

CLASSICAL STUDIES

Classical studies is an interdisciplinary major, with specializations in ancient language, classical civilization, and teacher certification that offer students instruction in the history, literature, and culture of the ancient Greeks and Romans. These three specializations require proficiency in Latin or ancient Greek. A fourth specialization in modern Greek offers students instruction in the language, literature, and culture of modern Greece and requires proficiency in modern Greek.

About this Program

- **College:** Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Degree:** Bachelor of Arts
- **Credits for Degree:** 120
- **Specializations:** Ancient Language | Classical Civilization | Modern Greek | Teacher Certification
- **Additional Information**
- **Related Classical Studies Programs**

To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

Students who major in classical studies often pursue graduate studies in classical languages and literature, art history, ancient history, archaeology, comparative literature, and museum studies. Additional career opportunities are possible depending upon the specialization the student chooses. Small class sizes, emphasis on critical thinking and expression, and a faculty committed to involvement in lower-level undergraduate courses also make this major appealing to students who want excellent preparation for entry to professional schools (e.g., medicine or law).

Specializations

Ancient Language

The ancient language specialization is appropriate for students wishing to have direct contact with the literature and culture of the ancients, and for those who plan to do graduate study in Greek or Latin. Students interested in admission to competitive graduate programs need a minimum of three years of upper-division courses in ancient Greek or Latin and an additional year in the remaining language.

Classical Civilization

The classical civilization specialization is appropriate for those who desire a broad humanities background or are considering admission to graduate school in archaeology, ancient history or an unrelated field such as medicine or law. Students interested in admission to competitive graduate programs in archaeology or ancient history should consult the Department of Classics' undergraduate coordinator for information on specific requirements.

Modern Greek

The modern Greek specialization is appropriate for students wishing to have direct contact with the language, literature, and culture of modern Greece and a closer acquaintance with ancient and medieval Greek civilization. Students study in greater detail the numerous communities of the diaspora, which includes the large and flourishing Greek-American communities of Florida, their history and contemporary culture. By learning a modern European language, students can work in translation,

education, services, tourism, the entertainment industry, and political or financial institutions with ties to Greece or Cyprus.

Teacher Certification

Students who want to be high-school Latin teachers should follow the teacher certification specialization. Students who pursue the Florida Teaching minor have the coursework and preparation for professional teacher certification in Florida when they graduate. Alternatively, students can consider a minor in educational studies that would be beneficial if applying to the ProTeach program. Students should consult the College of Education for more information.

Coursework for the Major

Students must complete 21-30 credits of coursework for the classical studies major; the total is dependent upon the specialization. Students must earn a minimum grade of C in a course for it to be applied to the major; no S/U courses can be applied. The Department of Classics requires that a minimum 15 credits of major-related courses be completed at the University of Florida.

All classical studies majors are also required to demonstrate proficiency in Latin, ancient Greek, or modern Greek, depending on the specialization. Credits earned in language courses are not included in the 21-30 credits of coursework for the major.

Overseas Studies

Students may participate in summer, semester, or academic year programs in Italy and Greece. Competitive scholarships for study abroad are available. Students in the modern Greek specialization are encouraged to participate in programs in Greece or Cyprus supported with competitive scholarships by the Center for Greek Studies and other organizations in the United States, Greece, and the European Union.

Placement

Refer to Placement Testing and Evaluation for information on placement into Latin.

Related Classical Studies Programs

- Classical Studies minor

Academic Learning Compact

The Bachelor of Arts in classical studies, with specializations in classical civilization, ancient language, teacher certification or modern Greek studies provides a strong foundation in the liberal arts through study of the language, literature, monuments and history of ancient Greece and Rome. Students will develop linguistic, critical thinking and writing skills while gaining knowledge of classical civilization. Students also will explore the connection between the ancient and modern worlds and discover the contributions of classical culture to western civilization.

Before Graduating Students Must

- Successfully complete a department capstone course for majors.
- Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

Content

1. Translate passages of Latin, ancient Greek or Modern Greek literature into English.

Critical Thinking

2. Recognize and explain the connection between the ancient and modern worlds and the contribution of Classical culture to Western civilization.

Communication

3. Write competently in Latin, ancient Greek, or Modern Greek using correct grammar and vocabulary of one or more of these languages. For Modern Greek, speak and comprehend competently.

Curriculum Map

I = Introduced; R = Reinforced; A = Assessed

Classical Civilization

Courses	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 3
CLA 2100, CLA 2120, CLA 3114	I	I	
CLA 3111, CLA 3151, CLA 3430, CLA 3500, CLA 3501, CLA 3791, CLA 3793, CLA 3930	R	R	R
CLA 3160, CLA 3700		I	
CLA 4173, CLA 4880		R	
CLA 4931 Capstone		A	
CLT 2044	I	I	
CLT 3102, CLA 3230, CLA 3291, CLA 3340		R	
CLT 3370, CLA 3371		I	

Greek, Ancient

Courses	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 3
GRE 1120, GRE 1121 and GRE 1130, GRE 1131	I		I
GRW 2200, GRW 2201, GRW 2250	R	I	R

GRW 3102, GRW A
3300, GRW
3303, GRW 3501,
GRW 4330,
GRW 4340,
GRW 4380,
GRW 4700,
GRW 4930

Greek, Modern

Courses	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 3
GRK 1120, GRK 1121 and GRK 1130, GRK 1131	I		I
GRK 2200, GRK 2201	R	I	R
GRK 4300	A	R	A

Latin

Courses	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 3
LAT 1120, LAT 1101, LAT 1104 and LAT 1130, LAT 1131	I		I
LNW 2321, LNW 2560, LNW 2630, LNW 2660	R	I	R
LNW 3220, LNW 3310, LNW 3320, LNW 3360, LNW 3380, LNW 3490, LNW 3644, LNW 3660, LNW 3930	A	R	A

Assessment Types

- Translations
- Group presentations
- Research papers