

Classics, PhD

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
72 s.h. must be graduate level coursework; graduate transfer credits from an accredited institution allowed upon approval. More information is included in the General Catalog and on department website. ^a		
Competence in reading two scholarly languages, such as French, German, or Italian must be demonstrated by the end of the fourth year of study. ^b		
Hours		0
First Year		
Fall		
CLSG:4076	Greek Composition ^c	2 - 3
CLSG:5001	Greek Survey I: Archaic to Classical Literature	3
Departmental Seminar ^d		2
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		10-11
Spring		
CLSG:4076	Greek Composition ^c	2 - 3
CLSG:5002	Greek Survey II: Hellenistic to Late Antique Literature	3
Departmental Seminar ^d		2
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Foundations Exam ^e		
Hours		10-11
Second Year		
Any Semester		
Field Exams ^{f, g}		
Translation Exams ^{f, h}		
Hours		0
Fall		
CLSL:4076	Latin Composition ^c	2 - 3
CLSL:5001	Latin Survey I: Republican Literature	3
Departmental Seminar ^d		2
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		10-11
Spring		
CLSL:4076	Latin Composition ^c	2 - 3
CLSL:5002	Latin Survey II: Imperial to Late Antique Literature	3
Departmental Seminar ^d		2

Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		10-11
Third Year		
Any Semester		
Field Exams ^{f, g}		
Translation Exams ^{f, h}		
Hours		0
Fall		
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		6
Spring		
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		6
Fourth Year		
Any Semester		
Field Exams ^{f, g}		
Translation Exams ^{f, h}		
Hours		0
Fall		
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		6
Spring		
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Departmental Seminar ^d		3
Hours		6
Fifth Year		
Fall		
Prospectus Defense		
CLSL:7080 or CLSG:7080	Latin Thesis or Greek Thesis	4
Hours		4
Spring		
CLSL:7080 or CLSG:7080	Latin Thesis or Greek Thesis	4
Exam: Doctoral Final Exam ⁱ		
Hours		4
Total Hours		72-76

a Students must complete specific requirements in the University of Iowa Graduate College after program admission. Refer to the Graduate College website and the Manual of Rules and Regulations for more information.

b Other modern languages may be substituted with the approval of the student's faculty advisor and the department chair.

c Taken twice in consecutive semesters.

d Choose from CLSG or CLSL courses numbered 6011-6014, or CLSA:6100.

e Taken at the end of the first year, the foundations exam is a set reading list of broad themes exams in ancient Mediterranean history, literature, and culture. It consists entirely of take-home and open-book essay questions, which students have two weeks to complete.

f The doctoral comprehensive exam is the final field or translation exam undertaken by the student prior to the prospectus defense.

- g Students take three field exams in either Greek literature, Latin literature, biblical studies, early Christianity, Mediterranean history, Mediterranean archaeology, or ancient world digital humanities. Field exams are scheduled on an individual basis, either one or two per semester, and are based on a set reading list. They consist entirely of take-home and open-book essay questions, which students have two weeks to complete.
- h Students take two translation exams in either Greek, Latin, Hebrew/Aramaic, Coptic, or Syriac. Translation exams are scheduled on an individual basis, either one or two per semester, and are based on a set reading list. They are four hours each and taken in the department with dictionary access.
- i Dissertation defense.