Minors

Our department offers five minors for students to explore the languages and cultures of the ancient Greeks and Romans. Students who minor benefit from many of the same advantages as our majors, from being part of our inclusive community to developing a deep, informed perspective on civilizations that shape our present cultural, intellectual, professional, and civic lives. Many students find the skills they develop in critical thinking, creative and collaborative problem solving, and communication to be helpful complements to their majors in the STEM or professional fields.

Declaring a Minor in the Department of Classics

Students in good academic standing may declare the minor at any time by meeting with their major adviser. Please see Undergraduate Advising's Minor page for additional considerations about earning a minor.

Minor Requirements

Greek

The minor in Greek allows students to gain an in-depth knowledge of ancient Greek language, literature and civilization. Minors can take full advantage of the Classics department’s vibrant intellectual community and can, if they wish, participate in the department’s undergraduate seminar. Students minoring in Greek have access to our seminar room and are encouraged to study abroad. Our department makes every effort to work with students who wish to complete a minor.

Requirements: 25 credits in Greek and 5 credits chosen with departmental approval from classics in English, classical art and archaeology, ancient history, the history of ancient philosophy, and the history of ancient science. A minimum of 15 credits must be at the 300/400 level. See list of acceptable courses.

Latin

The minor in Latin allows students to gain an in-depth knowledge of the Latin language, and ancient Roman literature and civilization. Minors can take full advantage of the Classics department’s vibrant intellectual community and can, if they wish, take the department’s undergraduate seminar. Students minoring in Latin have access to the our seminar room and are encouraged to study abroad. Our department makes every effort to work with students who wish to complete a minor.

Requirements: 25 credits in Latin and 5 credits chosen with departmental approval from classics in English, classical art and archaeology, ancient history, the history of ancient philosophy, and the history of ancient science. A minimum of 15 credits must be at the 300/400 level. See list of acceptable courses.

Classical Studies

This minor allows students to explore the cultures, history, literatures and civilizations of ancient Greece and Rome from a variety of perspectives while participating in the Classics department’s vibrant intellectual community. Students minoring in Classical
Studies have access to our seminar room and are encouraged to study abroad. Our department makes every effort to work with students who wish to complete a minor.

**Requirements:** 25-30 credits chosen with departmental approval from classics in English, classical art and archaeology, ancient history, the history of ancient philosophy, the history of ancient science or up to 15 credits of Latin or Greek. Because a minimum of 15 credits must be at the 300/400 level, in some cases completion of the minor will require 30 credits. See [list of acceptable courses](#).

### Classics and Ancient History

This minor allows students to combine coursework in history with courses in Classical Studies and Classical Archaeology to explore the history of ancient Greece and Rome while participating in the Classics department’s vibrant intellectual community. Students minoring in Classics and Ancient History have access to our seminar room and are encouraged to study abroad. The minor in Classics and Ancient History is not available to students pursuing majors or other minors in the Classics department. Majors in the Classics department who have an abiding interest in ancient history are encouraged to obtain a full minor in History.

**Requirements:** 30 credits, at least 20 at the upper division level with a minimum of 15 of these upper division credits to be taken at the University of Washington. 100-level credit is not accepted. A minimum of 10 applicable credits is required in each department. Per course minimum grade of 2.0 is required.

Courses acceptable to the minor in Classics and Ancient History are: CLAS 210, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 329, 330, 335, 420, 424, 427, 428, 430, 432, 435, 445, 496 (except when topic is medieval); CL AR 340, 341, 342, 343, 442, 443, 446, 447, 448; GREEK all upper division courses except 300 and 301; LATIN all upper division courses except 300, 301, 401, and 402; HSTAM 205, 302, 312, 313, 314, 330, 335, 401, 402, 403, 420, 490 (when topic is ancient); HIST 320, HSTRY 498 (when the topic is ancient).

### Hellenic Studies

This minor allows students to explore the Greek world comprehensively, from antiquity to the present. Courses in classics, comparative literature, archaeology, history, art history, comparative religion, political science, and philosophy are combined to enable students to study both ancient and modern Greece in depth and from a variety of scholarly perspectives.

**Requirements:** 25 credits total, with 5 credits from approved history courses (see lists below), 10 credits from contemporary Greece (15 credits), and 10 credits of electives. Minimum of 15 credits must be at the 300-400 level.

**History (5 credits)** List of approved courses: HSTAM 111, 205, 231, 314, 315, 401, 402, 403, HSTEU 364/JSIS A 364

**Contemporary Greece (10 credits)** List of approved courses: JSIS A 239, 240, 320, 349, 364, JSIS B 312


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