Classics, MA

The master’s degree in classics is intended for students who wish to advance their understanding of ancient Mediterranean languages, literatures, and cultures. Although it is primarily intended for students who wish to teach classics—Greek, Latin, mythology, Mediterranean archaeology, ancient philosophy, and classical literature—at the high school level or continue on to a PhD program, many students bring their advanced education to such careers as law, counseling, publishing, library science, grant writing, nonprofit organizations, and university administration.

Learning Outcomes

Students are expected to demonstrate:

- understanding of advanced Greek and Latin vocabulary and grammar;
- broad knowledge of ancient Greek and Latin literature;
- comprehension of ancient Mediterranean states, geography, and history;
- synthesis of the interplay between economics and trade, politics, warfare, class, race, ethnicity, gender, and rhetoric; and
- application of ancient concepts to modern problems.