Classical Syriac

You do not need a background in languages, classics, or archaeology to study Syriac, which is also offered as a Breadth subject.

Ancient Near Eastern Language: SYRIAC
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Syriac is both an ancient and living language. It is one of the main and enduring dialects of Aramaic, which spans 3000 years of history and literature and includes foundational texts for the Ancient Near East.
Ancient Near Eastern Language: Syriac

This 3-week summer course aims to equip students with all the skills necessary to read ancient texts in their original Syriac. During the course students will engage with some of Syriac’s most poetic and significant texts, including narratives from the Peshitta Gospels and the poetry of Ephrem.

• **Discover** the beauty and significance of ancient texts in their original language.

• **Immerse** yourself in the grammar, syntax, lexicography and poetics of ancient Syriac.

• **Attain** skills sufficient to begin and continue reading literary texts written at the zenith of a language’s influence on its literature, rhetoric, culture and wider world.

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**How to Enrol:**
Current Students
Enrol through the Student Portal.

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This subject will be taught intensively over 3 weeks. Monday to Thursday 8.45am -12.45pm.
Teaching will commence on Mon 13th January 2014.

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