Athanasopoulos)
 5. **ΠΑΙΑ001: A Critical "Reading" of the Teaching of Philological Subjects in Education** (Instructor: I. Fykaris)
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Semester C

ΜΑΔ001: Master's Thesis (30 ECTS)

Potentially Offered Compulsory Elective Courses (*each worth 10 ECTS*)

1. **AEΦ010: Issues of Internal Poetics in Ancient Greek Literature** (Instructor: E. Gasti)
2. **AEF005: Scientific Literature: Aratus, *Phaenomena*** (Instructor: Ch. Avgerinos)

3. The Master's Program (M.Sc.) "Ancient Texts and Modern Readings" begins in the winter semester, during the first week of October. Courses are conducted either in the morning or afternoon hours. The start and end dates of courses, as well as the duration of examination periods, are aligned with the academic calendar of the Institution. Each semester-long course comprises thirteen (13) weeks, with three (3) weekly hours of

instruction. At the discretion of the instructor, part of the course may be devoted to tutorials, laboratory work, or practical exercises.

4. The language of instruction of the M.Sc. Program is Greek. In exceptional cases, upon a justified recommendation by the Program Committee (P.C.) and approval by the Department, a part of the instruction (maximum of two three-hour postgraduate courses) may be conducted in a language other than Greek. The language of the Master's Thesis (M.Sc. Dissertation), following a recommendation by the supervising professor, a justified recommendation of the P.C., and Department approval, may be different from Greek (Article 4 of the M.Sc. Regulations).

5. The educational process takes place face-to-face in the seminar rooms "Sakali" and/or "Kakridis" of the Department of Philology, University of Ioannina. For reasons of force majeure or exceptional circumstances, up to 35% of the total teaching may be conducted via distance learning (through Skype, Zoom, Microsoft Teams, etc.) (see paragraph 6, Article 13 of the M.Sc. Regulations). It is clarified that the 35% threshold may be increased by decision of the Department Assembly if educational needs and the specific conditions of the Program so require.

6. Part of the educational activities of the M.Sc. Program may be conducted using distance learning methods in accordance with European standards and specifications. The University of Ioannina maintains an electronic platform (e-course) accessible to persons with disabilities, through which asynchronous distance learning services are provided. Educational material for each course may be uploaded to the platform, including lecture notes, presentations, exercises, indicative solutions, and recorded lectures, provided that applicable data protection legislation is observed. According to current legislation, asynchronous distance learning methods within the framework of M.Sc. Programs may not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total ECTS credits of the Program. Asynchronous distance learning is used supplementarily to enhance and support the educational process, for example, to provide additional material, submit assignments, or engage in other learning activities. Under no circumstances may distance learning replace face-to-face teaching.

7. It is mandatory to make up a missed class to complete the required teaching hours. The date and time of the make-up session are posted on the M.Sc. website or on the asynchronous e-learning platform.

F. Duration of Studies (Article 12 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

1. The standard duration of studies in the M.Sc. Program "Ancient Texts and Modern Readings," leading to the award of the Master's Degree (M.Sc.), is three (3) semesters, including the time required for the preparation, assessment, and evaluation of the Master's Thesis. Courses correspond to ninety (90) ECTS credits. According to paragraph 2, Article 11 of the University of Ioannina Postgraduate Programs Regulations (Government Gazette, Issue B' 4942/07.08.2023): "In each semester, students may earn a maximum of thirty (30) ECTS credits." The maximum duration of study is defined as twice the minimum duration (2n). The maximum duration for part-time study is defined as the maximum study duration plus two (2) additional semesters (paragraph 8, Article 12 of the M.Sc. Regulations).

2. Part-time study is possible upon a justified application by the student and approval by the Department Assembly. The right to apply for part-time study is granted to:

- a) Students who demonstrably work at least twenty (20) hours per week;
- b) Students with disabilities or special educational needs;
- c) Students with serious family reasons;
- d) Students who are athletes and, during their studies, are members of sports clubs registered in the electronic registry of sports clubs of Article 142 of Law 4714/2020 (Official Gazette A' 148), under the following conditions:
 - da) For the years in which they achieve rankings from 1st to 8th place in national championships of individual sports with at least twelve (12) athletes and eight (8) clubs, or compete in teams of the two (2) highest categories in team sports, or participate as members of national teams in European championships, world championships, or other international competitions under the Hellenic Olympic Committee; or
 - db) Participate at least once, during the course of their studies in the Program for which they seek part-time status, in the Olympic, Paralympic, or Deaflympic Games. Students in this subcategory may enroll as part-time students after approval by the Department Assembly.

3. An extension beyond the maximum study duration may be granted for urgent family or health reasons, upon a justified request and approval by the Department Assembly. The extension period may not exceed the minimum number of semesters of standard M.Sc. study.

If, after the extension, the Master's Thesis is not submitted on time or if the examiners request corrections that cannot be completed within the period until the announcement of the final grade (i.e., within twenty (20) days from the examination at most), the student must register for an additional semester in order to submit the revised thesis by the end of the following semester. Failure to submit beyond two semesters or beyond the maximum study duration (2n), whichever occurs first, results in dismissal from the Program.

Postgraduate students retain all rights and benefits granted to undergraduate students until the end of any granted extension, except for the right to receive free textbooks.

4. Students who have not exceeded the maximum duration of study may suspend their studies for a period not exceeding a total of two (2) academic semesters, following a justified application to the Department Assembly. Suspension may be granted for serious reasons (military service, illness, maternity leave, study abroad, etc.) and must be supported by relevant official documentation proving the grounds for suspension.

During the suspension period, student status is inactive, and participation in any educational activity is prohibited. Suspended semesters are not counted toward the maximum duration of standard study. At least two weeks before the end of the suspension, students must re-register in order to resume their studies with full rights and obligations

Students may request early termination of a suspension and return to the Program only if the suspension was granted for two consecutive academic semesters. Such a request

must be submitted no later than two weeks before the start of the second suspended semester.

G. Teaching, Attendance, and Examinations (Articles 12, 13, and 14 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

1. Each semester-long course consists of thirteen (13) weeks, with three (3) weekly hours of instruction. At the instructor's discretion, part of the course may be devoted to tutorials, laboratory work, or practical exercises.
2. At the beginning of each semester, within a deadline set by the Department Assembly, each postgraduate student declares the courses they intend to attend.
3. Attendance is mandatory for postgraduate students. Attendance records are maintained by the instructor. To obtain a final grade, students must attend at least three-quarters (3/4) of the seminars and fully meet all related obligations within the timeframes defined by the M.Sc. Regulations.
4. Students are assessed through examinations, written and/or oral assignments, or a combination thereof, at the discretion of the instructor. Alternative assessment methods may be offered and selected in consultation with the instructor. Assessment methods are announced at the start of each semester. The examination period lasts one week and coincides with the last week of the postgraduate semester (end of February and end of June). During examinations, the integrity of the assessment process must be ensured by the instructors.
5. For courses assessed by a final written and/or oral examination, the first examination session is held in February for winter semester courses and in June for spring semester courses. The second (resit) session takes place in September.
6. Topics for written and oral assignments are announced at the start of each semester by the instructor. It is the instructor's responsibility to ensure the availability of adequate literature accessible to students for each research topic.
7. Topics for written assignments may coincide with oral assignment topics, but the written assignment should address the topic more comprehensively and in greater depth.
8. Students who are absent without justification from the final examination or fail to submit required assignments on time receive a grade of zero (0).
9. In case of failure, students must retake the same or another course in a subsequent semester. A student may fail a maximum of two courses. Failure in more than two courses results in dismissal from the Program upon recommendation of the Program Committee and decision of the Department Assembly.
10. Written assignments required for courses must be submitted to the instructor before the end of the semester (February 20 and June 30, respectively).
11. Deadlines for submission are strictly enforced. Extensions of up to ten (10) days may be granted only for serious, justified reasons and after explicit individual agreement with the instructor. Late submissions will not count toward the final grade.
12. Written assignments and examination papers must be returned corrected by the instructor, with any comments or feedback. Students who have not received their corrected work may request it in writing from the Program Committee.
13. Examination results are announced by the instructor and sent to the M.Sc. Secretariat within three (3) weeks at the latest. Repeated delays must be reported by the Program Director to the Department Assembly.
14. Grade corrections are permitted only in cases of obvious clerical or cumulative errors, following a written request from the responsible instructor and a decision by the Department Assembly or the Program Committee.

15. Examination papers are retained for two (2) years by the responsible instructor. After this period, the papers lose validity, and the Program Committee issues a record for their destruction, unless legal, disciplinary, or other administrative procedures are pending.

16. The minimum passing grade for each course is 5 (out of 10). Courses are graded in whole or half units. Grade scale: Excellent (8.5–10), Very Good (6.5–8.5, not inclusive), and Good (5–6.5, not inclusive).

17. In cases of emergencies or force majeure, alternative assessment methods may be applied, such as electronic written or oral examinations, provided the integrity of the assessment process is ensured.

18. In cases of force majeure affecting a student, such as illness or recovery from a serious condition, the instructor is encouraged to facilitate the student in the most appropriate way (e.g., oral remote examination or a deferred examination). During oral examinations, the instructor must not be alone with the student.

19. All assessment methods must ensure equal access for all students. For students with disabilities or special educational needs, alternative examination protocols may be applied according to the guidance of the University's Equal Access Unit.

20. When a course is divided into separate groups, care must be taken to ensure uniformity in examinations and assessment criteria.

H. Evaluation of the Educational Process (Article 5 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

At the end of each academic semester, postgraduate students are required to evaluate each course and the instructor via the questionnaire available at <https://classweb.uoi.gr>. Students may anonymously submit comments and observations regarding:

- a) the teaching of the postgraduate course,
- b) the content of the postgraduate course,
- c) the M.Sc. Program as a whole.

I. Master's Thesis (Articles 8 and 13.5 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

1. To obtain the Master of Science (M.Sc.) degree, in addition to the successful completion of six (6) courses in the first two semesters, students must successfully complete the Master's Thesis (M.Th.). The M.Th. is written in Greek. Writing the thesis in another language is subject to the restrictions of Article 4 of the M.Sc. Regulations.
2. According to Article 12.2 of the University of Ioannina Postgraduate Programs Regulations (Government Gazette B' 4942/07.08.2023):

“The commencement of the Master's Thesis (M.Th.) takes place after all courses of the Program have been attended and successfully passed.”

The M.Th. must be individual, original, research-oriented, and follow the writing guidelines and scientific standards posted on the M.Sc. website. The thesis topic must fall within the subjects of the M.Sc. “Ancient Texts and Modern Readings.”

3. At the start of the third semester, the student submits a request to the M.Sc. Secretariat indicating the proposed supervisor. The Department Assembly appoints the supervisor, who proposes the thesis title. The Examination Committee, consisting of at least three members, is appointed by the Department Assembly upon recommendation of the supervisor. At least one member of the Committee must be the supervisor. All members should have expertise in the field of the M.Sc. or related to the thesis topic. Committee members may belong to the categories described in Article 5.1 of the M.Sc. Regulations.
4. After completing the M.Th., the student submits three (3) digital copies to the Department Secretariat. The submission deadline is February 28. Students are granted a statutory extension of one semester, in which case the submission deadline is August 31. Upon positive evaluation by the Examination Committee, the date of the public defense is set and announced on the Department website. After the defense and incorporation of suggested corrections, the final thesis is submitted in a) digital format and b) two printed copies: one for the Classical Philology Laboratory and one for the M.Sc. archive titled "Ancient Texts and Modern Readings."
5. The thesis length must be between 60 and 100 pages in 1.5 line spacing (Times New Roman), including notes (single-spaced), but excluding bibliography, indices, and tables. With the supervisor's approval and the M.Sc. Committee's consent, this may extend up to 130 pages.
6. Bibliographic sources must adhere to academic integrity. Proven plagiarism in coursework or the thesis leads to penalties:
 - For coursework: a new assignment may be assigned in the following semester.
 - For the thesis: the thesis is nullified, and the student is dismissed.
7. The Examination Committee evaluates the thesis structure, content, methodology, results, bibliography, explanatory elements, public presentation, and overall scientific competence of the student.
8. After the defense, the Committee prepares the Public Defense Record, including comments and the final grade, submitted for Department Assembly approval. In case of failure, resubmission is allowed after two months following corrections.
9. Approval requires at least two positive votes. The final grade is the average of the passing grades (minimum 5/10). Grades range from 0 to 10.
10. If the thesis is not submitted on time or cannot be corrected within twenty (20) days after the defense, the student must register for an additional semester to submit the corrected thesis. Delays beyond two semesters result in dismissal.
11. Approved theses are submitted to the digital repository "OLYMPIAS" as per University Senate decisions.
12. In exceptional cases, the supervisor or a Committee member may be replaced by Department Assembly decision upon recommendation of the M.Sc. Committee.
13. The M.Sc. Committee and the Department Assembly handle disputes concerning the thesis.
14. Supervisors must hold a Ph.D. and may be:
 - a) Faculty members, Special Teaching Staff, Laboratory Teaching Staff, or Special Technical Laboratory Staff of the Department of Philology;

- b) Emeritus or retired faculty members;
 - c) Adjunct lecturers during their contract period.
15. Supervisors may also include faculty with relevant expertise not currently teaching in the M.Sc., subject to approval.
 16. Supervisors moving to another university may continue supervising with the student's consent; the degree is awarded exclusively by the University of Ioannina.
 17. Examination Committee members may be those listed in Article 5.1 of the M.Sc. Regulations.

J. Evaluation Criteria for the Master's Thesis (M.Th.)

The Thesis is graded by the three-member Examination Committee based on the following nine (9) criteria:

1. Scope of the topic.
2. Title and satisfactory chapter structure.
3. Introduction.
4. Theoretical background, literature review, and argumentation.
5. Methodology and adherence to academic ethics.
6. Conclusions.
7. Style and correctness of writing.
8. Formatting, editorial quality, and bibliographic references.
9. Oral presentation.

K. Awarding the Master of Science Degree (Article 21 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

1. The student completes the M.Sc. by fulfilling the minimum course and ECTS requirements and successfully completing the Master's Thesis. The Department Assembly verifies completion to award the degree.
2. A total of ninety (90) ECTS is required: sixty (60) from courses/activities and thirty (30) from the thesis.
3. The degree conferral date is the thesis defense date, provided all coursework and ECTS requirements are met. In case of extended thesis submission, the conferral date is the supervisor's submission date to the Secretariat. Degree validity is subject to approval by the Department Assembly.
4. Upon completion, the student receives a Certificate of Completion, loses student status, and ceases participation in University governance.
5. The degree grade is the weighted average of course grades multiplied by their ECTS credits, divided by total ECTS.
6. The grading scale: Excellent (8.5–10), Very Good (6.5–8.5, exclusive), Good (6–6.5, exclusive), recorded with two decimal points.
7. The degree may be revoked if plagiarism is detected in the thesis, following review by a newly appointed three-member committee without participation of the original supervisor or examiners. The student has the right to a hearing and legal representation.

L Rights and Obligations of Postgraduate Students (Article 15 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

1. There are no tuition fees for students of the M.Sc. “Ancient Texts and Modern Readings.”
2. Students have the same rights and benefits as undergraduate students until the end of any approved extension, except for free textbooks.
3. Accessibility for students with disabilities or special needs is ensured, including adapted teaching and assessment protocols ([link](#)).
4. Doctoral candidates or students from cooperating institutions may audit courses with instructor and Committee consent.
5. Each student is assigned an Academic Advisor from the Department faculty to monitor academic progress. Details are posted on the M.Sc. website.
6. Students who have not received graded corrections may submit a written request to the Committee for feedback.
7. Participation is required in seminars, workshops, laboratory visits, conferences, lectures, and other scientific events related to the M.Sc. field.
8. Students may serve as exam proctors and provide supplementary teaching support, as decided by the Department Assembly.
9. Career support is provided by the University’s Career Office ([link](#)).
10. Financial support may include:
 - a) Scholarships from other institutions;
 - b) Participation in Greek or European research projects;
 - c) Merit-based scholarships or compensation for services, subject to Committee approval and budget availability.
11. Students may receive compensatory scholarships for assisting in undergraduate teaching programs, following Committee-approved criteria and available funding sources.

M. Rights and Obligations of Teaching Staff

The obligations of instructors include, among others:

- providing a course or lecture description,
- listing relevant bibliography,
- conducting course examinations, and
- maintaining communication with postgraduate students.

At the end of each semester, each course and instructor is evaluated by postgraduate students via a dedicated questionnaire available at <https://classweb.uoi.gr> (see Article 5.5 of the M.Sc. Regulations).

Instructors of the M.Sc. “Ancient Texts and Modern Readings” are required to grade students’ written assignments and theses. Failure to fulfill this duty, if reported by a

student to the competent authorities, follows the procedure outlined in the M.Sc. Complaint and Objection Management Regulation, posted on the M.Sc. website.

The rights and obligations of instructors are governed by Law 4957/2022 (see Articles 155, 156, 170, 171, 172, and 173).

N. Dismissal or Disciplinary Sanctions of Postgraduate Students (Article 17 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

1. The Department Assembly of the University of Ioannina, upon recommendation of the M.Sc. Committee, may decide to dismiss postgraduate students if they:
 - exceed the maximum allowed absences,
 - fail course examinations and do not complete the program successfully,
 - exceed the maximum duration of study defined in the Regulations,
 - fail to meet their academic obligations as outlined in the Internal Regulations of the M.Sc.,
 - are proven to have violated Article 197 of Law 4957/2022 (e.g., damaging University property, obstructing University operations, using or trafficking prohibited substances within the University, or committing any felony/misdemeanor related to student status),
 - submit a personal request for withdrawal.
2. In cases of disciplinary violations such as plagiarism, examination malpractice, misuse of University facilities, or pollution of University property, the following sanctions may be applied:
 - written reprimand,
 - prohibition from taking exams for one or more semesters,
 - temporary or permanent restriction of access to University facilities,
 - suspension of student status for one (1) to twenty-four (24) months.

The same sanctions may apply if students fail to meet obligations specified in the Internal Regulations of the Department.

O. Plagiarism (Article 18 of the M.Sc. Regulations)

Postgraduate students submitting any assignment or thesis must indicate whether they have used the work or views of others. Copying constitutes a serious academic offense. Plagiarism includes:

- copying another person's work,
- using another person's work (published or unpublished) without proper citation,
- presenting any supporting material, including the student's own prior work, without proper reference.

All cases of plagiarism or academic misconduct are referred to the M.Sc. Committee for evaluation and recommendation to the Department Assembly. Violations include any infringement of intellectual property in coursework or Master's Thesis preparation.

**P. Postgraduate Student Complaint and Objection Management Mechanism
(Article 19 of the M.Sc. Regulations)**

1. Complaints or objections regarding M.Sc. procedures are submitted electronically to the Department Secretariat or via a special form on the M.Sc. website. The Complaint and Objection Management Regulation is posted at <https://pmsclassical.philology.uoi.gr>.
2. Complaints received by the Secretariat are immediately forwarded via email or printed copy to the M.Sc. Director, who convenes the M.Sc. Committee, ensuring anonymity, confidentiality, and data protection.
3. The Director communicates with the individual involved or convenes a meeting with the student, Academic Advisor, and relevant faculty to find a solution.
4. If unresolved, the Director refers the complaint or objection to the Department Assembly for further deliberation and decision.
5. For very serious complaints, the Director may inform appropriate University authorities (e.g., Vice Rector for Academic Affairs and Student Welfare, Student Ombudsman).
6. If the complaint concerns the M.Sc. Director, the oldest faculty member of the M.Sc. Committee assumes responsibility for handling the process.
7. Complaints should be resolved within twenty (20) working days.

II. Internship Regulations of the M.Sc. “Ancient Texts and Modern Readings” Department of Philology, University of Ioannina

Article 1 – General Provisions

1. Internship (I) constitutes an important part of higher education, as it provides a fundamental link between theory and practice, contributing to both the effective consolidation of students’ knowledge and skills and the smoother integration of graduates into the labor market. This regulation is drafted pursuant to Article 69 of Law 4947/2022, as amended by Article 44 of Law 5128/2024 and Article 1 of Government Gazette B’ 5473/02.10.2024.
2. Within the M.Sc. program “Ancient Texts and Modern Readings,” internships are offered as an optional educational activity aimed at the practical application of the theoretical knowledge acquired and familiarization of students with potential workplaces.
3. Internships are carried out at public services, legal entities under public law, local government organizations (first and second degree), private legal entities, and enterprises (hereafter “host organizations”), under the supervision of a faculty member of the program. Internships may also take place abroad if educational supervision is feasible.
4. A tripartite internship agreement is signed between the University (HEI), the student, and the host organization. Successful completion of the internship grants five (5) ECTS credits, recorded in the Diploma Supplement, which are not counted toward the total ECTS required for the Master’s degree. The supplement also includes the type of internship, host organization, and its duration (see Article 9).

Article 2 – Organizational Structure of the Internship

1. The University Senate appoints a **University Internship Coordinator** for a three-year term, from among faculty (TEP, EEP, ETEP) with overall supervision of internships at the institution.
2. The Department Assembly or the Coordinating Committee of the M.Sc. appoints for a three-year term:
 - a) **Program Internship Coordinator**, responsible for supervising the internship process, coordinating the Internship Committee, supervisors, and host organizations, and submitting an annual report to the Department Assembly.
 - b) **Internship Committee**, a three-member committee chaired by the Program Internship Coordinator, responsible for evaluating student applications, selecting students, coordinating internship activities, resolving issues, and appointing supervisors.
 - c) **Internship Appeals Committee**, also three members, responsible for examining student objections regarding selection decisions. Decisions are communicated to the Internship Committee for final implementation.
3. Internship Coordinators and Committees may serve multiple programs.
4. **Internship Supervisors** guide students throughout the internship, liaise with host organizations to ensure learning outcomes, and report to the Program Coordinator and Internship Committee. Supervisors may be faculty or staff of the Department or M.Sc. program.

Article 3 – Eligibility for Internship

1. M.Sc. students may apply for an internship at any time during the first year.
2. Students must be physically present at the host organization; remote internships are not allowed.
3. Internships cannot be conducted at organizations owned or operated by relatives of the student.

Article 4 – Required Documentation

Applicants must submit:

1. CV.
2. Brief cover letter to the Department of Philology, stating interests, reasons for the internship, and criteria for choosing a host organization.
3. Academic transcript of first and second cycle studies (up to application date).

Article 5 – Selection Criteria

Selection and ranking criteria vary depending on the type of internship (see Article 9).

Article 6 – Tie-breaking

In case of a tie, academic transcripts, CV, and cover letter are considered for ranking.

Article 7 – Compensation and Insurance

1. Internships are compensated upon completion.
2. Weekly duration over 20 hours is considered full-time; monthly compensation: €350, including social contributions.
3. Weekly duration of 20 hours is considered part-time; monthly compensation: €175, including social contributions.
4. Compensation and insurance obligations rest with the paying organization.
5. Full-time internships range from 20 to 40 hours per week.
6. Interns are mandatorily insured for accidents via e-EFKA. Health benefits follow Law 3232/2004.
7. Insurance costs are included in compensation and borne by the host organization or ELKE project budget.
8. Compensation may partially or fully be covered by the host organization or ELKE funds.
9. Internship compensation and insurance do not affect other financial aid or benefits. Interns acquire no employment or pension rights beyond the internship.

Article 8 – Duration and Hours

1. Duration depends on the type of internship (2–6 months, see Article 9).
2. Compensation is awarded if weekly hours meet at least half of the supervisor's weekly workload, with a minimum of 20 hours. Full-time internships align with

the supervisor's full weekly workload; part-time internships are half of that. Maximum weekly hours: 40.

Article 9 – Types of Internship

Students may choose between:

(a) Domestic Internship outside NSRF:

- Up to 6 months, funded privately via ELKE.
- Weekly hours: 20–40.
- ELKE is the employer for social contributions.
- Host organization must register students in the ERGANI II system before and after the internship.
- Application process: announcement, collection of applications, selection, interview/test by host, contract signing, monthly payments to ELKE for compensation and social contributions.

(b) International Internship via Erasmus+:

- Eligibility per Erasmus+ rules; applications through institutional calls.
- Duration: 2–12 months (funding up to 4 months).
- Priority based on application timestamp, GPA, number of courses passed, and language proficiency.
- Restrictions for prior Erasmus participants, applicants from host country, or students with financial obligations to IKY.

Further information:

- [Erasmus Office University of Ioannina](#)
- [Department Erasmus Info](#)

Article 10 – Rights and Obligations

1. Interns must follow host organization safety and labor regulations. Upon completion, students submit:
 - Work diary,
 - Host organization supervisor certificate,
 - Department supervisor certificate.
2. The host organization appoints a **Host Supervisor** with relevant experience to supervise the internship, provide feedback, collaborate with the program supervisor, and submit documentation to the Department.
3. Internships are conducted only at host organization premises; any external travel costs are borne by the host.
4. Internship termination may occur if the host fails to comply with supervision obligations, assigns unrelated tasks, or if the student violates contractual obligations. In the latter case, compensation already received must be returned.

III. Erasmus+ Mobility Regulations – University of Ioannina (Department of Philology)

1. Objectives and Benefits

- Develop **horizontal skills**: language skills, intercultural knowledge, adaptability.
- Enhance **employability** and professional prospects.
- Promote personal and academic growth.

2. Eligibility

- **Undergraduate students** (2nd year and above), **postgraduate students, PhD candidates**.
- Citizens of Erasmus+ countries or enrolled in a regular study program at the University of Ioannina.
- Students must contact the **Departmental Erasmus Coordinator** and check the program details online.

3. Eligible Countries

- **27 EU member states**
- Other countries: United Kingdom, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Serbia, Turkey, North Macedonia
- Overseas countries and territories as defined by EU regulations.

4. Duration of Stay

- **3–12 months** for studies.
- Undergraduate students attending courses abroad: **at least one academic semester**.
- Maximum **12 months per study cycle**, including previous Erasmus/LLP mobility.

5. Financial Support

- Monthly Erasmus+ scholarship: **€420–520** depending on the host country.
- Payment in **two installments**: 80% before departure, 20% after successful completion.
- Scholarships cover partial costs: travel, insurance, and higher living expenses, but not all costs.
- No tuition fees at the host institution; minor additional costs may apply (insurance, student card, lab usage, etc.).

6. Application Procedure

- Submit application during the **Call for Expression of Interest**.
- Required documents: **CV, motivation letter**, possibly a **verbal interview**.
- Selection criteria: academic performance, language proficiency, relevance of mobility to studies and future plans.

7. Special Categories

- **Zero Grant Students:** participate without financial support but enjoy full Erasmus+ rights.
- **Students with special educational needs:** eligible for additional funding.
- **Socially vulnerable students:** may receive an extra **€100/month**.

8. Recognition of Studies

- Full recognition by the home department via a **Learning Agreement**.
- Students must carefully choose courses matching their home curriculum (≈30 ECTS per semester).
- Course modifications during mobility allowed only in exceptional cases with approval.

9. Language Support

- **Online Linguistic Support (OLS)** provided by Erasmus+ for the host language.
- Mandatory for selected students before and during mobility.

10. Additional Obligations and Guidelines

- Inform **Student Residences** if absent for more than 30 days; temporary relocation may be required.
- Be cautious when renting accommodation abroad; prefer verified platforms.
- Create an official email for Erasmus communication (e.g., name@provider.com or username@uoi.gr).
- Do not include foreign language courses in the Learning Agreement.
- Students are responsible for checking **host university deadlines, registration, and accommodation**.

11. Selection Criteria Highlights

- Academic activity and performance.
- Motivation letter and CV.
- Language proficiency (minimum B2 for English, French, German; higher for some departments).
- Priority given to students in regular study years, final-year students for internships, and students likely to benefit most from mobility.

Additional Clarifications / Notes

1. Candidates must create (if they do not already have one) an email account in the following format: FirstNameLastName@provider.com or .gr (the name must be written using Latin characters). If necessary, a dot (.) may be used between the first and last name. The provider can be any internet provider (e.g., Gmail, Hotmail, etc.). Alternatively, students are informed that an official email account of the form “username@uoi.gr” has been activated, where the username is their student ID and the password is the one they use for the student registry

system (Cronos). All communication with the Directorate of International and Public Relations will be conducted electronically, exclusively through these email addresses.

2. Students should not include or list foreign language courses in their Learning Agreement for Studies.
3. Students are encouraged to carefully review the websites of the host universities regarding the Erasmus+ program. They must personally investigate the requirements for online registration (online application) as well as the relevant deadlines. Research on accommodation options at the host university is the exclusive responsibility of the students, who must carefully consult the Erasmus+ program information on the host university's website and take all necessary actions according to the suggested timelines.
4. In the event of a cancellation of participation due to force majeure by the student, after being selected for mobility, the student is entitled to submit a new application for mobility during the next call issued by the Directorate of International and Public Relations, but with a lower priority for selection. However, the student is obliged to notify the host university in writing (via email) and in a timely manner about their inability to travel, in the case of studies, with simultaneous notification to the Directorate of International and Public Relations (erasmus@uoi.gr).
5. Students selected for participation in an Erasmus+ mobility activity who reside in university dormitories are informed that, according to the Internal Regulations for the Operation of Student Residences at the University of Ioannina (Government Gazette, Issue B' 4917/04.08.2023), paragraph 26 of Article 8, the following apply:
 - Residents of the dormitories who are absent for more than thirty (30) days must notify the relevant Department of the Student Welfare Directorate within the first week of their absence.
 - Students who are participating in exchange programs lasting more than one academic semester are required to vacate their room so that the dormitory can accommodate other students with urgent housing needs during this period.

For information regarding the Erasmus Student Network (ESN Ioannina) (see <https://piro.uoi.gr/erasmus/27/erasmus-student-network-epikoinonia-me-erasmus-student-network-parartima-ioanninon>), students can contact the email address esn.ioannina@yahoo.gr.

Students are advised to exercise particular caution when renting accommodation, as there have been cases of fraud in the past. It is recommended to use verified websites, to double-check all information provided, and to respond personally to advertisements rather than accept unsolicited offers. They should also be cautious if the provided bank account is located in a different country from their host university.

For assistance in preparing a CV and cover letter, interested students may contact the Career Office of DASTA at the University of Ioannina (Tel: 26510-08454, Email: career@uoi.gr).