Honors

Honors in the Major

Students have the opportunity to graduate with honors in the major. Honors students must maintain a g.p.a. of at least 3.50 in their first three years of classics courses. Additionally, a UI cumulative g.p.a. of at least 3.33 at the time of graduation is required by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Students also must complete two consecutive courses in honors reading, earning 3 s.h. of credit for each course. Honors work may be done in a student’s fourth year, or spring of the third year and fall of the fourth year. The readings and discussions must be on an ancient author or a field in ancient history or literature chosen by the student and the instructor. At the end of the second semester, the student presents a substantial research project, which is evaluated for honors by two members of the department. Students who write an honors thesis in classical languages must be enrolled at the same time in the appropriate advanced language courses.

University of Iowa Honors Program

In addition to honors in the major, students have opportunities for honors study and activities through membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the University’s honors program.

Membership in the UI Honors Program is not required to earn honors in the classical languages major.