

**Course No. History 103:
History of Ancient Civilizations
3 Credit Hours**

Course Content:

- **Origin of Human Civilization**
- **Pre-Historic Civilization: Mehrgarh and Bhambhore**
- **Indus Valley Civilization**
 - An introduction to Indus Valley Civilization. The Emergence, Decline and Disappearance of Indus Valley Civilization
 - Archaeological excavations of Mohen Jo Daro, and Harappa. Architectural developments of the historical sites. Seals and artefacts recovered from Mohen Jo Daro and Harappa. Social and religious life of the ancient people of the Indus Valley Civilization.
 - Evolution of Dravidian, Aryan and Hindu societies in the Indian subcontinent
- **Mesopotamian Civilization**
 - An introduction to Mesopotamian Civilization. The land of Mesopotamia (Modern Iraq). Uruk: The world's first city. Cuneiform Writing and recording. Sumerian religion. Kings and city-states. Death and burial. Sumerians' neighbors. The world's first empire. The Sumerian revival. The legacy of Sumer.
- **Egyptian Civilization**
 - An introduction to Egyptian Civilization. Writing and numerals, including the invention of papyrus. Architecture of pyramids, tombs, and temples. Astronomy. Women's roles. Medicine
 - **Ancient Chinese Civilization**
 - An introduction to Ancient China. Historical Setting. The Ancient Dynasties. The Zhou Period. The Hundred Schools of Thought. The Imperial Era: The First Imperial Period. Han Diversity and Unity.
 - The Shang and Zhou societies in China and describe the subsequent rise of the Qin and Han Dynasties
- **Hellenic Civilization (Ancient Greece)**
 - An introduction to Ancient Greece; a basic historical narrative with discussion of Hellenic period.
 - Political, social, economic, religious, and cultural developments in shaping of early Greece, from the second millennium BCE to the late 6th/early 5th century BCE.
 - A study of the religious cults and forms of worship current in the ancient Greek world.
- **Roman Civilization**
 - An introduction to Roman Civilization; a basic historical narrative with discussion of a selection of issues
 - Characteristics and Contribution of Roman Civilization