are part of both Ancient and Modern Hellenic Practices. This is the longest section (nine lessons) but as you can see they are short ones.

- Basic information on national and local Pagan Community (1.5 hours) – This two lesson section covers exactly what it says it does.
- Hellenion as an Organization (2 hours) The final three lesson section gives an overview of the goals of Hellenion, the bylaws and the leadership of our organization.

AFTER YOU ARE DONE

Completion of this course is optional for most members. Only those who wish to apply for our Clergy Education Program (if you are interested, please see our other brochure concerning this program) must document completion of this course, to the National office, as Basic Adult Education, or its equivalent, is a prerequisite for clergy study.

People who are not intending to be clergy do not need to document completion of this course unless otherwise required by their local Demos.

Completion of Basic Adult Education is NOT a prerequisite for any Continuing Adult Education courses that Hellenion offers.

The development of this course is ongoing, in response to the needs of our members. Therefore, member feedback is essential to the success of this program. Please direct your comments to the Adult Education Director.



HELLENION'S ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

For more information, contact us at:

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HELLENION BASIC ADULT EDUCATION

A course for those who want to learn more about where we are and where we come from

- 1. Nothing Too Much
- 2. Know Thyself
- 3. Aid Friends
- 4. Control Anger
- 5. Shun Unjust Acts
- 6. Acknowledge Sacred Things
- 7. Hold on to Learning
- 8. Praise Virtue
- 9. Avoid Enemies
- 10. Cultivate Kinsmen
- 11. Pity Supplicants
- 12. Accomplish Your Limit
- 13. When You Err, Repent
- 14. Consider the Time
- 15. Worship the Divine
- 16. Accept old Age

These are just sixteen of what are known as the Delphic Maxims. Although they are good to know and good to keep in mind, here's the good news...

You won't need to memorize them to take part in Hellenion's Basic Adult Education (BAE) Program.

If you want to research them later on your own, you are welcome to.

Now that being said, the next logical question is

"What do I need to do to participate in the BAE?"

The first thing you would need to do is become a member of Hellenion and then, when the next class starts, let the Adult Education Director (or the instructor for the term) know.

How often are you holding the classes? Where are they available?

We currently are running between one and two classes each year on the Internet, depending on the number of available people to moderate the class and the number of students in each group. We like to have enough people for discussion, but not so many that the discussion gets bogged down.

This does not mean that we will not be running the classes more frequently at some later date, or that a Demos or Proto-Demos may not offer it at the local level if there is enough local interest.

Hellenion now also offers the BAE as a correspondence course for members who have either limited or no internet access. If you are interested you can contact: Hellenion BAE c/o PO BOX 1493 Sulphur, LA 70664

HELLENION BASIC ADULT EDUCATION FAQ

What does the BAE contain?

Hellenion's Basic Adult Education (BAE) curriculum is designed to provide an introduction to Hellenic Reconstructionism for our members. It covers five areas:

- 1. Hellenic History
- 2. Hellenic Mythology
- 3. Ritual
- 4. Hellenion as an organization
- 5. The modern Pagan community

How long will it take to complete?

It won't take long. The BAE is designed to be completed in about two hours a week for twelve weeks (24 hours total) assuming the course is taught in a Demos by an experienced teacher and the students have not studied any of the material previously. Solitary study could take more or less time.

Hellenion is currently offering an online version of this course, in which lessons are sent out once per week for three months. For more information, please email the Epistates (Hellenion National President) or

Hellenion Study-owner@yahoogroups.com

The estimated time for completion of each of the five sections is as follows:

- Hellenic History, Culture and Social Studies (3 hours) This three lesson section covers Hellenic History from the Minoan and Mycenaean ages until the end of the Hellenistic period begun by Alexander the Great of Macedonia. The student will be asked to do basic research on each of these periods and look at what went on at those times.
- Hellenic Mythology Overview (7.5 hours) This group of four lessons gives an overview of the major types of Mythological formats including the classic poetry of Homer, the plays of Sophocles, the writings of the philosophers (such as Plato) and a look at Hero cults and Nature Deities.
- Hellenic Ritual & Liturgy basics for individual, family and public worship (10 hours) Here you'll begin to see how a ritual is put together and see what rituals