

IATL ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP IL1310

DEBATING DEMOCRACY AND IMPERIALISM IN CLASSICAL ATHENS

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I am pleased to report that this Academic Fellowship is on budget (indeed will come in under budget) and on schedule to finish at the end of the 2013-4 academic year.

So far, the Democracy and Imperialism module on which this fellowship is based has achieved the following:

- The creation of an on-line Warwick forum specifically designed to allow staff to see who has/has not contributed; all contributions by specific staff members to be collated into one view; students sign in IDs to be changed into Candidate numbers for anonymity.
- The use of this Forum on a regular basis for weekly discussion topics, which form the basis of the beginning of the next class.
- The use of this Forum on a regular basis for students presentations in class
- The use of this Forum for the dissemination of thought-boards created during seminars
- A visit to the British Museum where all students gave presentations, as well as had a Q&A with Greek and Roman Curator
- 2 sets of seminar in the Teaching Grid using smart boards and panaboard.
- A seminar lead by Prof Paul Cartledge (invited lecturer), for which students prepared their own topics for discussion and debate

The ideas behind the Academic Fellowship and the results seems in the classroom have also been discussed at the Faculty of Arts Teaching and Learning Showcase.

To view the forum (requires Warwick log-in):

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/classics/students/modules/athens/forum2013/>

In the rest of this year, we will have another seminar visit from Prof Robin Osborne and all the live debate with students at Monash University on issues of ancient democracy and experience.