BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN ANCIENT MEDITERRANEAN CIVILIZATIONS

Program Learning Outcomes for the BA Degree with a Major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations

Upon completing the BA degree with a major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations, students will be able to:

1. Explain the historical trajectory of at least two of these Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations: Graeco-Roman, Islamic, Jewish, Christian.
2. Identify and explain how cultural, political, intellectual, religious, and other aspects of Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations have affected aspects of contemporary societies.
3. Create convincing arguments about one or more aspects of Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations through the evaluation and critical analysis of textual and material evidence.

Requirements for the BA Degree with a Major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations

For general university requirements, see Graduation Requirements (ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements). Students pursuing the BA degree with a major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations must complete:

- A minimum of 10 courses (30-32 credit hours depending on course selection) to satisfy major requirements.
- A minimum of 120 credit hours to satisfy degree requirements.
- A minimum of 60 credit hours outside of major requirements.
- A minimum of 5 courses (15 credit hours) at the 300-level or above.

Although not required, courses in ancient languages are recommended.

The courses listed below satisfy the requirements for this major. In certain instances, courses not on this official list may be substituted upon approval of the major’s academic advisor (or official certifier). Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

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Core Requirements

Select 3 courses from 3 of the 5 following categories (from the Core Requirements course list below):

- Graeco-Roman Civilization
- Islamic Civilization
- Jewish Civilization
- Christian Civilization
- Archaeological Methods and Theory

Themes Across Time

Select 1 course from the Themes Across Time course list below.

Comparative Studies

Select 1 course from the Comparative Studies course list below.

Elective Requirements

Select 5 additional courses from any of the course lists below.

Total Credit Hours Required for the Major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations

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Footnotes and Additional Information

* Includes coursework completed as distribution credit, FWIS, LPAP, upper-level, residency (hours taken at Rice), 60 hours outside of the major (if applicable), and any additional academic program requirements. The “hours outside of the major” requirement may include all of the above university requirements.

1 Courses in this requirement address the creation, transmission, and reception of traditions in the Mediterranean world.

2 Courses in this requirement address two different cultural traditions or reflect similar themes but from different cultures (e.g. Women in Greece & Rome).

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Select 3 courses from 3 the following 5 categories:

Graeco-Roman Civilization

- ANTH 325 / SWGS 332 SEX, SELF, AND SOCIETY IN ANCIENT GREECE
- ANTH 363 EARLY CIVILIZATIONS
- CLAS 101 / FSEM 101 FRESHMAN SEMINAR: Socrates: The Man and His Philosophy
- CLAS 107 / HUMA 107 GREEK CIVILIZATION AND ITS LEGACY
- CLAS 108 / HUMA 111 ROMAN CIVILIZATION AND ITS LEGACY
- CLAS 225 / SWGS 225 WOMEN IN GREECE AND ROME
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CLAS 235 CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY: INTERPRETATION, ORIGINS, AND INFLUENCE
CLAS 316 / PLST 316 DEMOCRACY AND POLITICAL THEORY IN ANCIENT GREECE
CLAS 318 / HIST 316 THE INVENTION OF PAGANISM IN THE ROMAN EMPIRE
CLAS 336 / LING 336 INTRO TO INDO-EUROPEAN
GREE 101 ELEMENTARY GREEK I
GREE 102 ELEMENTARY GREEK II
GREE 201 INTERMEDIATE GREEK I: PROSE
GREE 202 INTERMEDIATE GREEK: EURIPIDES MEDEA/BIBLICAL KOINE
HART 320 EIGHTEENTH CENTURY EUROPEAN ART
HIST 200 ANCIENT EMPIRES: ORIGINS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATIONS
HIST 307 IMPERIAL ROME FROM CAESAR TO DIOCLETIAN
HIST 308 / MDEM 308 THE WORLD OF LATE ANTIQUITY
HIST 357 / MDEM 357 JEWS AND CHRISTIANS IN MEDIEVAL EUROPE
HIST 358 HUMANITARIANISM FROM THE 19TH CENTURY TO THE PRESENT
LATI 101 / MDEM 101 ELEMENTARY LATIN I
LATI 102 / MDEM 102 ELEMENTARY LATIN II
LATI 201 / MDEM 211 INTERMEDIATE LATIN I: PROSE
LATI 202 / MDEM 212 INTERMEDIATE LATIN II
LATI 302 ADVANCED LATIN
LATI 303 ADVANCED LATIN: PLAUTUS AND TERENCE
LATI 313 CICERO AND CATULLUS: LITERATURE AND SOCIETY IN THE ROMAN REPUBLIC

Islamic Civilization
ASIA 221 / RELI 221 THE LIFE OF THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD
HIST 382 CULTURAL TRENDS IN MEDIEVAL ISLAM, 750-1400
RELI 223 QUR’AN AND COMMENTARY
RELI 440 ISLAM’S MYSTICAL AND ESOTERIC TRADITION

Jewish Civilization
HIST 381 / RELI 385 GOD, TIME AND HISTORY
RELI 104 / MDEM 103 INTRODUCTION TO JEWISH MYSTICISM
RELI 108 INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM
RELI 122 THE BIBLE AND ITS INTERPRETERS
RELI 125 / HEBR 125 INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL HEBREW I

Christian Civilization
RELI 105 / MDEM 105 INTRODUCTION TO MEDIEVAL CHRISTIAN THOUGHT
RELI 122 THE BIBLE AND ITS INTERPRETERS
RELI 125 / HEBR 125 INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL HEBREW I
RELI 126 / HEBR 126 INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL HEBREW II
RELI 127 INTERMEDIATE BIBLICAL HEBREW III
RELI 128 / HEBR 128 INTERMEDIATE BIBLICAL HEBREW IV
RELI 243 THE BOOK OF GENESIS
RELI 271 / MDEM 271 MEDIEVAL POPULAR CHRISTIANITY
RELI 282 INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIANITY
RELI 304 JESUS AND THE GOSPELS
RELI 307 BASIC COPTIC 1
RELI 308 BASIC COPTIC 2
RELI 309 BASIC COPTIC 3
RELI 365 PAUL AND THE NEW TESTAMENT
RELI 381 THE MESSIAH
RELI 383 THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS
RELI 449 EARLY CHRISTIAN CONTROVERSIES
RELI 456 HISTORY OF WESTERN CHRISTIANITY: REFORMATION TO THE PRESENT

Archaeological Methods and Theory
ANTH 203 HUMAN ANTIQUITY: AN INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY AND PREHISTORY
ANTH 205 INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY
ANTH 312 / MDEM 311 AFRICAN PREHISTORY
ANTH 345 THE POLITICS OF THE PAST: ARCHAEOLOGY IN SOCIAL CONTEXT
ANTH 362 ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD TECHNIQUES
ANTH 363 EARLY CIVILIZATIONS
ANTH 425 ADVANCED TOPICS IN ARCHAEOLOGY
ANTH 460 ADVANCED ARCHAEOLOGICAL THEORY

Themes Across Time

Select 1 course from the following:

ANTH 363 EARLY CIVILIZATIONS
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### Policies for the BA Degree with a Major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations

#### Transfer Credit

For Rice University's policy regarding transfer credit, see Transfer Credit ([ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/transfer-credit](ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/transfer-credit)). Some departments and programs have additional restrictions on transfer credit. The Office of Academic Advising maintains the university's official list of transfer credit advisors on their website: [http://oaa.rice.edu](http://oaa.rice.edu). Students are encouraged to meet with their academic program's transfer credit advisor when considering transfer credit possibilities.

#### Program Transfer Credit Guidelines

Students pursuing the major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations should be aware of the following program-specific transfer credit guidelines:

- Request for transfer credit will be considered by the program director (and/or the program’s official transfer credit advisor) on an individual case-by-case basis.

For additional information, please see the Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations website: [https://amc.rice.edu/](https://amc.rice.edu/)

#### Opportunities for the BA Degree with a Major in Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations

##### Academic Honors

The university recognizes academic excellence achieved over an undergraduate's academic history at Rice. For information on university honors, please see Latin Honors ([ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university](ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university)) ([summa cum laude](ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university), [magna cum laude](ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university), and [cum laude](ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university). Some departments have department-specific Honors awards or designations. See [https://humanities.rice.edu/student-life](https://humanities.rice.edu/student-life) for tables of fellowships, prizes, and internships/practica that may be relevant to this major.

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Comparative Studies

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**Comparative Studies** Select 1 course from the following: | | 3-4 |
CLAS 225 / SWGS 225 | WOMEN IN GREECE AND ROME | |
CLAS 336 / LING 336 | INTRO TO INDO-EUROPEAN | |
HIST 357 / MDEM 357 | JEWS AND CHRISTIANS IN MEDIEVAL EUROPE | |
PHIL 301 / CLAS 301 / MDEM 301 | ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY | |
RELI 112 | COMPARING CHRISTIANITIES | |
RELI 213 | THE PROPHET JEREMIAH: THE BIBLICAL BOOK AND ITS RECEPTION IN JUDAISM AND CHRISTIANITY | |
RELI 348 | CHRISTIANITY AND ISLAM IN AFRICA | |
RELI 384 | PILGRIMAGE AND CRUSADE | |
RELI 392 | JERUSALEM: HOLY CITY IN TIME AND IMAGINATION | |
RELI 443 | MAIMONIDES "GUIDE FOR THE PERPLEXED" | |