

# GREEK LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

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The minor in Greek Language and Literature is part of the [Classical Studies](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/classical-studies/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/classical-studies/>) program in the Department of Modern and Classical Literatures and Cultures (<https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/modern-and-classical-literatures-and-cultures/#text>). This minor is an opportunity to pursue a well-defined course of study in ancient Greek language, from the elementary to advanced level, and in ancient Greek authors and texts and their cultural contexts.

## Minor

- [Minor in Greek Language and Literature](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/greek-language-literature/greek-minor/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/greek-language-literature/greek-minor/>)

Greek Language and Literature does not currently offer an academic program at the graduate level.

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To view the list of official course offerings, please see [Rice's Course Catalog](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat?p_action=cata) ([https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat?p\\_action=cata](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat?p_action=cata)).

To view the most recent semester's course schedule, please see [Rice's Course Schedule](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat) (<https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat>).

## Greek (GREE)

**GREE 101 - ELEMENTARY GREEK I**

**Short Title:** ELEMENTARY GREEK I

**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture

**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter

**Course Type:** Lecture

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

**Description:** Reading-based introduction to ancient Greek. Readings include passages from classical and New Testament authors.

Explanation and analysis of basic grammar, including comparison with English grammar. Besides translating Greek to English (and vice versa), we will consider the language and literature in their historical context, and practice reading ancient Greek aloud. Effective May 15, 2019, this course does not carry D1 credit.

**GREE 102 - ELEMENTARY GREEK II**

**Short Title:** ELEMENTARY GREEK II

**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture

**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter

**Course Type:** Lecture

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

**Description:** Continuation of GREE 101. Effective May 15, 2019, this course does not carry D1 credit.

**GREE 201 - INTERMEDIATE GREEK I: PROSE**

**Short Title:** INTERMEDIATE GREEK I: PROSE

**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture

**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter

**Course Type:** Lecture

**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

**Description:** Review of forms and syntax. Readings from Plato.

**GREE 202 - INTERMEDIATE GREEK: EURIPIDES MEDEA/BIBLICAL KOINE**

**Short Title:** INTERMEDIATE GREEK

**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture

**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter

**Course Type:** Lecture

**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

**Description:** Section 1 reads Euripides or Sophocles. Section 2 reads excerpts from New Testament, Septuagint, and Early Christian writers. Includes review of forms and syntax. Mutually exclusive with GREE 210. Credit cannot be earned for GREE 202 if a student has previously taken GREE 210.

**GREE 210 - INTERMEDIATE GREEK LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE****Short Title:** INTMD GREEK LANG. AND LIT**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This course is open to all students of ancient Greek who have completed GREE 101 or higher. Its focus is translation, grammatical analysis, and literary criticism of ancient Greek texts (prose and/or poetry). Because the assigned Greek texts vary from semester to semester, the course may be repeated for credit. Mutually exclusive with GREE 202. Credit for GREE 210 cannot be earned if a student has previously taken GREE 202. Recommended Prerequisite(s): GREE 101 or equivalent Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 238 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Laboratory, Lecture, Seminar, Independent Study, Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 302 - HOMER****Short Title:** HOMER**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Open to third and fourth year undergraduates. An opportunity to read the Iliad/Odyssey in the original Greek. Includes review of forms and syntax as well as discussion of Homeric dialect, meter, poetics, and oral tradition. May be repeated (once) for credit. Graduate/Undergraduate Equivalency: GREE 502. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for GREE 302 if student has credit for GREE 502. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 306 - ADVANCED GREEK: POETRY****Short Title:** ADVANCED GREEK: POETRY**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is intended for students with at least two prior years of Greek. The course will focus on Greek poetic texts, with an emphasis on Attic tragedy. The course will emphasize poetic vocabulary and grammar, meter, and performance contexts. Texts change each semester. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 307 - ADVANCED GREEK: PROSE****Short Title:** ADVANCED GREEK: PROSE**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is intended for students with at least two prior years of Greek. The course will focus on prose texts, with an emphasis on fifth- and fourth- century authors. The course will emphasize vocabulary, grammar, and historical contexts. Texts change each semester, repeatable for credit. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 310 - ADVANCED GREEK LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE****Short Title:** ADVANCED GREEK LANG. AND LIT.**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is open to all students of ancient Greek who have completed GREE 102 or higher. Its focus is translation, grammatical analysis, and literary criticism of ancient Greek texts (prose and/or poetry). Because the assigned Greek texts vary from semester to semester, the course may be repeated for credit. Graduate/Undergraduate Equivalency: GREE 510. Recommended Prerequisite(s): GREE 102 or equivalent Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for GREE 310 if student has credit for GREE 510. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 477 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Lecture, Seminar, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

**GREE 492 - DIRECTED READING****Short Title:** DIRECTED READING**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Independent work for qualified juniors and seniors in genres or authors not presented in other courses. Effective May 15, 2019, this course does not carry D1 credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 502 - HOMER****Short Title:** HOMER**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.**Course Level:** Graduate**Description:** Open to graduate students. Read the Iliad/Odyssey in the original Greek. Review of forms and syntax. Discussion of Homeric dialect, meter, poetics, and oral tradition. Requirement beyond GREE 302: oral presentation analyzing diction and poetic formulas in a specific passage. Repeatable (once) for credit. Graduate/Undergraduate Equivalency: GREE 302. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for GREE 502 if student has credit for GREE 302. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 503 - DIRECTED READING FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS****Short Title:** DIRECTED READING GRAD STUDENTS**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.**Course Level:** Graduate**Description:** Graduate level, independent reading course. Topics vary. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 504 - DIRECTED READING FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS****Short Title:** GR STUDENTS DIRECTED READING**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.**Course Level:** Graduate**Description:** Graduate level, independent reading course. Topics vary. Offered in the spring semester. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 510 - ADVANCED GREEK LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE****Short Title:** ADVANCED GREEK LANG. AND LIT.**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.**Course Level:** Graduate**Description:** Open to graduate students who have completed GREE 102 or higher. Translation, grammatical analysis, and literary criticism of ancient Greek texts. Because the assigned Greek texts vary from semester to semester, the course may be repeated for credit. Requirement beyond GREE 310: five additional reading assignments and one oral presentation. Graduate/Undergraduate Equivalency: GREE 310. Recommended Prerequisite(s): GREE 102 or equivalent Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for GREE 510 if student has credit for GREE 310. Repeatable for Credit.**GREE 677 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Modrn & Classicl Lit & Culture**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Laboratory, Lecture, Seminar, Independent Study, Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Visiting Graduate level students.**Course Level:** Graduate**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

## Description and Code Legend

**Note:** Internally, the university uses the following descriptions, codes, and abbreviations for this academic program. The following is a quick reference:

### Course Catalog/Schedule

- Course offerings/subject code for Greek: GREE

### Department Description and Code

- Modern and Classical Literatures and Cultures: MCLC

### Undergraduate Minor Description and Code

- Minor in Greek Language and Literature: GRLL

### CIP Code and Description <sup>1</sup>

- GRLL Minor: CIP Code/Title: 16.1202 - Ancient/Classical Greek Language and Literature

<sup>1</sup> Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) 2020 Codes and Descriptions from the National Center for Education Statistics: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/>.