Knowing the past gives a new perspective on the present. Once you have studied the myths, history and culture of ancient Greece and Rome, you'll always see the big picture. The long-term thinking and distinctive viewpoint of the classical civilization graduate is prized in education, business, law and creative fields.

Program Description

Classics is a transdisciplinary field that includes the study of the literature, art, history and philosophy of the ancient Greeks and Romans, subjects which fueled the Renaissance and have provided an intellectual foundation for innovative and influential people ever since.

ASU's BA program in international letters and cultures with a concentration in classical civilization provides a thorough grounding in the culture and history of the ancient Greeks or Romans while allowing students to satisfy their language requirement. The program begins with two cores: an introduction to ancient Greek and Roman literature (read in English translation) and knowledge of ancient history. With that basis, students are allowed to build a program to meet their needs and interests. Among the variety of topics students pursue are:

- ancient history, war, politics and economics
- archaeology of the ancient Mediterranean world
- art and architecture of the ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Romans
- mythology and religious practices of the Greeks and Romans
- significant figures such as Plato, Aristotle and Lucretius
- use of the classics in today's film, books and other media

In addition to the guidelines in the Concurrent Program Options section below, students interested in pursuing concurrent or second baccalaureate degrees in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are advised to visit the college's website for more information and requirements.
At a Glance

- **College/School:** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** Yes
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
  OR any math course that meets the MA designation
- **Math Intensity:** General

Required Courses (Major Map)

2023 - 2024 Major Map
Major Map (Archives)

Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's plus master's degree with:

Global Management, MGM

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated master's during the junior year of their bachelor's degree program. Interested students can learn about eligibility requirements and [how to apply](#).

Admission Requirements

**General University Admission Requirements:**
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.
[First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)
Tuition Information

When it comes to paying for college, everyone’s situation is different. Students can learn about ASU tuition and financial aid options to find out which will work best for them.

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should visit the Change of Major form for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer Options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use MyPath2ASU® to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey.

Global Opportunities

Global Experience
Students can walk the same steps as some of the most famous thinkers, historians and poets in history. Studying classical civilizations helps renew many of the ideas, languages and societies that have shaped the modern day. Ancient civilizations are brought to life when students see the connections between the past and present.

Each of the more than 300 Global Education program options available, whether in a foreign country, in the U.S. or online, provides an opportunity for students to develop a valuable skill set that can give them an advantage in their career and personal enrichment. Students build communication skills, are challenged to adapt and persevere, are exposed to differences across the world, and they increase their ability to work with diverse groups of people.

Career Opportunities

College graduates with a degree in classical civilization have the valuable experience of studying a culture that is very different from the modern world yet lies at the root of it. This gives them a perspective that serves them well in a variety of disciplines. Classical civilization graduates may consider careers in:
• business
• film, television or multimedia
• K-12 education
• law
• public service
• writing and editing (fiction, journalism, technical writing)

Additional education may be required for some career fields.

Career example titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience, geographical location, and required advanced degrees or certifications may affect pay scales.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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