Classical Studies

Why Ancient Greece and Rome?
Classical Studies touches upon almost every field of human inquiry. The Western cultural tradition begins with the achievements of the ancient Greeks and Romans in a wide range of fields, including politics, literature, art, historiography, and philosophy.

Ancient Language Courses
The program offers accelerated instruction in ancient Greek and Latin, both of which satisfy the foreign language requirement for Liberal Arts majors. Study of the classical languages is ideal preparation for a wide variety of postgraduate programs, including seminary, graduate school (in Classics and related fields), medical school, and law school.

Minor
Students may combine courses in various ways to comprise the following four minor options.

Option 1: Greek Language (20 hours, at least six of which must be 3000/4000 level). Required courses: GREEK 1441, 1442, 2313, 2314, and two upper-level courses (GREEK 4391, which may be repeated for credit when its topic changes).

Option 2: Latin Language (20 hours, at least six of which must be 3000/4000 level). Required courses: LATN 1441, 1442, 2313, 2314, and two upper-level courses (LATN 4335 or LATN 4391, also repeatable for credit with a change of topic).

Option 3: Classical Civilization (20 hours, at least six of which must be 3000/4000 level). Required courses: either GREEK 1441 and 1442 or LATN 1441 and 1442. The remaining twelve hours may be satisfied by any combination of the courses listed at the right, provided that they include six hours at the 3000/4000 level.

Option 4: Ancient Studies (18 hours, at least six of which must be 3000/4000 level). This option may be satisfied using any combination of the courses listed below, provided that they include six hours at the 3000/4000 level.

Courses
Classical Studies is an interdisciplinary program that exposes students to a variety of subjects taught by faculty from several different departments in the College of Liberal Arts. (For a list of courses being taught in any given semester, consult the program director, Dr. Charles Chiasson, chiasson@uta.edu.)

ANTH 2339 - Principles of Archaeology
2340 - Honors Principles of Archaeology
3355 - The Rise of Civilization
3356 - Topics in Archaeology
3370 - Archaeology of the Prehistoric Aegean
3371 - Archaeology of Greece
3372 - Archaeology of the Ancient Near East
3373 - Archaeology of Egypt

ART 3302 - Art of Antiquity
3316 - Ancient Egyptian and Near Eastern Art

CLAS 1300 - Introduction to Classical History
2300 - Hollywood Classics: The Ancient World in Film
2302 - The Classical Roots of English Vocabulary
2305 - Topics in Classical Civilization
2307 - Women in the Ancient World
3310 - Introduction to Greek Civilization
3320 - Introduction to Roman Civilization
3323 - Topics in Classical Mythology
3335 - Topics in Classical Studies
4391 - Conference Course
4394 - Senior Thesis

ENGL 3339 - Classical Backgrounds
3361 - History of World Literature I

GREEK 1441/1442 Level I-III
2313/2314 Level I-IV
4391 - Conference Course

HIST 3374 - Ancient Greece
3375 - Ancient Rome
3380 - History of Ancient Sport

LATN 1441/1442 Level I-II
2313/2314 Level I-IV
4335 - Topics in Latin Literature
4391 - Conference Course

PHIL 3301 - History of Philosophy: Ancient Philosophy
3302 - History of Philosophy: Roman and Medieval
POLS 4327 - Political Ideas of the Ancient World

The University Classics Club
The UTA Classics Club meets on the first Friday of every month during the Fall and Spring semesters to discuss issues pertaining to ancient Greece and Rome and their reception by post-Classical civilizations. The UCC also sponsors two annual events that take place each spring:

The Homerathon: a day-long oral recitation of Homer's epic, the Odyssey
Adventures in Antiquity: a lecture on a topic of general interest by a nationally prominent invited speaker

ETA SIGMA PHI: UTA is proud to have its own chapter (Zeta Rho) of Eta Sigma Phi, the national honors society for Greek, Latin, and Classical Studies. New members are initiated every spring!

Awards And Scholarships
Generous donations from the parents of our alumni fund two annual awards:

The Jack Thomas and Janice N. Holmes Scholarship provides funding for outstanding undergraduate students who are Classics minors.

The Douglas Britt Carvey Memorial Prize is awarded to the winner(s) of an essay competition (on a Classical topic) open to both undergraduate and graduate students.

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