

CAPOD Funding Report

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Event /Course Title	London Summer School in Classics 2018
Date of event	10-19 July 2018

1. Brief description of Event (50-100 words):

We had eight full days of intensive learning at King's College London. The lessons covered ancient Greek (a language outside the Romance and Germanic language families) and entailed introductions to the alphabet, grammar and syntax, word morphology, semantics and etymology. The groups were small (we were seven persons on one teacher) and the atmosphere was both relaxed and inspiring; there was a lot of room for questions and discussion.

2. What were the benefits of attending and what did you gain from the experience in terms of transferable skills and knowledge.

There was a wider focus on the relationships between ancient Greek and other ancient and modern languages (such as, Hebrew, Latin, French, English, Dutch, etc.). The course taught me not only how Greek is different, but also how it is similar and embedded in a wider system of Indo-European languages. One of the main benefits is that I unlearned to presume dissimilarity between languages which might appear as entirely different on first sight.

3. What actions will you be taking as a result of attending or by making new networking contacts.

On a shorter timescale, I will open myself to a wider array of historical sources, which will both deepen my PhD research and improve my employability after my PhD. More generally, I feel encouraged to see through the apparent dissimilarities between our and other non-Western languages (such as Hebrew, Arabic, Hindi, etc.).

4. Can you share any additional resources produced in connection with the event (e.g. feedback from participants, training resources, website links, and additional materials.

We used the book "Reading Greek" (http://www.worldcat.org/title/reading-greek/oclc/480003959&referer=brief_results) and covered about one third of the book.

5. Tips/experience learned from the event

Things that look very different from a cursory look can be more similar to things you already know than you expect.

6. Any additional comments or information regarding the event

The support of CAPOD is highly appreciated, many thanks!

