



FACULTY OF ARTS

## CLASSICS

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Classics is the study of the Ancient Greek and Roman worlds from the perspectives of literature, history, archaeology, and art history. The Classical world and Classical languages have had an enormous influence on critical contemporary concepts as, for example, democracy, athletics, medicine, politics, and philosophy. The literature and art of ancient Greece and Rome continue to be a source of creative inspiration for writers, artists, and filmmakers across the globe. If you have a desire to understand our modern world, studying Classical civilization is an ideal way to begin; ancient Greek and Latin form the basis of over 60% of English words, so if you want to improve your ability to communicate precisely and gain access to thousands of years of literature, Classical Languages is a perfect way to start.

In the Classics program, you may choose to concentrate on classical civilization or study the classical languages. Classics is also an ideal supplement to other programs of study. Since they offer an interdisciplinary approach to the study of an interesting and influential culture, courses in this program provide an exceptional background not only for study at the graduate level in many areas besides Classics, but also for many careers requiring concise communication and critical thinking skills.

This program leads to a **Bachelor of Arts degree (3-year, 4-year, or Honours, specializing in either Classical Civilization or Classical Languages)** with a Major in Classics. Students taking an undergraduate degree in another Major may choose to add a **Minor** in Classics as a secondary area of interest.

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### SAMPLE CAREERS

Graduates of Classics find rewarding careers in museums, tourism, publishing, government, or business. Others are employed in the civil service or teaching at the high school level. Many courses in Classics provide excellent background for professions such as advertising, marketing, medicine, law, project management, theology, and in various levels and areas of education, ranging from ancient history, philosophy, through to social history. Classics majors have even gone on to be physicists and intelligence officers, or have founded technology companies. Learn more about what some of our alumni are up to by visiting the [Classics Alumni webpage](#).

### SAMPLE COURSES

**Greek Society and Roman Society** are first-year courses. They examine the social structure of ancient Greece and Rome and the standards and values implicit in their various institutions.

**Sport in the ancient Greek world and Sport in the ancient Roman world** are second-year courses that chart the development and influence of sport and entertainment in both the ancient and modern worlds.

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**The Roman Army**, a second year course, traces the importance of the army in Roman history.

**Classical Mythology**, a second-year course, acquaints students with the myths found in Greek and Roman societies; the origins, interpretations, and variations of traditional myths are examined and investigated.

### **MORE SAMPLE COURSES**

- The History of Classical Greece
- The History of the Roman Empire
- Magic and Divination in the Greek and Roman World
- Religion in Greece and Rome
- Education in the Ancient World
- Introduction to Classical Archaeology
- Food, Diet, and Dining in Antiquity

### **SAMPLE FIRST YEAR**

One or more of:

CLAS-1011(3) Greek Society, CLAS-1012(3) Roman Society, CLAS-1100(3) Introductory Latin I, CLAS-1101(3) Introductory Latin II, CLAS-1200(3) Introductory Greek I, CLAS-1201(3) Introductory Greek II.

RHET-1101(3) Academic Writing: Humanities or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)  
21 credit hours Electives, depending on interest

*NOTE: This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.*

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***“I loved the community. I met some of my closest friends in Classics courses – friends that I still keep in touch with today. My life would not be the same without making those connections. And the professors were knowledgeable, supportive, and showed great dedication to their students.”***

- Amy Mack (BA Honours), People and Culture Operations Administrator,  
Canadian Museum of Human Rights

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### **REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES**

You must meet The University of Winnipeg’s general admission requirements. No specific courses required.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

For details on application requirements, and deadlines, and to apply online, please visit:  
[uwinnipeg.ca/apply](http://uwinnipeg.ca/apply)

For more information contact a student recruitment officer at [welcome@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:welcome@uwinnipeg.ca) or 204.786.9844. In any case where the University’s Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.

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