

Classics Major, and Minors in Classics, Ancient Greek, Latin, and Classical Civilization

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Classics is an interdisciplinary program devoted to the study of the ancient Greek and Roman civilizations. Students may focus on the classics language track or the classical civilization track. Besides the sequences in the Greek, Latin, and Sanskrit languages, the department offers courses in Greek and Roman archaeology, art, history, linguistics, literature (including comparative literature), mythology, philosophy, and social history.

The Classics Language track requires study of texts in the original languages while the Classics Civilization track makes use of these same texts in English translations. Both classics tracks qualify graduates for appropriate careers in teaching and library work but can also be used as preparation for non-classical academic and professional disciplines such as business, law, and medicine. The study of classics underlies any understanding of Western civilization. The field includes important literary and philosophical figures such as Homer, Plato, and Vergil. It also provides a background for the study of romance and other languages and assists in the proper use of English.

Required courses for the Classics major

The Classics major requires the completion of a minimum of 30 credits in one of the following tracks distributed as follows.

Greek language track

Required courses

GREEK 0011 Beginning Ancient Greek 1
GREEK 0021 Beginning Ancient Greek 2
GREEK 0210 Intermediate Greek: Prose
GREEK 0220 Intermediate Greek: Verse
GREEK 1700 Greek Prose Composition

Two of the following

GREEK 1300 Greek Authors 1
GREEK 1302 Greek Authors 2
GREEK 1420 Greek Reading: Philosophers
GREEK 1902 Directed Study for Undergraduates

Two of the following

LATIN 0011 Beginning Latin 1
LATIN 0021 Beginning Latin 2
LATIN 0210 Intermediate Latin: Prose
LATIN 0220 Intermediate Latin: Verse

Latin language track

Required courses

LATIN 0011 Beginning Latin 1
LATIN 0021 Beginning Latin 2
LATIN 0210 Intermediate Latin: Prose
LATIN 0220 Intermediate Latin: Verse

Two of the following

LATIN 1300 Latin Authors 1
LATIN 1302 Latin Authors 2
LATIN 1400 Latin Reading: Epic
LATIN 1902 Directed Study for Undergraduates

Two of the following

GREEK 0011 Beginning Ancient Greek 1
GREEK 0021 Beginning Ancient Greek 2
GREEK 0210 Intermediate Greek: Prose
GREEK 0220 Intermediate Greek: Verse

Classical civilization track

Required courses

CLASS 0010 Greek Civilization
CLASS 0020 Roman Civilization

Two of the following

GREEK 0011 Beginning Ancient Greek 1
GREEK 0021 Beginning Ancient Greek 2
GREEK 0210 Intermediate Greek: Prose
GREEK 0220 Intermediate Greek: Verse
LATIN 0011 Beginning Latin 1
LATIN 0021 Beginning Latin 2
LATIN 0210 Intermediate Latin: Prose
LATIN 0220 Intermediate Latin: Verse

Area of concentration: Students are required to complete three CLASS courses in an area of concentration chosen in consultation with the major advisor.

Elective courses: Students are required to complete three elective courses, one in each of three areas chosen from among the following: Ancient Archeology, Art, Culture, History, Language, Literature, Philosophy, and Science.

Grade requirements: A minimum GPA of 2.0 in courses that count toward the major is required for graduation.

Satisfactory/No Credit option: Language track: two courses that count toward the major can be taken on an S/NC basis. Civilization track: two courses that count toward the major can be taken on an S/NC basis.

Writing (W) requirement: Students must complete at least one W-course in the major.

Related area: A minimum of 12 credits is required in any one Arts and Sciences department chosen in consultation with the major advisor. The completion of an official Arts and Sciences minor or an Arts and Sciences or UCIS certificate also satisfies this requirement.

Honors major requirements: To earn an honors major in Classics, a student must fulfill all requirements for the major, and:

1. attain a GPA of 3.50 or above in departmental courses by the end of their junior year; and
2. write an honors essay in conjunction with a senior level course deemed acceptable by the department.

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Checklist for the Classics major

Greek language track

Required courses	Two of the following
____ GREEK 0011	____ GREEK 1300
____ GREEK 0021	____ GREEK 1302
____ GREEK 0210	____ GREEK 1420
____ GREEK 0220	____ GREEK 1902
____ GREEK 1700	

Two of the following

____ LATIN 0011
____ LATIN 0021
____ LATIN 0210
____ LATIN 0220

Latin language track

Required courses	Two of the following
____ LATIN 0011	____ LATIN 1300
____ LATIN 0021	____ LATIN 1302
____ LATIN 0210	____ LATIN 1400
____ LATIN 0220	____ LATIN 1902

Two of the following

____ GREEK 0011
____ GREEK 0021
____ GREEK 0210
____ GREEK 0220

Classical civilization track

Required courses

____ CLASS 0010
____ CLASS 0020

Two of the following

____ GREEK 0011
____ GREEK 0021
____ GREEK 0210
____ GREEK 0220
____ LATIN 0011
____ LATIN 0021
____ LATIN 0210
____ LATIN 0220

Area of concentration – as specified on front of sheet

____ CLASS _____
____ CLASS _____
____ CLASS _____

Elective courses – as specified on front of sheet

____ CLASS _____ (area 1: _____)
____ CLASS _____ (area 2: _____)
____ CLASS _____ (area 3: _____)

Checklist for the Ancient Greek minor

____ GREEK 0011
____ GREEK 0021
____ GREEK 0210
____ GREEK 0220

Checklist for the Latin minor

____ LATIN 0011
____ LATIN 0021
____ LATIN 0210
____ LATIN 0220

Checklist for the Classical Civilization minor

____ CLASS 0010 **or** CLASS 1210 **or** HIST 1783
____ CLASS 0020 **or** CLASS 1220 **or** HIST 1781
____ (GREEK/LATIN elective) *
____ (CLASS/GREEK/LATIN elective) *
____ (CLASS/GREEK/LATIN elective) *

Checklist for the Classics minor (Mediterranean Art and Archaeology)

____ CLASS 0600

One of the following

____ CLASS 0010
____ CLASS 0020
____ CLASS 1210
____ CLASS 1220

Two of the following

____ CLASS 0500/HAA 0150
____ CLASS 1510/HAA 1110
____ CLASS 1520/HAA 1120
____ CLASS 1524/HAA 1160
____ CLASS 1610
____ HAA 0105

One of the following

____ ANTH 0534
____ ANTH 0538
____ ANTH 0630
____ ANTH 1535
____ CLASS 0032/HIST 1746
____ CLASS 0400/HAA 0160
____ CLASS 0618/HAA 0018
____ CLASS 0650

____ CLASS 1630
____ CLASS 1650
____ CLASS 1900
____ HAA 0165
____ HAA 1140
____ RELGST 1100
____ RELGST 1160/HAA 1105
____ RELGST 1170

Note: Students must apply for any official minor they will complete or have completed when they apply for graduation.