Intensive summer course in Modern Greek Language for the National Union of Greek–Australian Students 2-10/7/2016

About the course

The aim of the course is to help all participants get acquainted with the Greek culture, history and everyday life in Greece and to improve their communication skills with Greek native speakers. Australian students will have the opportunity to retrieve basic elements of their heritage and tradition. The course offers Greek language classes (12 academic hours), cultural activities, educational trips (2 one-day trips) and workshops.

Number of participants: 20-45. A minimum number of 20 participants is required for the materialization of the course. The number of students per class will range between 10 and 15. Application deadline: 15/3/2016

Language component

-Language instruction

The language classes aim to help learners improve their proficiency in all language components and skills.

Language classes will be held in the classrooms of the School of Modern Greek Language (old building of Philosophy Faculty) from Monday to Friday.

Cultural component

During the course you will have the opportunity to take part in various cultural activities and workshops

-Guided tours

City tour

-Field Trips

One-day trip to the Museum of Royal Tombs of Vergina (http://www.aigai.gr)

One-day trip to Halkidiki (www.visit-halkidiki.gr/)



<u>Please note that the School reserves the right to replace activities in the event of unforeseen circumstances (e.g. weather conditions).</u>

Attendance / Credits

Attendance of language classes is compulsory.

A Certificate of Attendance (in Greek) and a Transcript of Records (in English) will be given to those students who have attended at least 80% of the total number of hours of instruction and participated successfully in the final exam. Students will receive 2 credits.

Cost

750€/student (including: language classes, participation in field trips, cultural activities/ workshops and guided tours)

Social Program

A welcome reception / orientation will be provided the first day of the course, while a farewell reception / certificate award ceremony will be organized at the end of the course.

Networking

A range of networking opportunities will become available to you during the course as you will be interacting with teachers, Greek students, student organizations and people met during excursions and field trips.

Personal Considerations

Visa / entrance stamp

Participants who have completed their registration will be provided with an acceptance letter to submit to the Greek Diplomatic Authorities in order to apply for a visa (in case this is needed). In any case make sure that your passport is stamped during your entrance in Europe.

Insurance

Participants are advised to have comprehensive travel and medical insurance for the duration of the course, covering expenses that may arise in connection with injury or illness (including any pre-existing condition), emergency repatriation costs, personal liability, loss or damage to personal effects, cancellation, and additional expenses incurred that relate to any of the above risks.

Arrival and Departure

Thessaloniki as most modern cities today may be reached by plane, train or bus.

By plane

The easiest way to get to Thessaloniki is by a direct fly to the city's airport called "Makedonia International Airport" (www.thessalonikiairport.com) serving both international and domestic flights. Public transportation buses working on 24/7 basis transfer travellers to the city centre.

By train

The National Railway Company is called 'OSE" (www.ose.gr). Thessaloniki's Railway Station is centrally located (28, Monastiriou Street) and is conveniently connected with the rest of the city via public transportation.

By bus

The national Bus Company is called "KTEL". Thessaloniki is connected by bus with the majority of Greek cities (www.ktelmacedonia.gr/).

Accommodation and meals

Accommodation (in two-bed rooms) and meals (breakfast & one meal/day) are included in the cost of participation.

Cost of living in Thessaloniki

The following list includes the average prices of some basic goods and services that determine the cost of living:

Item	Price in Euro
Bus-ticket (bought from kiosks)	1,00€
Bus-ticket (bought in bus)	1,10 €
Bottle of water (0,5 lt)	0,50€
Bottle of water (1,5 lt)	1,00€
Milk (1 lt)	1,00 − 2,00 €
Refreshments	1,00 − 2,00 €
Coffee (at a cafeteria)	3,00 − 5,00 €
Beer (at a bar)	4,00 − 8,00 €
Cinema ticket	7,00 – 10,00 €
Concert ticket	20,00€

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About the School of Modern Greek Language

The School of Modern Greek Language was founded at the Aristotle University in 1970 and has been operating ever since under the supervision of the Faculty of Philosophy.

The School offers courses in the Greek language and culture to foreign students and also to students of Greek origin, who intend to study in Greek Educational Institutions, or wish, through the Greek language, to



familiarize themselves with Greece and its culture (ancient, byzantine and modern). Every year, a number of language courses, relevant to the various needs of the students, are offered.

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About Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki is a State University and the largest University in Greece. The University Campus covers some 23 hectares close to the centre of Thessaloniki.

It comprises 11 Faculties organized into 41 Schools. More than 73.000 undergraduate and postgraduate students study at Aristotle University, 65.000 in undergraduate programs and 8.000 in postgraduate programs.



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About Thessaloniki

Thessaloniki is the second largest city of Greece with approximately 1,5 million inhabitants and the capital of Macedonia, the largest region of Greece. Founded in 315 B.C. by King Kassander and named after his wife, who was Alexander the Great's half-sister, the city is today a major

economic, political and cultural centre of Greece. Thessaloniki attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors every year since it is famous for its ancient Greek and Byzantine monuments, its commercial port, its Universities, the International Trade Fair held annually in September and the International Film Festival. Thessaloniki is also known for its hospitable people, tasteful cuisine and social life. Due to its unique location, Thessaloniki has always been of strategic importance throughout its long history and a meeting point of different people, languages and cultures of the East and the West. More information about Thessaloniki can be found at the following websites: www.thessalonikicity.gr, www.gnto.gr.