

Classics, Minor

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Scratch the surface of the modern world and you'll find antiquity: ancient Greek and Latin language, myths and gods, literature, art and thought. You will gain a deeper understanding of the present and a clearer vision for the future by studying the language, civilizations and wisdom of the past.

Description

The minor program in classics provides a solid grounding in the language and literature of Greek and Roman antiquity, along with an interdisciplinary introduction to the ancient world as a whole. To this base, students may add courses selected from a wide variety, covering language, literature, art, philosophy, history, mythology and religion.

Students who complete study abroad with the Dorrance Scholarship program will be able to apply their experience to this minor.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe](#)

Program requirements

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The minor in classics requires 18-20 credit hours of courses detailed below. At least 12 credit hours must be upper division. A minimum of six credit hours must be completed in residence at ASU. All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or higher.

Required Language - Greek or Latin -- 6 credit hours

The six credits should be from a single language. Any six or more credits of the following will count:

GRK 201, 301, 302, or independent study taught in Greek.

LAT 201, 202, 421, or independent study taught in Latin.

GRK 201: Intermediate Ancient Greek (G) (4)

GRK 301: Ancient Greek Literature I (HU & G) (3)

Notes: Repeatable for credit

GRK 302: Ancient Greek Literature II (HU & G) (3)

Notes: Repeatable for credit

LAT 201: Intermediate Latin I (4)

LAT 202: Intermediate Latin II (4)

LAT 421: Roman Literature (HU) (3)

Notes: Repeatable for credit

Culture (choose two) -- 6 credit hours

GRK 351 / SLC 351: Tales of Troy (HU & H) (3)

GRK 352 / SLC 352: The Rise and Fall of Ancient Athens (HU & H) (3)

GRK 353 / SLC 353: Alexander and His Empires (HU & H) (3)

LAT 356 / SLC 356: Rome from Village to Empire (3)

LAT 357 / SLC 357: Rome's First Emperor (HU & H) (3)

LAT 358 / SLC 358: Saving the Roman Empire ((L or HU) & H) (3)

Classics Electives (choose two) -- 6 credit hours

ARS 402: Art of Ancient Egypt (GCSI OR HU & H) (3)

ARS 404: Greek Art (HU & H) (3)

ARS 406: Roman Art (HU & H) (3)

ASB 330: Understanding Archaeology (SOBE OR SB & G & H) (3)

ENG 303: Classical Backgrounds of English Literature (HUAD OR HU) (3)

GRK 444 / LAT 444 / SLC 444: Heroes, Ancient and Modern (L or HU) (3)

HST 346: Ancient Greece II: Late Classical and Hellenistic Period (SB & H) (3)

HST 347: Ancient Greece I: Bronze Age through the Peloponnesian War (CIVI OR SB & H) (3)

HST 349: Early Middle Ages ((HU or SB) & H) (3)

HST 373: Roman History I: Foundations and Republic (3)

HST 374: Roman History II: The Roman Empire (GCSI OR HU & H) (3)

HST 397: Greece and Rome at War (3)

PHI 328: History of Ancient Philosophy (GCSI OR HU & H) (3)

POS 340: History of Political Philosophy I (HU) (3)

REL 315: Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) (HUAD OR (L or HU) & H) (3)

REL 316: Literary Readings of the Hebrew Bible (L or HU) (3)

REL 371: New Testament (GCSI OR HU) (3)

REL 375: Lost Scriptures, Forgotten Gospels (HU) (3)

Prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this minor.

Enrollment requirements

GPA Requirement: 2.00

Incompatible Majors: BA in international letters and cultures (classical civilization) and BA in international letters and cultures (classics)

Other Enrollment Requirements: None

Current ASU undergraduate students may pursue a minor and have it recognized on their ASU transcript at graduation. Minor requirements appear on the degree audit once the minor is added. Certain major and minor combinations may be deemed inappropriate by the college or department of either the major program or the minor. Courses taken for the minor may not count toward both the major and minor.

Career opportunities

Some of the most popular career fields among classics students are education, law, the nonprofit sector, medicine and business, according to a survey of over 600 classics students published in The Classical Journal. Adding a classics minor to a student's program of study distinguishes them as having the advanced analytical reading and communication skills that come from studying Latin or ancient Greek, plus a deeper understanding of the roots of Western civilization, culture and history.

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