

CLASSICS - BA, CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION TRACK

The BA in Classics is designed to give students a thorough grounding in the culture, history, literature, and intellectual accomplishments of Ancient Greece and Rome from the Bronze Age to the dawn of the Middle Ages.

Studying the history and literature of these civilizations will not only help students to develop skills in close reading, writing, and critical thinking, but will also help them to see how fundamental concepts of Western Civilization such as rationalism and democracy first arose in Classical Antiquity.

The Classical Civilization track focuses on the history, beliefs, and material culture of ancient Greek and Roman civilization. Students can fulfill the foreign language requirement by studying a classical or modern language.

A major in Classics signals a commitment to serious intellectual inquiry and is an excellent basis for careers in law, business, consulting, public service, and teaching. Those intending to pursue careers in medicine or finance will also find that a major in Classics can be easily combined with undergraduate courses required for those fields.

Program Requirements

First Year

	Semester Credit Hours
Fall	
ENGL 104 Composition and Rhetoric	3
Foreign Language ¹	4
Mathematics (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics) ²	3
Classics directed elective ³	3
General elective ⁴	3
Semester Credit Hours	16
Spring	
Foreign language ¹	4
Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)	3
Social and behavioral sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences)	3
Classics directed elective ³	3
General elective ⁴	3
Semester Credit Hours	16

Second Year

Fall	
Foreign language ¹	3
Language, philosophy and culture (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)	3

Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
General elective ⁴	3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Spring

Communication (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication)	3
Creative arts (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)	3
Foreign language ¹	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
General elective ⁴	3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Third Year

Fall

American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)	3
Mathematics (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics) ²	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
General elective ⁴	3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Spring

American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)	3
Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
Literature directed elective (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/)	3
General elective ⁴	3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Fourth Year

Fall

CLAS 491 Research	1
Government/Political science (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
Literature directed elective (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/)	3
General elective ⁴	3

Semester Credit Hours 13

Spring

CLAS 410 Seminar in Classical Studies	3
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Government/Political science (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)	3
Social and behavioral sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences)	3
Classics directed elective ⁵	3
General elective ⁴	3
Semester Credit Hours	15
Total Semester Credit Hours	120

¹ Complete 14 hours of a foreign language (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/>) through the intermediate level. If you choose to enroll in a language you have studied previously without receiving college credit, you must first take a placement test. See academic advisor.

² At least 3 hours must be in MATH. Three hours may be PHIL 240.

³ Select from ANTH 300-499 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/anth/>); ARCH 430, ARCH 434; ARTS 335; CLAS 220, CLAS 230-499 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/clas/>); HIST 300-499 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hist/>).

⁴ Select from any 100-499 courses not used elsewhere, except CLAS 300-499 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/clas/>).

⁵ Select from ANTH 316, ANTH 317/RELS 317; CLAS 220, CLAS 230-499 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/clas/>); PHIL 410, PHIL 411.

Graduation requirements include 3 hours of International and Cultural Diversity (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) courses and 3 hours of Cultural Discourse (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/>) courses. A course satisfying a core category, a college/department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. The required 6 hours may be met by courses satisfying other areas of a degree program. See your academic advisor for further information.

Minor Field of Study. All Classics majors are strongly encouraged to select 15-18 hours in a minor field of study. Students must earn a C or better in all minor coursework.

Courses cross-listed with other programs cannot be used under different prefixes to fulfill more than one requirement.