Careers for Classics Majors & Minors

Using their skills as outstanding communicators and critical thinkers, our alumni succeed in diverse career paths. Employers value their ability to tackle complex challenges with advanced analytical skills and a collaborative approach. The issues our students analyze from ancient Rome and Greece are ones that societies and organizations continue to grapple with today. By engaging with these matters in a different era, our alumni see them from a new perspective, enabling them to envision innovative solutions. These same skills aid them in graduate and professional studies at some of the most prestigious programs in the nation.

Sample Alumni Job Titles
- Attorney
- Chief Technology Officer
- Editor
- Human Resources Manager
- Professor
- Program Manager
- Reference Librarian
- Software Engineer

Sample Alumni Employers
- Boeing
- Dell EMC
- Facebook
- Microsoft
- Olympia School District
- The Gannett Company
- U.S. District Court
- U.S. Department of State

Alumni Profiles

While some pursue graduate studies in Classics or related disciplines, most of our alumni choose other career paths. Alumni frequently comment to us about how much the study of Classics contributed to success in their various endeavors.

- There's a Job for That! - Take a quick quiz (only three questions!) to learn what College of Arts & Sciences alumni with similar interests have done since graduating.
- UW LinkedIn — See career trajectories of UW graduates who studied Classics, Classical Studies, Greek, and Latin, as well as other fields.
- Classics Alumni News

Career & Job Resources

University of Washington offers diverse resources to help students build the skills to launch their careers:

- C21: Center for 21st Century Liberal Learning — Offers immersive learning experiences, partnerships both on campus and in the community, and a network of mentors to help guide students in the College of Arts & Sciences on the pathway toward selecting a major and preparing for a career after college.
- Career & Internship Center — Educates and supports students as they explore and choose academic majors and career options, obtain and reflect upon career-related experiences, and develop professional presence and essential skills for workplace success.
Carlson Leadership & Public Service Center — Coordinates and connects students to community-based experiences in and around Seattle.

The Society for Classical Studies has also published two guides:

- **Careers for Classicists: Undergraduate Edition** (updated March 2020), by Adriana Brook (Lawrence University), Eric Dugdale (Gustavus Adolphus College), and John Gruber-Miller (Cornell College)
- **Careers for Classicists in Today's World** - Written by Kenneth F. Kitchell, a professor in the Department of Classics at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

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