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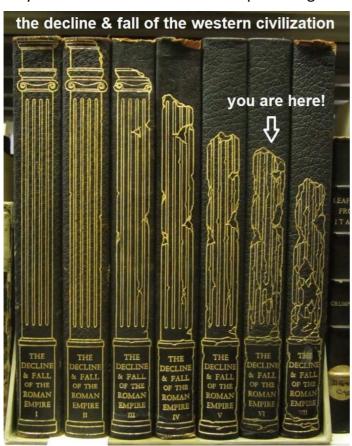
## **Neville Morley**

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## Decline and Fall? Antiquity and the Fate of Western Civilisation

Excerpts from the interview with Prof Morley as part of the UIBK series #international – Our Guest(s):

"My list of research interests is quite long and varied – ancient economic history,



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historiography, classical reception, decadence, Karl Marx, imperialism, ancient ideas about bees – because I'm constantly being attracted by new ideas or problems."

"What excites me about my current research is the opportunity to explore the continuing significance of the past for the present. Time and again, we make sense of our world by comparing and contrasting it with the past — and not just the national past, but the shared past of ancient Greece and Rome. The classical world can be an inspiration or a warning; more often than not, it is at least partly a myth or a fiction. But it is rarely an irrelevance, even in the midst of modernity."

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