

## ***The A2 Online Greek Course***

### ***Why should I enroll in the A2 Online Greek Course?***

1. The OGC is an easy and attractive way to learn Greek, through multi-media learning material (videos, sound recordings, quizzes, interactive graphics), posts at the forum, linguistic games and challenges.
2. There is support by a tutor throughout the course. Autonomous learning does not mean learning without help.
3. Most online language learning programs mainly aim at the comprehension of a foreign language. The OGC stands out, because it equally develops the learner's productive skills: both speaking and writing.
4. It will be much easier to adjust the language course to your daily routine, since you will be studying at home. The language course, however, has deadlines. There are fixed appointments for web-conferences twice a week.
5. The OGC is aimed to facilitate language learning by overcoming obstacles, such as limited time or distance.
6. You will acquire basic communicative skills within 6 weeks.

### ***What are the main features of the A2 OGC?***

7. It is designed for false beginners. The participants are expected to know the Greek alphabet and be able to introduce themselves and to ask and answer questions about personal details.
8. It covers the A2 level, according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. The CEFR defines six levels: A1 + A2, B1 + B2, C1 + C2. ([http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/source/framework\\_en.pdf](http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/source/framework_en.pdf)). For the syllabus of A2 OGC, see [http://smg.web.auth.gr/wordpress/?page\\_id=570](http://smg.web.auth.gr/wordpress/?page_id=570) (level A2).
9. The A2 OGC consists of ten (10) units. Every unit includes:
  - a. the communicative context and the relevant vocabulary with quizzes
  - b. the grammar with exercises and quizzes
  - c. a small preparatory task for the web-conference with your tutor and fellow students
  - d. a small writing task or language game at the forum
10. You acquire a score for each unit. Assessment is based on: a) a progress test and a final test. b) the scores of the units, c) assessment of speaking and writing by your tutor.

### **Which are the technical requirements for the OGC?**

The minimum technical specifications needed to attend OGC are listed below.

<b>MINIMUM HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS</b>		
<b>Operation Systems</b>	<b>Hardware</b>	<b>Software</b>
Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7 or 8, Macintosh OSX	1GB of RAM 1 GB of free disc space Camera, Headset with microphone	Adobe Acrobat Reader Adobe Flash Player Microsoft Word Microsoft PowerPoint
<b>Browsers</b>	<b>Internet Connections</b>	<b>E-Mail</b>
Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Safari	Broadband (24Mbps is recommended)	Your mail account

### **SCHEDULE A2 Online Greek Course**

The A2 OGC lasts 6 weeks. You will work on your own on two units per week. After each unit you will have an online session with your tutor and fellow students (web conference).

The first three days are Taster Days. You will have the time to get familiar with the online course environment, to work on a taster lesson and have a trial online session with your tutor and fellow students.

Mo 16 Ja	Tue 17 Ja	We 18 Ja	Thu 19 Ja	Fr 20 Ja
<b>Week 1</b> Accessing the platform	Taster lesson Post at the forum	Taster online session Confirmation	Level A1 Revision	
Mo 23 Ja	Tue 24 Ja	We 25 Ja	Thu 26 Ja	Fr 27 Ja
<b>Week 2</b> Units 1 & 2, Online sessions 1 & 2				
Mo 30 Ja	Tue 31 Ja	We 1 Fe	Thu 2 Fe	Fri 3 Fe
<b>Week 3</b> Units 3 & 4, Online sessions 3 & 4				
Mo 6 Fe	Tue 7 Fe	We 8 Fe	Thu 9 Fe	Fri 10 Fe
<b>Week 4</b> Progress test (=Unit 5) & Online session 5			Unit 6 & Online session 6	
Mo 13 Fe	Tue 14 Fe	We 15 Fe	Thu 16 Fe	Fri 17 Fe
<b>Week 5</b> Units 7 & 8, Online sessions 7 & 8				
Mo 20 Fe	Tue 21 Fe	We 22 Fe	Thu 23 Fe	Fri 24 Fe
<b>Week 6</b> Unit 9 & Online session 9			Final Test (=Unit 10)	

### **Which are my obligations?**

1. Every unit requires four hours of self-study. It is obligatory to work on each Unit and acquire a score for it.

2. The interactive online session lasts 45'. In small groups, you and your fellow students will have the opportunity to speak, ask questions and discuss the unit you have already worked on.
3. The participation in the interactive sessions is obligatory. **A maximum of two (2) absences may be permitted.**
4. There is a progress test after the first four (4) units and a final test after the completion of the course. It is obligatory to take part in both tests.

### ***Registration procedure***

**1<sup>st</sup> step:** Fill in the online application and upload the required documents:

- certificate of studies
- copy of passport
- bank receipt for the course fee (250 €)

**2<sup>nd</sup> step:** Receive our acceptance e-mail

**3<sup>rd</sup> step:** Three Taster Days to familiarize with the online course

**4<sup>th</sup> step:** Lessons start!

Learning Greek online is a great experience!  
We are looking forward to working with you!

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### ***Further information and links***

What follows is a list of useful links providing information on Thessaloniki, Athens, travelling in Greece and the culture and history of Greece.

#### ***Info about Thessaloniki***

[www.use-it-thessaloniki.gr/](http://www.use-it-thessaloniki.gr/)

[www.ipolistonkosmo.gr](http://www.ipolistonkosmo.gr)

[www.cityportal.gr](http://www.cityportal.gr)

#### ***Photos & videos of Thessaloniki***

<http://www.thessalonikiartsandculture.gr/thessaloniki/fotografia-365/thessaloniki-365photos-2013>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bimoor9u6U>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sh0z3Esygzg&feature=youtu.be>

#### ***Info & images about Greece***

<http://www.airpano.ru/files/Athens-Greece/2-2>

[http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/culture/museums/the\\_5\\_most\\_popular\\_museums](http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/culture/museums/the_5_most_popular_museums)

[http://odysseus.culture.gr/h/1/eh151.jsp?obj\\_id=3249](http://odysseus.culture.gr/h/1/eh151.jsp?obj_id=3249)

<http://www.ancient-greece.org/museum.html>