POSTGRADUATE TRAINING COURSE
LINEAR B AND MYCENAEAN GREEK EPIGRAPHY

This intensive two-week course, based on site-visits, lectures, seminars and practical classes, **introduces students to the Linear B script used in the Late Bronze Age Aegean** and to its value in enriching our interpretation of this period largely known through archaeology. It focuses on developing basic skills in writing and reading Linear B documents, exploring the workings of the administrative system that the script supported, and on the insights into economy, society and material production that data on the documents can offer in combination with archaeological data.

This course includes visits to the **Mycenaean Palaces of Mycenae and Tiryns**, as well as the **Thebes Museum** and the sites of **Orchomenos and Gla**, plus a class in the **National Museum's Prehistoric collection**. It aims to give students a first-hand appreciation of the materiality of documents written in a syllabic script on clay and give students an appreciation of the role Linear B has played in the history of interpretation of the Late Bronze Age Aegean.

By the end of this module students will have the ability **to read with ease documents written in the Linear B script**, an understanding of the practicalities of writing on clay and the ability critically to contextualise the information offered by Linear B documents within a wider understanding of the social and material worlds of the Late Bronze Age Aegean.

The course fee of **€750** includes accommodation in shared rooms at the BSA, where self-catering facilities are available, as well as 24-hour access to the superb **library, entry to all sites and museums, and BSA membership for one month**. The course is limited to **10 places**, and open to students of any university pursuing postgraduate study at doctoral, Masters or Diploma level. Upon completion of the course, participants will receive free one year's BSA supporter membership at Student Friend level

This course will be taught by Prof. John Bennet.

Next course dates: 4th - 17th July 2021.
Application deadline: 30th April 2021.
A provisional course itinerary, further information, and an application form
can be found on the BSA web site (www.bsa.ac.uk).