BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN CLASSICAL STUDIES

Program Learning Outcomes for the BA Degree with a Major in Classical Studies

Upon completing the BA degree with a major in Classical Studies, students will:

1. If they pursue the Classical Languages specialization, be proficient at reading Greek and Latin and have articulate knowledge of the grammar and style of both languages.
2. Understand texts, artifacts, institutions, events, personalities, and places that are integral to ancient Greek and Roman culture.
3. Be able to analyze, interpret, and think critically about those texts, artifacts, institutions, events, personalities, and places.
4. Be able to situate those texts, artifacts, institutions, events, personalities, and places in their historical and cultural contexts.
5. Be able to relate classical civilization to the world around them, and to appreciate the profound influence classical civilization had on later Western civilization.

Requirements for the BA Degree with a Major in Classical Studies

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 Classical Studies must complete:

- A minimum of 10 courses (30 credit hours) 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 2 courses (6 credit hours) at the 300-level or above.
- The requirements for one area of specialization (see list below). The Classical Studies major offers two areas of specialization:
  - Classical Languages (p. ), or
  - Classical Civilizations (p. )

The Classical Studies program offers instruction in the Greek and Latin languages, in Greek and Roman literature (studied in the original and in translation), in the classical civilizations surveyed as a whole, and in particular themes, genres, and periods of classical culture and their influence through subsequent ages. We cater to students who wish to prepare for graduate school in classics and also to students who are interested in Greek and Roman culture for other reasons and wish to take a less specialized approach. The program provides maximum flexibility without sacrifice of focus. Students will be able to explore ancient Greece and Rome from a variety of different angles and with whatever emphasis best suits their individual needs and goals.

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 where applicable, the department’s Director of Undergraduate Studies. (Course substitutions must be formally applied and entered into Degree Works by the major’s

Official Certifier (https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degereeworks/officialcertifier). Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

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Degree Requirements

Core Requirements

Select 2 from the following:

- CLAS 107 / HUMA 107  GREEK CIVILIZATION AND ITS LEGACY
- CLAS 108 / HUMA 111  ROMAN CIVILIZATION AND ITS LEGACY
- CLAS 235  CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY: INTERPRETATION, ORIGINS, AND INFLUENCE
- CLAS 336  INTRO TO INDO-EUROPEAN

Areas of Specialization

Select 1 from the following (see Areas of Specialization below):

- Classical Languages
- Classical Civilizations

Total Credit Hours Required for the Major in Classical Studies

Total Credit Hours Required for the BA Degree with a Major in Classical Studies

Additional Credit Hours to Complete BA Degree Requirements

University Graduation Requirements (ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements)*

Total Credit Hours

120

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 A minimum of 2 courses (6 credit hours) must be taken at the 300-level or above.

Areas of Specialization

To fulfill the remaining Classical Studies major requirements, students must complete the requirements for one area of specialization as listed below. Some courses in ancient philosophy, history, art history, and religion offered by the departments of Philosophy, History, Art History, and Religion also satisfy requirements for either specialization of the Classical Studies major. For advice about which courses do this, consult the program director.
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Area of Specialization: Classical Languages

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Area of Specialization: Classical Civilizations

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Footnotes and Additional Information

1 A minimum of 2 courses (6 credit hours) must be taken at the 300-level or above.

Policies for the BA Degree with a Major in Classical Studies

Transfer Credit

For Rice University’s policy regarding transfer credit, see 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: https://oaa.rice.edu. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic program’s transfer credit advisor when considering transfer credit possibilities.

Departmental Transfer Credit Guidelines

Students pursuing the major in Classical Studies should be aware of the following departmental transfer credit guidelines:

• Requests 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 Classical and European Studies website: http://ces.rice.edu/.

Opportunities for the BA Degree with a Major in Classical Studies

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) (summa cum laude, magna cum laude, and cum laude) and Distinction in Research and Creative Work (ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university). Some departments have department-specific Honors awards or designations. See https://humanities.rice.edu/student-life for tables of fellowships, prizes, and internships/practica that may be relevant to this major.