



BRITISH SCHOOL AT ATHENS

ΒΡΕΤΑΝΙΚΗ ΣΧΟΛΗ ΑΘΗΝΩΝ

The Ancient City of Athens

15 – 21 June 2026

ITINERARY

Sundar 15 June

20.00 Meet and greet

Monday 16 June

09.00 Course introduction and tour of the BSA & Library
10.30 Coffee break
11.00 Introductory lectures 1
The history of archaeology and the archaeology of history in Greece
Understanding archaeological and historical evidence
13.00 Buffet lunch (provided)
14.00 Group Seminars
BSA Archive collections
Archaeological Science
Museums and heritage
16.00 Depart for Mt Lykavettos (walking)
The ancient and modern topography of Athens
19.00 Group dinner (provided)

Tuesday 17 June

09.00 Depart for the Athenian Agora
09.30 Athenian Agora
Multi-temporality and the long history of an excavation
Politics and administration in Classical Athens
Democracy in Classical Athens
Agora Museum
13.00 Lunch (own lunch)
14.00 Kerameikos
Death and burial through time
Visit Pnyx
Identifying archaeological phases
17.00 Finish

Wednesday 18 June

09.00 Depart for the Acropolis
10.00 Acropolis
The (Great) Panathenaia I
The Archaic Acropolis, and 'hidden' phases of an archaeological site
Interior of the Parthenon: the Parthenon Restoration Project
11.00 The slopes of the Acropolis
Community in Classical Athens: sanctuaries and theatres
12.30 Lunch (own lunch)
14.30 The Acropolis Museum
Multi-temporality on the Acropolis Slopes
Sculpture: Archaic korai
Community and symbolism: The Great Panathenaia II
17.30 Finish

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Thursday 19 June

08.00	Depart for Eleusis (coach)
09.00	Eleusis <i>'Decoding' the Eleusinian Mysteries with literature, history, and archaeology</i> <i>Reception and rebuilding of Classical cult in the Roman period</i>
10.30	Depart for Daphni monastery
11.00	Daphni monastery
13.00	Lunch (provided)
13.30	National Archaeological Museum <i>Prehistoric gallery: funerary assemblages and their curation</i> <i>Pottery gallery: ceramic typologies and chronologies</i> <i>Sculpture gallery: self-representation and funerary monuments</i>
17.00	Finish

Friday 20 June

08.00	The transformation of Athens in the Roman, and Byzantine periods
08.00	<i>Roman Agora</i>
09.00	<i>Library of Hadrian</i> <i>Spolia: the Little Metropolis</i> <i>Arch of Hadrian</i>
11.00	<i>Temple of Olympian Zeus</i>
12.30	<i>The Panathenaic Stadium</i>
13.00	Lunch (own lunch)
13.30	Depart for Piraeus <i>The archaeological Museum of Piraeus</i>
17.00	Finish

Saturday 21 June

08.00	Depart for Marathon (coach)
09.00	Site & Museum
10.30	Depart for Brauron <i>Myths & history</i> <i>Female competitions</i> <i>Museum of Brauron</i>
12.00	Lunch (provided)
12.30	Depart for Thorikos & Lavrion <i>Town-planning and urban spaces</i> <i>Mines & economy</i>
15.30	Depart for Sounion <i>The role of maritime sanctuaries in the Archaic and Classical periods</i> <i>Key theme: trade and connection</i>
18.00	Depart from Sounion

Sunday 22 June

Departure from Athens

All breakfasts are included within the course programme.

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