

# Politics and Power in the Classical World

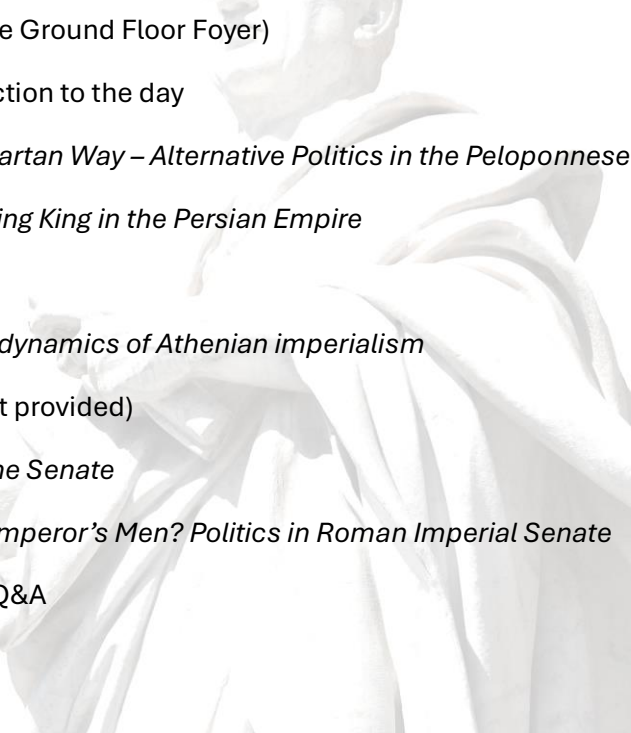
## A day conference for Classics Sixth Formers at the University of Manchester, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025

How was the ancient world ruled? What were the realities of power and who was really in charge? and how did politics change and evolve over time? These are some of the questions that we shall be dealing with in a day conference which focusses on key topics covered by OCR Classical Civilisation and Ancient History A levels.

### Venue:

The conference will be held in Room 1.218 at University Place (building 37 on the [campus map](#)) on the University Campus, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL.

### Programme:



9:45 – 10:15	Arrival (University Place Ground Floor Foyer)
10.15 - 10:30	Welcome and Introduction to the day
10.30 - 11:00	Dr Alberto Esu: <i>The Spartan Way – Alternative Politics in the Peloponnese</i>
11.00 - 11.30	Dr Leah Lazar: <i>Becoming King in the Persian Empire</i>
11.30 - 11.45	Break
11.45 - 12.15	Prof Peter Liddel: <i>The dynamics of Athenian imperialism</i>
12:15 – 13:00	Lunch break (lunch not provided)
13:00 - 13:30	Dr Mary Beagon: <i>Cicero and the Senate</i>
13:30 - 14:00	Dr Andy Fear: <i>All the Emperor's Men? Politics in Roman Imperial Senate</i>
14:00 - 14:15	Student ambassador Q&A
14:15- 14:25	Feedback collection
14:30- 15:00	Optional campus tour

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**How to book - teachers:** The event is free to attend. Booking is first come, first served. Teachers can book for a maximum group of 15 in the first instance – you can indicate if you would like additional places and we will let you know if these become available down the line.

- Booking form for group bookings done by a teacher: <https://gck.fm/jvztk>

**How to book - individual student:** We have also reserved some places for students whose teachers cannot lead the visit as a group trip and who would wish to attend without school/college staff accompanying them. Please direct your students to book via the link below.

- Booking form for individual students: <https://gck.fm/uiapl>

