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 be able to:

1. Understand texts, artifacts, institutions, events, personalities, and places that are integral to ancient Greek and Roman culture.
2. Analyze, interpret, and think critically about those texts, artifacts, institutions, events, personalities, and places.
3. Situate those texts, artifacts, institutions, events, personalities, and places in their historical and cultural contexts.
4. Relate classical civilization to the world around them, and appreciate the profound influence classical civilization had on later Western civilization.

Additionally, upon completing the major in Classical Studies and an area of specialization in Classical Languages, students will be able to:

1. Read Greek and Latin proficiently and display articulate knowledge of the grammar and style of both languages.

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) taken at the 300-level or above.
- The requirements for one area of specialization (see below for areas of specialization). The BA degree with a major in Classical Studies offers two areas of specialization:
  - Classical Civilizations (p. ), or
  - Classical Languages (p. ).

The Classical Studies major 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. The program caters to students who wish to prepare for graduate school in classics as well as to students 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/degreeworks/officialcertifier).) Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

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Degree Requirements

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Area of Specialization

Select 1 from the following Areas of Specialization (see Areas of Specialization below): 24

- Classical Civilizations

Total Credit Hours Required for the Major in Classical Studies 30

Additional Credit Hours to Complete BA Degree Requirements 60

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

Students must complete the requirements as listed for one of the following areas of specialization as offered by the Classical Studies major. A total of 8 courses (24 credit hours) must be taken in the area of specialization.

Summary

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Area of Specialization: Classical Civilizations
Students must complete a total of 8 courses (24 credit hours) as listed below to satisfy the requirements for the area of specialization in Classical Civilizations.

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Select 8 courses from Classical Studies (CLAS), Greek (GREE), or Latin (LATI) course offerings

Total Credit Hours 24

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

Area of Specialization: Classical Languages
Students must complete a total of 8 courses (24 credit hours) as listed below to satisfy the requirements for the area of specialization in Classical Languages.

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Select 1 from the following:
- A minimum of 1 course (3 credit hours) must be taken at the 300-level or above.

Total Credit Hours 24

Distribution Credit Information
The determination of distribution eligibility is done as part of the new course creation process (https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/courseprocess). As part of an annual roll call (https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/distribution_credit) coordinated each Spring by the Office of the Registrar, course distribution eligibility is reviewed and reaffirmed by the Dean's Offices of each of the academic schools.

Faculty and leadership in the academic schools are responsible for ensuring that the courses identified as distribution-eligible meet the criteria as set in the General Announcements (ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/#text). Students are responsible for ensuring that they meet graduation requirements (ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/#text) by completing coursework designated as distribution at the time of course registration.

Distribution courses from the Department of Classical and European Studies are broad in theme and scope and provide students with a substantial inquiry into literature, art, media, history, thought, and/or politics, including specific national traditions, linguistic contexts, and historical periods. Such courses involve a broad and often interdisciplinary spectrum of knowledge, providing students with the tools for thinking critically about the formation of European culture, its colonial past, and its national and linguistic traditions from antiquity to the present.

Additional Information
For additional information, please see the Classical and European Studies website: https://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.

Additional Information
For additional information, please see the Classical and European Studies website: https://ces.rice.edu/.

See https://humanities.rice.edu/student-life for tables of fellowships, prizes, and internships/practica that may be relevant to this major.

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.