Classics

Overview

The Department of Classics at UC Berkeley is a leading center for the study of Greco-Roman antiquity, offering excellent undergraduate and graduate education in the language, literature, history, philosophy, religion, archaeology, and art of two major cultures of the ancient Mediterranean world. It is the intellectual home of a distinguished faculty, excellent graduate students, and an extraordinarily talented and diverse group of undergraduates. Our community is also enriched by many visiting scholars, including the annual Jane K. Sather Professor of Classical Literature.

The mission of the department has four major components:

1. To give students across the University access to the literature, history, archaeology, mythology, and philosophy of the ancient Greek and Roman world through an array of undergraduate courses on classical culture; in these courses, students access ancient writings not in the original Greek and Latin but through English translations. These courses introduce students to significant texts, artifacts, and ideas of the ancient world, while also putting these into their broader historical context. Such study deepens students’ understanding of present-day issues by inculcating a sense of historical perspective that takes account of both the differences and the continuities between contemporary and ancient cultures. The department also provides instruction in Greek and Latin, from the beginning to the advanced levels, to undergraduate and graduate students across a wide range of fields.

2. To enable undergraduates to immerse themselves in the language and culture of ancient Greece and Rome through its majors in Greek, Latin, Classical Languages, and Classical Civilizations. These majors equip students with knowledge and analytical skills that can be applied in many areas (e.g., law, politics, business, biosciences, computer science, and media), as well as provide essential preparation for graduate study in Classics, Comparative Literature, Philosophy, and other fields.

3. To train and mentor future scholars and teachers through its top-rated graduate programs in Classics and Classical Archaeology. The program in Classics combines intensive linguistic training in both Greek and Latin with wide-ranging intellectual exploration (including literature, history, archaeology, philosophy, and linguistics). The program in Classical Archaeology comprises the study of the material culture of Ancient Greek, Roman, and related cultures (e.g., Aegean, Etruscan, Punic) in order to understand their nature and development, drawing on evidence provided by ancient texts, settlement data, architectural remains, craft goods, art objects, and environmental materials.

4. To seek, through its faculty appointments, the breadth and excellence that can sustain these three goals. The department encourages individual and collaborative faculty research, intellectual engagement with students at all levels, and effective participation in the administrative and advisory work of the department, the College of Letters and Science, the Academic Senate, and the campus and university as a whole.

The Department of Classics encourages faculty participation in other programs and cooperation with other departments. It includes several faculty with joint appointments, and it enjoys strong connections with Art History, Comparative Literature, History, Linguistics, Medieval Studies, Near Eastern Studies, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Rhetoric, Theater Dance & Performance Studies, the Graduate Group in Ancient History & Mediterranean Archaeology, and the Graduate Theological Union.

On campus, Classics faculty direct the Nemea Center for Classical Archaeology, the Aleshire Center for the Study of Greek Epigraphy, and the Center for the Tebtunis Papyri and are actively involved with the Berkeley Center for the Study of Religion, the Phoebe Apperson Hearst Museum of Anthropology, and the Archaeological Research Facility.

Undergraduate Programs

Classical Civilizations (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/classical-civilizations/): BA, Minor
Classical Languages (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/classical-languages/): BA
Greek (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/greek/): BA, Minor
Latin (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/latin/): BA, Minor

Graduate Programs

Classics (http://guide.berkeley.edu/graduate/degree-programs/classics/): PhD
Classical Archaeology (http://guide.berkeley.edu/graduate/degree-programs/classical-archaeology/): PhD

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CLASSIC 10A Introduction to Greek Civilization

4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2020, Summer 2020 First 6 Week Session, Fall 2019 Study of the major developments, achievements, and contradictions in Greek culture from the Bronze Age to the 4th century BCE. Key works of literature, history, and philosophy (read in English translation) will be examined in their political and social context, and in relation both to other ancient Mediterranean cultures and to subsequent developments in Western civilization.

Introduction to Greek Civilization: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Introduction to Greek Civilization: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 10B Introduction to Roman Civilization 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, Spring 2020, Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session
Investigation of the main achievements and tensions in Roman culture from Romulus to the High Empire. Key sources for literature, history, and material culture are studied in order to reveal Roman civilization in its political and social context. All materials are read in English.
Introduction to Roman Civilization: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Introduction to Roman Civilization: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 17A Introduction to the Archaeology of the Greek World 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2018
The physical remains of the Greek world from the Bronze Age to 323 BCE will be studied, with emphasis on its artistic triumphs, as a means of understanding the culture of ancient Greece.
Introduction to the Archaeology of the Greek World: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Introduction to the Archaeology of the Greek World: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 17B Introduction to the Archaeology of the Roman World 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
This course provides a broad-based introduction to the archaeology of the ancient Romans from Rome’s origins in the Iron Age down to the disintegration of the Roman empire in the sixth century A.D. It aims to familiarize students with the more significant archaeological sites, monuments, artifact classes and works of art relating to the Roman world, and to introduce them to the important research questions in Roman archaeology and the methods that archaeologists employ to investigate these.
Introduction to the Archaeology of the Roman World: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 17A is not prerequisite to 17B

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of lecture and 0-1 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Introduction to the Archaeology of the Roman World: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 24 Freshman Seminars 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019
The Berkeley Seminar Program has been designed to provide new students with the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member in a small-seminar setting. Berkeley Seminars are offered in all campus departments, and topics vary from department to department and semester to semester.
Freshman Seminars: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered. Final Exam To be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.
Freshman Seminars: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 28 The Classic Myths 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
The society, culture, values and outlook on life of the ancient Greeks as expressed in their mythology; their views on life, birth, marriage, death, sex and sexuality; on culture and civilization, the origin and meaning of the world. Their use of myth to think about, and give order to human experience. The course includes some of the most important works of Western literature in English translation (the 'Odyssey', the 'Theogony', twelve plays by leading Greek dramatists (Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides), along with their historical and religious context, as well as drawing on material evidence (vase paintings, sculpture, archaeological sites).

The Classic Myths: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for Classics 28 after completing Classics N28. A deficient grade in Classics N28 may be removed by completing Classics 28.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

CLASSIC N28 The Classic Myths 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session
The society, culture, values and outlook on life of the ancient Greeks as expressed in their mythology; their views on life, birth, marriage, death, sex and sexuality; on culture and civilization, the origin and meaning of the world. Their use of myth to think about, and give order to human experience. The course includes some of the most important works of Western literature in English translation (the 'Odyssey', the 'Theogony'), twelve plays by leading Greek dramatists (Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides), along with their historical and religious context, as well as drawing on material evidence (vase paintings, sculpture, archaeological sites).

The Classic Myths: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 29 Introduction to Greco-Roman Magic 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2013, Spring 2009
This course will focus on ideas about magic in the Greek and Roman worlds from about 750 BCE through 400 CE. Topics will include witches, holy men, love spells, necromancy, spirits, and mystery religions. We will examine how magic was represented in high literature (by authors like Homer, Ovid, Apuleius, and Lucian), as well as the more practical evidence of curse tablets and the Greek Magical Papyri. Consideration will be given to analyzing the relationship between magic, religion, and philosophy. Our goal will be to study the common threads that connect different Greek and Roman magical practices, as well as to understand them in their cultural contexts.

Introduction to Greco-Roman Magic: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week
8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

CLASSIC 34 Epic Poetry: Homer and Vergil 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2016
Greek and Roman epics including the , , .

Epic Poetry: Homer and Vergil: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
CLASSIC 35 Greek Tragedy 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Fall 2018, Spring 2017
Greek tragedy with readings of Aeschylus, Sophocles, and Euripides.
Greek Tragedy: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week
8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Greek Tragedy: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 36 Greek Philosophy 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2019
Introduction to the philosophies of Socrates, Plato and Aristotle.
Greek Philosophy: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 3 weeks - 16 hours of lecture and 4 hours of discussion per week
6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week
8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Greek Philosophy: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 39A Freshman/Sophomore Seminar - Cleopatras 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 1998, Spring 1996
Freshman and sophomore seminars offer lower division students the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member and a group of peers in a small-seminar setting. In this seminar we shall scrutinize and discuss representations of the Ptolemaic queen Cleopatra from Antiquity to the present day; our sources will include monuments, literature, art, movies, and advertising. The only prerequisites for the course are interests in this (in)famous monarch and in our engagements with (and refashionings of) her over two millennia.

Freshman/Sophomore Seminar - Cleopatras: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Priority given to freshmen and sophomores

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Instructor: Hickey
Freshman/Sophomore Seminar - Cleopatras: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 39B Freshman/Sophomore Seminar - Greek and Roman Comedy 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 1998
This seminar-style class allows lower division students to explore comic texts from the Greco-Roman world, with special emphasis on the social meanings of comedy. Readings include stage comedy, satire, novels, fables, and other genres, from authors such as Aristophanes, Plautus, Terence, Horace, Petronius, and Apuleius. Students will be introduced to historical and theoretical contexts that will deepen their understanding of the literary readings and support discussions about comedy in other cultures, including our own contemporary experience. Assignments are designed to help students practice their skills in interpretation, argumentation, and written expression.

Freshman/Sophomore Seminar - Greek and Roman Comedy: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Priority given to freshmen and sophomores

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Instructor: McCarthy
Freshman/Sophomore Seminar - Greek and Roman Comedy: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 39D Utopia, Dystopia 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Fall 2006, Fall 2002
Freshman and sophomore seminars offer lower division students an opportunity to explore intellectual topics with a faculty member and peers in a seminar setting. In this course we will examine utopian literature from its classical beginnings, in Plato's Republic, and in his Timaeus and Critias (which tell the story of the lost world of Atlantis), as well as in some plays of Aristophanes. We will also consider later developments, in Thomas More's Utopia, and in such works as William Morris' News from Nowhere, and Ursula Le Guin's The Dispossessed. Towards the end of the semester the seminar participants will be divided into groups, each of which will be asked to devise its own utopia on a particular theme, for oral presentation in class.
Utopia, Dystopia: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: This course is open only to freshman and sophomores

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final Exam To be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.

Instructor: Ferrari

Utopia, Dystopia: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 39K Fresh/Soph Seminar - Travel and Transport in the Ancient World 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2016
Examination of how people moved both themselves and objects from one place to another in the ancient Greek and Roman worlds. Drawing on archaeological, literary, and pictorial evidence we consider an array of topics, including transport technology & infrastructure, the organization & costs of travel & transport, routes & travel times, banking, dining & overnighting on the road, packaging, labelling, & handling of cargoes, the roles of both short- and long-distance trade in the economy, reasons why people travelled, extreme travel, and the general travel experience. We also explore new digital technologies that allow us to better recreate and understand the nature and experience of travel and transport in pre-industrial times.
Fresh/Soph Seminar - Travel and Transport in the Ancient World: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Priority given to freshmen and sophomores

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final Exam To be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.

Instructor: Peña

Fresh/Soph Seminar - Travel and Transport in the Ancient World: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC R44 Roots of Western Civilization 5 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2018
This course covers Homeric and Classical Greece, Rome in its transition from republic to empire, and the world of the Old Testament. Lectures, discussions, and reading assignments will involve interdisciplinary approaches with an emphasis on the development of skill in writing. Satisfies either half of the Reading and Composition requirement plus one of the following Letters and Science breadth requirements: Arts and Literature, Historical Studies, or Social and Behavioral Sciences.

CLASSIC 50 Latin and Greek in Antiquity and After 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Have you wondered what ancient Greek and Latin were like and how they relate to other languages, including English? Have you heard people say learning Latin made them understand English better and improved their writing skills? Do you want some background in ancient languages that might help you understand terminology in law, science or other fields? This class is an opportunity to learn more about the history, structure, and influence of both Latin and Greek. Topics covered include the place of these languages in the Indo-European family, an overview of their structure and vocabulary, their history from classical antiquity to the present, their relation to later languages and and their influence on the Western intellectual tradition.

CLASSIC 98 Directed Group Study for Freshmen and Sophomores 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2014, Fall 2013, Spring 2013
Directed Group Study for Freshmen and Sophomores: Read More [+]

CLASSIC 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

CLASSIC 98 Directed Group Study for Freshmen and Sophomores: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 121 Ancient Religion 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2013, Fall 2012
The ancient Mediterranean world was a world full of gods: from the poems of Homer to the small towns of the Roman empire, we can find people constantly interacting with and thinking about the gods. Myth, ritual, oracles, mystery cults, magic, philosophy: these were all ways that Greeks and Romans engaged with the divine. War, peace, health, sickness, hope, fear: these were some of the reasons for these engagements. This course explores the polytheism of ancient Greece and Rome (c.800 BCE to c.200 CE), with close attention to both the ancient literary evidence and the archaeological material from the period. We will seek to understand both the long-term continuities and the important changes in religious life during Mediterranean antiquity.
Ancient Religion: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of lecture and 1-0 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: MacRae
Ancient Religion: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 124 Classical Poetics 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2011
Study of a selection (in English translation) of the most important works of classical antiquity that theorize about literature and of the works of some post-classical authors who wrote on similar themes under the influence of their classical predecessors. Authors studied may include Plato, Aristotle, Horace, Longinus, Augustine, Sidney, Pope, and Lessing.
Classical Poetics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Classical Poetics: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130 Topics in Ancient Greek and Roman Culture 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Topic to vary from year to year. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required; but provision will be made for students who wish to study some of the readings in the original language. Enrollment limited.
Topics in Ancient Greek and Roman Culture: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Topics in Ancient Greek and Roman Culture: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130A Epic and Saga 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course presents a comparative overview of epics and sagas from Greco-Roman antiquity and medieval north-west Europe (England, Iceland, and Ireland). No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
Epic and Saga: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes
Course Objectives:
To appreciate the history of reading epics and the importance of their reception-history to Romanticism, Nationalism, and Modernism.
To study the differences between epics of oral and literary traditions.
To understand the narrative conventions of ancient epic by contrast with those of modern fiction and film; to explore the scholarly vocabulary for describing such conventions.
To understand heroic narratives from Greek and Roman antiquity as well as ancient northwestern Europe in their respective cultural contexts, and to study their common themes.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Murphy
Epic and Saga: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 130B The Origins of Rome 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018
This course examines the origins of Rome, the quintessential city in the Western experience. It considers both the literary and archaeological evidence for the earliest periods of the city’s occupation, and the challenges involved in using and combining these two quite different forms of evidence. Particular attention will be given to recent archaeological discoveries and the ways in which these are transforming our understanding of early Rome. The course also examines the ways in which people in later periods – both in antiquity and in more recent times - have drawn on their knowledge of early Rome for a variety of different purposes, ranging from politics, to scholarship, to the arts. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
The Origins of Rome: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes

Course Objectives: Students achieve a familiarity with the archaeological and textual evidence regarding Rome ca. 1000 – 300 BC
Students achieve a familiarity with the overall topography of the city of Rome
Students develop their skills in the critical reading of ancient historical texts and modern historical/archaeological literature and in the composition of essays that express the critical evaluation of these
Students obtain a familiarity with the ways in which people have made use of stories about early Rome for a variety of different purposes.
Students obtain an understanding of the methods that scholars employ to recover and interpret archaeological and textual evidence regarding the past, the possibilities and limitations associated with each of these two different types of evidence, and the challenges involved in integrating these.
Students obtain an understanding of the social, political, and economic development of the early community of Rome

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Peña

The Origins of Rome: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130C Ancient Greek Political Thought 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018
In this course we will investigate the political thought of ancient Greece by discussing some of its most important and influential texts. All texts are to be read in translation.

Ancient Greek Political Thought: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Ferrari

Ancient Greek Political Thought: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 130D The Roman Economy 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course is designed to provide advanced undergraduates with a broad overview of the economy of the Roman Empire. It is organized around a series of weekly topics that will be explored through readings selected to provide students with exposure to the theory, evidence, and methods currently being employed by historians and archaeologists to investigate that particular aspect of the Roman economy. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
The Roman Economy: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes
Course Objectives: Students develop their skills in summarizing scholarly literature and in the critical discussion of this.
Students develop their skills in the analysis and interpretation of archaeological and historical evidence and in the presentation of their analyses in written form.
Students obtain a basic familiarity with the various kinds of evidence available regarding the Roman economy, the methods that scholars use to employ these, and the possibilities and limitations of these kinds of evidence.
Students obtain a familiarity with the general features of the economy of the Roman world.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Peña

The Roman Economy: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130E The Trojan War: History or Myth? 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course will explore the evidence for the Trojan War, one of the greatest stories ever told: literary, historical, visual and archaeological. The history of the search for the reality behind Homer’s epic and its scholarship will be examined as well as detailed analyses of the theories currently in play. Through reading, visual analysis, discussion and writing - students will discover for themselves the ancient world of the heroes and their legends. Was there ever an actual war between two powerful Bronze Age Aegean cultures? Did Hektor and Achilles ever really clash on the battlefield? Was Helen really ‘a face that launched 1000 ships?’ No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
The Trojan War: History or Myth?: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Shelton

The Trojan War: History or Myth?: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130F The History of Hell: Eschatology in Ancient Mediterranean Cultures 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019
In this course we will examine the history of ideas about the soul’s postmortem fate in the ancient Mediterranean world. We will focus on epic poets and philosophers from ancient Greece and Rome, but also read comparative material from the ancient Near East, the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, and medieval Christendom. Our goal will be to study the common threads that connect depictions of hell / the underworld in their respective cultural contexts. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
The History of Hell: Eschatology in Ancient Mediterranean Cultures: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Murphy

The History of Hell: Eschatology in Ancient Mediterranean Cultures: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 130G The Literature of Everyday Life 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Classical literature is full of mythological plots involving gods and monsters, heroes and kings. Less prominent are the kind of plots we are used to from modern literature, especially novels: plots that revolve around fictional characters invented to look like people in the street. Although these latter forms of literature are distanced from the prestigious genres of epic and tragedy, they still constitute an important part of ancient literature. In this class we will not only read a variety of texts that aim to depict ‘everyday life’ (including novels, satire, letters, comedy and more), but we will also consider the underlying principles of such literature. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
The Literature of Everyday Life: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status

CLASSIC 130H Religion and Literature in the Greco-Roman World 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Religion and literature are two conceptual systems through which people and societies organize disparate experiences into meaningful wholes. In the ancient pagan societies of Greece and Rome, where a shared experience of both religion and literature was a defining element of the community, these two systems were particularly interdependent. In this course we will read a variety of texts (e.g. epic, philosophy, tragedy) and examine the complex ways that literary concepts such as plot, character, closure and genre interact with religious concepts such as causation, moral justice, divine power, cosmology. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
Religion and Literature in the Greco-Roman World: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status

CLASSIC 130I Classical Greek Rhetoric: Evolution or Revolution? 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course aims to explore the development of classical Greek rhetoric from the fifth century through the end of the fourth century BCE. In light of Plato’s and Aristotle’s analyses of the subject, we tend to view rhetoric as an art (technê) consisting of a set of methodically organized principles or norms for the production of persuasive speech. The use of rhetorical techniques, however, was widespread in the Greek speaking world well before Plato and Aristotle began to reflect on its norms. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.
Classical Greek Rhetoric: Evolution or Revolution?: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status

CLASSIC 130J Graeco-Roman Egypt: Society and Economy 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019
Egypt: No other region of the Graeco-Roman world provides us with as much information about the daily lives of its inhabitants, and no body of ancient evidence is more inclusive in its coverage. In this course, we will read selections from this corpus of evidence closely, focusing on documentary papyri, but also looking at literature, inscriptions, and other cultural objects (as well as some later comparative material). We will discuss what this material contributes to our understanding of Graeco-Roman Egypt’s society and economy (law and status, gender, labor systems, education, religious practice, etc.), the limitations of the evidence, and its applicability to other regions of the ancient Mediterranean. All readings will be in English.
Graeco-Roman Egypt: Society and Economy: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status
CLASSIC 130K Music and Difference in Ancient Greece 4 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007
In this course, we will look at ancient Greek ideas and practices concerning the nature, sources, psychological effects, and social functions of music (including singing, instrumental music, and dance), during the Archaic and Classical periods (ca. 800-350 BCE). Taking an ethnomusicological approach, we will examine Greek musical culture as a whole, focusing especially on differences of gender, ethnicity, regionalism, class/status (e.g., free vs. slave), and even species – since the Greeks recognized that some animals are very musical, as of course are several of the gods and goddesses – to see what different kinds of music were played by the various performers, and at what kinds of occasions. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.

Music and Difference in Ancient Greece: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Griffith

Music and Difference in Ancient Greece: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130L Introduction to Greco-Roman Magic 4 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course will focus on ideas about magic in the Greek and Roman worlds from about 750 BCE through 400 CE. Topics will include witches, holy men, love spells, necromancy, spirits, and mystery religions. We will examine how magic was represented in high literature (by authors like Homer, Ovid, Apuleius, and Lucian) as well as the more practical evidence of curse tablets and the Greek Magical Papyri. Consideration will be given to analyzing the relationship between magic, religion, and philosophy. Our goal will be to study the common threads that connect different Greek and Roman magical practices, as well as to understand them in their cultural contexts. No knowledge of Greek or Latin required.

Introduction to Greco-Roman Magic: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Murphy

Introduction to Greco-Roman Magic: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130M Slavery and Literature in the Greco-Roman World 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2018
Slavery was one of the central institutions of life in classical Greece and Rome and had a profound affect on the ways these societies represented themselves and their world. In this course we will first spend some time learning about the historical condition of slavery in these two societies, then read a variety of works that show some of the ways that slaves and slavery operated in the intellectual and imaginative life of ancient authors. The three genres we will focus on are philosophy, drama (both tragedy and comedy) and the novel. There will be a variety of writing assignments of differing lengths and a final exam.

Slavery and Literature in the Greco-Roman World: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: McCarthy

Slavery and Literature in the Greco-Roman World: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 130N Ancient Portraiture & Biography 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2020
Important individuals in Greek and Roman society were commemorated both in honorific portraits and in biographies written to record for posterity their lives and achievements. In this class we will be reading a selection of Greek and Latin biographical texts (in translation) and comparing them with statuary monuments that represent the same individuals. We will be seeking to elicit the points of contact between the two commemorative traditions, visual and literary, and to understand the sometimes similar functions they serve. But we will also be attempting to bring out the differences in the way that biographical texts and portrait images operate, and the consequences that this has for the way we, as historians, must approach them.

Ancient Portraiture & Biography: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division status

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Hallett

Ancient Portraiture & Biography: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 130P Ancient Times: Myth, History, Measurement 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020
What time is it? How old is the earth? Where are we located in history? For us these questions may have simple answers: we can look at a watch or a calendar or a timeline. But ancient people thought very differently about these questions. The aim of this class is to see how. We will look at a variety of ancient evidence, including literature (in translation) and archaeology, to discover how Greeks and Romans thought about the deep past (mythic time), how they understood the direction and order of history, and how they organized and calculated time in their communities. We will also consider how ancient Jews and Christians came to reject classical conceptions of time and how this rejection still informs modern ideas about time and history.
Ancient Times: Myth, History, Measurement: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes
Student Learning Outcomes: Ability to analyze complicated historical and literary texts for their implicit ideologies and worldviews and to analyze material evidence for its value for reconstruction of ancient forms of life.
Ability to read and critique modern scholarly writing on the history of ancient time.
Gain knowledge of the literary and material evidence for ancient conceptions of time and history.
Preparation to ask and answer fundamental historical questions about the forms and experiences of temporality in different social and historical contexts.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: MacRae

Gender, Sexuality, and Culture in the Ancient World
Study of topics in gender, feminism, and sexuality in ancient cultures. Topics vary from year to year.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit up to a total of 2 times.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Kurke, Griffith

Topics in Greek Philosophy
The course is designed to deal with a single topic or selection of topics in Greek philosophy studied in translation. Possible topics are: the close study of one or more of Plato’s or Aristotle’s texts, Hellenistic philosophy, neo-Platonism.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 36 or Philosophy 25A or consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
CLASSIC 170A Classical Archaeology: Greek Vase Painting 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2013, Spring 2007
Classical Archaeology: Greek Vase Painting: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Classical Archaeology: Greek Vase Painting: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 170C Classical Archaeology: Greek Architecture 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2009, Fall 2005, Fall 2003
Classical Archaeology: Greek Architecture: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Classical Archaeology: Greek Architecture: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 170D Classical Archaeology: Roman Art and Architecture 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2015, Fall 2012
Classical Archaeology: Roman Art and Architecture: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Classical Archaeology: Roman Art and Architecture: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 172 Art and Archaeology of the Aegean Bronze Age 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2014
Introductory overview of the art and archaeology of ancient civilizations of the Bronze Age (3000-1100 BCE) Aegean: Crete, Cyclades, Mainland Greece, and Western Anatolia. Intended to expose to the sites, monuments, art, and artifacts of these cultures and understand the way a variety of evidence is used to reconstruct history. Emphasis also is placed on comparison of enigmatic and evocative cultures and material evidence to see how each evolved and to define similarities and differences.
Art and Archaeology of the Aegean Bronze Age: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Shelton
Art and Archaeology of the Aegean Bronze Age: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC N172A Archaeological Field School in Nemea, Greece 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2017 Second 6 Week Session
Through this field school students will participate in archaeological excavation and museum study in Greece at the site of Nemea and the Classical Sanctuary of Zeus. Through extensive travel and hands-on work, students will learn all major elements of methodology and analysis currently used in classical archaeology. The goal is to teach practical skills in a real research environment and an understanding of the material culture of Greece throughout various periods of its prehistory and history. Students will participate in a variety of field techniques and research methodologies.
Archaeological Field School in Nemea, Greece: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor or director
Hours & Format
Summer: 6 weeks - 0 hours of fieldwork per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructor: Shelton
Archaeological Field School in Nemea, Greece: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC N172B Archaeological Field School in Mycenae, Greece 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2009 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2008 10 Week Session, Summer 2008 Second 6 Week Session
Through this field school students will participate in archaeological excavation and museum study in Greece at the Bronze Age site of Mycenae (Petsas House). Through extensive travel and hands-on work, students will learn all major elements of methodology and analysis currently used in classical archaeology. The goal is to teach practical skills in a real research environment and an understanding of the material culture of Greece throughout various periods of its prehistory and history. Students will participate in a variety of field techniques and research methodologies.

Archaeological Field School in Mycenae, Greece: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor or director. N172A is not a prerequisite to N172B and may be taken concurrently

Hours & Format

Summer: 6 weeks - 0 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructor: Shelton

Archaeological Field School in Mycenae, Greece: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 175A Topography and Monuments: Athens 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2008, Spring 2004
Topography and Monuments: Athens: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Topography and Monuments: Athens: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 175D Topography and Monuments: Pompeii and Herculaneum 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2014, Spring 2010
Topography and Monuments: Pompeii and Herculaneum: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Topography and Monuments: Pompeii and Herculaneum: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 175F Topography and Monuments: Roman Wall Painting 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Fall 2012, Fall 2010
Topography and Monuments: Roman Wall Painting: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Topography and Monuments: Roman Wall Painting: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 175G Topography and Monuments: Ptolemaic and Roman Egypt 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2012
Topography and Monuments: Ptolemaic and Roman Egypt: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Topography and Monuments: Ptolemaic and Roman Egypt: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC C175F Pictorial Representation in the Roman World 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017
This course presents surviving evidence of pictorial representation in the Roman world. Including the earliest remains from the city of Rome; the suites of painted rooms in the houses of Pompeii and Herculaneum on the Bay of Naples; and Roman mosaics from Italy, North Africa, and the eastern Mediterranean.
Topics: ‘four styles’ of Pompeian interior decoration; the architect Vitruvius’ denunciation of contemporary painting in the early Augustan period; the reproduction of Greek ‘old master’ paintings from pattern books; the surviving paintings of the Domus Aurea, the emperor Nero’s ‘Golden House’ in Rome; the painting of marble statues and reliefs; and the colored mummy portraits preserved by the sands of the Egyptian desert.
Pictorial Representation in the Roman World: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Christopher Hallett
Also listed as: HISTART C145A

Pictorial Representation in the Roman World: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 180 Ancient Athletics 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2017, Fall 2004
Study of ancient athletics and athletes including athletic training, facilities, competitions, and the role of athletics in Greek and Roman society.
Ancient Athletics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Papazarkadas

Ancient Athletics: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC H195A Honors Course in Classics 2 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
This is a two-semester Honors course [H195A-B]. The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Classical Languages or Classical Civilizations major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.
Honors Course in Classics: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part one of a year long series course. A provisional grade of IP (in progress) will be applied and later replaced with the final grade after completing part two of the series. Final exam not required.
Formerly known as: Classics H195

Honors Course in Classics: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC H195B Honors Course in Classics 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
This is a two-semester Honors course [H195A-B]. The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Classical Civilizations or Classical Languages major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.
Honors Course in Classics: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part two of a year long series course. Upon completion, the final grade will be applied to both parts of the series. Final exam not required.

Honors Course in Classics: Read Less [-]
CLASSIC 198 Directed Group Study for Advanced Undergraduates 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Fall 2013
Directed Group Study for Advanced Undergraduates: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to senior honor students

Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 2.5-10 hours of directed group study per week
8 weeks - 1.5-7.5 hours of directed group study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Directed Group Study for Advanced Undergraduates: Read Less [-]

CLASSIC 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019, Summer 2017 Second 6 Week Session, Spring 2017
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to senior honor students

Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Classics/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

GREEK 1 Elementary Greek 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2018
Beginners' course.
Elementary Greek: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Elementary Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK 2 Elementary Greek 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
Beginners' course.
Elementary Greek: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 1 or equivalent

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Elementary Greek: Read Less [-]
GREEK 15 The Greek Workshop 10 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2020 10 Week Session, Summer 2019 10 Week Session, Summer 2018 10 Week Session
Designed for anyone who wishes to acquire reading knowledge of ancient Greek; replaces 2+ semesters of traditional study. Lectures, discussions, drills and tutorial sessions on grammar and vocabulary; readings in prose and poetry (e.g., Homer, Plato, Greek Tragedy, the Gospels).
The Greek Workshop: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior or graduate standing, or consent of instructor
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive five units of credit for Greek 15 after taking Greek 1 Students will receive no credit for Greek 15 after taking Greek 2 Students will receive no credit for Greek 15 after taking Greek 10

Hours & Format
Summer: 10 weeks - 15 hours of lecture and 15 hours of recitation per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructor: Chairman
The Greek Workshop: Read Less [-]

GREEK 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to freshmen and sophomores; consent of instructor; 3.3 overall GPA
Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Homer: Read Less [-]

GREEK 100 Plato and Attic Prose 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2018
Readings from Plato's or , and from other Attic prose authors (e.g., Xenophon, Lysias); some review of grammar.
Plato and Attic Prose: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 2, 10, or 15

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Plato and Attic Prose: Read Less [-]

GREEK 101 Homer 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2017
Selected readings in the or .
Homer: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 1-2, 10, or 15

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Homer: Read Less [-]

GREEK 102 Drama and Society 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Fall 2017
Reading of one Greek tragedy, and of further selections from the dramatists and/or prose literature of fifth century Athens.
Drama and Society: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Drama and Society: Read Less [-]
GREEK 105 The Greek New Testament 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
Readings in the Gospels and/or Acts and/or Epistles.
The Greek New Testament: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Greek 100

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Formerly known as: 125
The Greek New Testament: Read Less [-]

GREEK 115 Archaic Poetry 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Spring 2015, Spring 2014
Readings in various Greek poets.
Archaic Poetry: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 101 or 102
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Archaic Poetry: Read Less [-]

GREEK 116 Greek Drama 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Spring 2013, Spring 2012
Selected readings from Greek tragedy and/or comedy.
Greek Drama: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 101 or 102
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Greek Drama: Read Less [-]

GREEK 117 Hellenistic Poets 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2009, Fall 2002, Fall 2000
Readings in various Hellenistic poets.
Hellenistic Poets: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 101 or 102
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Hellenistic Poets: Read Less [-]

GREEK 120 Herodotus 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Spring 2012, Spring 2006
Readings in Herodotus.
Herodotus: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Herodotus: Read Less [-]

GREEK 121 Thucydides 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2014, Spring 2011
Readings in Thucydides.
Thucydides: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Thucydides: Read Less [-]
GREEK 122 Attic Oratory 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Fall 2013, Fall 2006
Readings in oratory.
Attic Oratory: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

GREEK 123 Plato and Aristotle 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
Readings in Plato and Aristotle.
Plato and Aristotle: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

GREEK 125 Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and Imperial Periods 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016, Spring 2014, Fall 2011
Selected readings in Greek prose or poetry written by authors active during the Hellenistic Age and the Roman Empire (3rd century BCE to 6th century CE).
Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and Imperial Periods: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100, and either 101, 102, or 105
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Hickey
Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and Imperial Periods: Read Less [-]

GREEK 160 Greek Prose Syntax and Stylistics 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2019
The goal of this course is to improve your understanding of Greek prose, its basic syntactical principles and the stylistic variation we see across the corpus. To this end, the course will comprise several components: review of grammar (especially syntax), vocabulary, and idiom; composition exercises; and reading passages (prepared and at sight) from Greek authors.
Greek Prose Syntax and Stylistics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Greek Prose Syntax and Stylistics: Read Less [-]
GREEK H195A Honors Course in Greek 2 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 1998
This is a two-semester Honors course [H195A-B]. The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Greek major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.
Honors Course in Greek: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part one of a year long series course. A provisional grade of IP (in progress) will be applied and later replaced with the final grade after completing part two of the series. Final exam not required.
Honors Course in Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK H195B Honors Course in Greek 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Greek major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.
Honors Course in Greek: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part two of a year long series course. Upon completion, the final grade will be applied to both parts of the series. Final exam not required.
Honors Course in Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to senior honors students
Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

Latin
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LATIN 1 Elementary Latin 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019
Beginners' course.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-4 hours of lecture per week
Summer: 8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Elementary Latin: Read Less [-]
LATIN 2 Elementary Latin 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019
Beginners' course.
Elementary Latin: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 1 or equivalent

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-4 hours of lecture per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week
8 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Elementary Latin: Read Less [-]

LATIN 15 The Latin Workshop 10 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2020 10 Week Session, Summer 2019 10 Week Session, Summer 2018 10 Week Session
Designed for anyone who wishes to acquire reading knowledge of Latin; replaces 2+ semesters of traditional study. Lectures, discussions, drills and tutorial sessions on grammar and vocabulary; readings in Latin prose and poetry (e.g., Cicero and Ovid).
The Latin Workshop: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior or graduate standing, or consent of instructor
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive five units of credit for Latin 15 after completing Latin 1, five units after completing Latin 2, and no credit after completing Latin 10.

Hours & Format
Summer: 10 weeks - 15 hours of lecture and 15 hours of recitation per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
The Latin Workshop: Read Less [-]

LATIN 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and 3.3 overall GPA; restricted to freshmen and sophomores
Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

LATIN 100 Republican Prose 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019
Selected readings in Caesar, Sallust, and Cicero; some review of grammar.
The Republican Prose: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 2, 10, or 15

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week
8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
The Republican Prose: Read Less [-]
LATIN 101 Vergil 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2019
Selected readings from Vergil.
Vergil: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Vergil: Read Less [-]

LATIN 102 Lyric and Society 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Reading in Catullus and Horace, and of short selections from prose literature of their periods.
Lyric and Society: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Lyric and Society: Read Less [-]

LATIN 115 Roman Drama 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2009, Fall 2008
Readings in Comedy (Plautus and/or Terence) and Tragedy (Seneca).
Roman Drama: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 101 or 102
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Roman Drama: Read Less [-]

LATIN 116 Lucretius, Vergil's Georgics 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2016, Spring 2013
Readings in the De Rerum Natura and the Georgics.
Lucretius, Vergil's Georgics: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 101 or 102
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Lucretius, Vergil's Georgics: Read Less [-]

LATIN 119 Latin Epic 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 2017, Spring 2014
Readings in Latin epic poetry.
Latin Epic: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 101 or 102
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Latin Epic: Read Less [-]

LATIN 120 Latin Prose to AD 14 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Fall 2013, Spring 2009
Readings in Latin prose authors such as Sallust, Cicero, Caesar, and Livy.
Latin Prose to AD 14: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100 and either 101 or 102 or 140
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Latin Prose to AD 14: Read Less [-]
LATIN 121 Tacitus 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Spring 2012, Fall 2008
Readings in Tacitus.
Tacitus: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100 and either 101 or 102 or 140
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

LATIN 122 Post-Augustan Prose 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Readings in Seneca, the younger Pliny, and other prose writers.
Post-Augustan Prose: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100 and either 101 or 102 or 140
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

LATIN 140 Medieval Latin 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Spring 2016
Introduction to medieval Latin: readings in prose and poetry from Cassiodorus to the Italian Renaissance, with emphasis on certain periods.
Medieval Latin: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

LATIN 155A Readings in Medieval Latin 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Spring 2010, Spring 2006
Study of texts selected from the early, high, or late medieval periods. Focuses on prose.
Readings in Medieval Latin: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100 or 101 or 102 or 140, or consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

LATIN 160 Latin Prose Syntax and Stylistics 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020
The goal of this course is to improve your understanding of Latin prose, its basic syntactical principles and the stylistic variation we see across the corpus. To this end, the course will comprise several components: review of grammar (especially syntax), vocabulary, and idiom; composition exercises; and reading passages (prepared and at sight) from Latin authors.
Latin Prose Syntax and Stylistics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
LATIN H195A Honors Course in Latin 2 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This is a two-semester Honors course [H195A-B]. The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Latin major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part one of a year long series course. A provisional grade of IP (in progress) will be applied and later replaced with the final grade after completing part two of the series. Final exam not required.

Honors Course in Latin: Read Less [-]

LATIN H195B Honors Course in Latin 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020
This is a two-semester course [H195A-B]. The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Latin major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part two of a year long series course. Upon completion, the final grade will be applied to both parts of the series. Final exam not required.

Honors Course in Latin: Read Less [-]

LATIN 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to senior honor students
Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 2.5-10 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 2-7.5 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Latin/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

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