MODERN GREEK STUDIES  
(MGS)

MGS 150 Modern Greek I (Units: 4)
Modern (demotic) Greek for beginners emphasizing oral expression, 
listening comprehension, reading and writing. Grammar introduced in 
context of readings.

Course Attributes:
• C2: Humanities
• Global Perspectives

MGS 151 Modern Greek II (Units: 4)
Prerequisite: MGS 150 or equivalent.
Continuation of first semester Modern Greek.

Course Attributes:
• Global Perspectives

MGS 350 Greece and the Balkans (Units: 3)
Prerequisite: GE Area E.
History of Greece and the Balkans from the Fall of Constantinople to the 
present.
(This course is offered as MGS 350 and HIST 350. Students may not 
repeat the course under an alternate prefix.)

MGS 497 Modern Greek Literature (Units: 3)
Introduction to Greece's major modernist and postmodernist writers. 
Exploration of experimental writing techniques using 20th Century 
literature.
(This course is offered as MGS 497 and CW 497. Students may not 
repeat the course under an alternate prefix.)

MGS 510 The Byzantine Empire (Units: 3)
Prerequisite: GE Area E.
The political, social, economic, and cultural history of the Byzantine 
Empire from 7th to 15th centuries A.D. and the relations of Byzantium 
with its Germanic, Slavic, Arabic, and Turkic speaking neighbors. 
(This course is offered as MGS 510, CLAS 510, HIST 326. Students may 
not repeat the course under an alternate prefix.)

MGS 699 Independent Study (Units: 1-4)
Prerequisite: Upper-division standing or permission of the instructor.
Supervised intensive, individual work, largely of a research nature, in 
Modern Greek Studies, e.g., language, literature, folklore and/or culture. 
Culminates in a paper. May be repeated for a total of 8 units.