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| Department  | Department of archaeology |
| Description of the courses offered in a foreign language in the academic year 2022/2023 |
| Name of the course | Mediterranean ships and seafaring through the ages |
| Name of the teacher | Assoc. Prof. Dr. Irena Radić Rossi  |
| Number of ECTS credits | 4 | Semester | ■autumn/winter | □ spring/summer |
| Teaching will be organized as  | Lectures | ■ yes □ no | Consultations | ■ yes □ no |
| The courses will be organized as | Lectures | Seminars | Exercises |
| ■ yes □ no | ■ yes □ no | □ yes □ no |
| Description of the course | The course deals with the appearance and evolution of ships in the ancient Mediterranean. From the earliest iconographic evidence, to the sophisticated vessels of the post-mediaeval period, it provides an overview of the ships that were used through ages in the complex Mediterranean environment. The special attention is paid to the evolution of the ancient Greek, Hellenistic and Roman merchantmen and warships, in the form of galleys and sailing ships. The examples of the Athenian trireme, the gigantic ships of the Late Hellenistic Age, or the Roman *liburna* and Byzantine *dromon* give us the idea of the present state of research on the specific ships’ types for which we still lack the archaeological evidence. On the other hand, a number of researched shipwrecks from Greek and Roman period helped us to increase our knowledge on the ancient merchant fleets. The infrastructure needed for the efficient seafaring includes various types of ports, what makes them an inevitable part of the study of ancient seamanship. |
| Learning outcomes of the course | Students will:- acquire general knowledge on Mediterranean ships and seafaring through ages;- be able to recognize merchant and military ships from various periods;- know the main seafaring routes in the Mediterranean through ages;- recognize the importance of study of ports and anchorages, as the  essential logistics for the safe navigation and maritime trade;- be able to compare various ships’ types in relation to various functions and various landscapes in which they were operating;- recognize the importance of various sources (archaeological, historical, and iconographic) for the study of the ancient ships. |
| The course is offered to | Incoming students who choose the above department as a home department  | ■ yes □ no |
| All the incoming students | ■ yes □ no |
| Students of the University of Zadar enrolled at the above department as an elective course | ■ yes □ no |
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