

Classical Languages, BA

Requirements

The Bachelor of Arts with a major in classical languages requires a minimum of 120 s.h., including at least 30 s.h. of work for the major. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the major and in all UI courses for the major. They must also complete the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences GE CLAS Core. Transfer credit is evaluated individually.

The major trains students to read the ancient Greek and/or Latin languages and acquaints them with the major works of Greek and/or Roman literature. Classical languages students learn about the history of ancient Greece of the eighth through the fourth centuries B.C.E., where most of the modern Western notions of political, artistic, and social life are rooted. They also develop an understanding of the Roman Republic and Empire (3 B.C.E. through 5 C.E.), when Rome established its hegemony over the Mediterranean basin, laid the foundation of law for the Western world, and spread Greece's culture to the West, and of the fall of the Empire and the rise of Medieval civilization from the sixth through the ninth centuries C.E.

In addition to completing the required coursework, students maintain a required portfolio detailing their progress toward the major, which they must complete before graduation; see "Major Portfolio" below.

A maximum of 9 s.h. of coursework used to satisfy requirements for the BA in ancient civilization may be applied toward this major. A maximum of 3 s.h. of coursework used to satisfy requirements for the minor in ancient civilization may be applied toward this major. Students cannot pursue a minor in Latin or Greek while simultaneously enrolled as a classical languages major.

Students majoring only in classical languages may count a maximum of 56 s.h. earned in classics courses toward the degree. BA students who are graduating with a double major in the department (classical languages and ancient civilization) may apply more than 56 s.h. from the Department of Classics toward their degree, but they must earn at least 56 s.h. of credit in courses outside the Department of Classics in order to graduate.

The BA with a major in classical languages requires the following coursework.

Requirements	Hours
Required Courses	30
Major Portfolio	

Required Courses

Course #	Title	Hours
All of these:		
	Intermediate or advanced Greek (prefix CLSG) and/or Latin (prefix CLSL) courses numbered 2001-4999	15
	Additional classics courses at any level with the prefix CLSA, CLSG, or CLSL, and any courses cross-referenced with prefix CLSA, CLSL, or CLSG	15

The following advanced undergraduate Greek courses are offered every other year and may be repeated or taken in any sequence. They cover a broad range of prose and poetry in historical context.

Course #	Title	Hours
CLSG:3001	Archaic and Classical Periods I	3
CLSG:3002	Archaic and Classical Periods II	1-3
CLSG:3003/ RELS:3003	Classical and Hellenistic Periods I	3
CLSG:3004	Classical and Hellenistic Periods II	3

The following advanced undergraduate Latin courses are offered every other year and may be repeated or taken in any sequence. They cover a range of Latin prose and poetry in historical context from the mid-republic to the third century C.E.

Course #	Title	Hours
CLSL:3001	Latin Literature of the Republic I	3
CLSL:3002	Latin Literature of the Republic II	3
CLSL:3003	Latin Literature of the Empire I	3
CLSL:3004	Latin Literature of the Empire II	3

Major Portfolio

To comply with the Iowa Board of Regents policy on student outcomes assessment, the Department of Classics has established a method to assess the achievement level of students completing one of the department's majors. Students must maintain a portfolio that details their progress in attaining the objectives of their major. Students must register for and complete the following course.

Course #	Title	Hours
CLSA:3982	Graduation Portfolio	0

Students submit the portfolio to the undergraduate advisor by midterm of the semester in which they intend to graduate. Formal approval of the portfolio is required for graduation. Consult the undergraduate advisor for details.

Teacher Licensure

Students interested in teaching in elementary and/or secondary schools should seek admission to the Teacher Education Program (TEP) in the College of Education.

To qualify for licensure in secondary teaching, students in the TEP complete a degree in education as well as a related College of Liberal Arts and Sciences degree. See Apply on the College of Education website for details on requirements and deadlines for applying to the College of Education and about TEP choices of majors leading to licensure.