**Ancient Mesopotamia: Languages, History and Culture**

**Blended Intensive Programme**

**“Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University, Iași, Romania**

What is it about?

At some point near the middle of the fourth millennium BC writing was invented in Mesopotamia. For approximately 3.500 years cuneiform script was in use. Thanks to the abundance of written evidence (for some periods and some places) ancient Mesopotamia allows us to investigate the history and culture of ancient Mesopotamia closely. Thanks to the efforts of generations of scholars, many texts are now available in good editions and translations. However, to work with these translations a certain level of historical and cultural background-knowledge and language competence is necessary. The BIP aims to provide the student of history with exactly these basic competencies. After the course, the participants will have a basic idea of Sumerian and Akkadian, be acquainted with Mesopotamian history and culture(s), and know how to use some important digital tools, like online dictionaries and text editions.

Where?

"Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi, Romania

When?

5-10.05.2025

Who should attend?

The program is designed for students (Bachelor, Master, or PhD) who are studying history, archaeology or related fields.

Learning outcomes

* **increased digital competences and media literacy (in particular critical thinking and the ability to assess and work with information)**
* **increased capacity to work/study transnationally and across sectors;**
* **increased mobility among students and staff members**

Benefits

3 ECTS Credits

**Language used**

English language

The event also includes coffee breaks and social activities organized by the program coordinators, providing opportunities for networking and informal discussions.

Participating students can access affordable accommodation and meals on the university campus, conveniently located near the event venue.