

THE CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME

In Spring Quarter 2017, from March 27th to June 2nd, the Department of Classics is offering its Classical Seminar in Rome ('Classics in Rome' program) for ALL advanced undergraduates, regardless of major, and for Classics graduate students. The program of study, which was initiated in 1987, includes a course in Roman topography, a seminar, and additional coursework (such as in Greek or Latin for department majors or those simply studying those languages) or independent study as teaching resources permit, to fit the needs of individual students. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE NO PREREQUISITES FOR THIS PROGRAM.

THE CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME is conducted in the PALAZZO PIO, the University of Washington's facility in Rome. The PALAZZO PIO is located in the historic center of the city. This seventeenth-century structure sits on the foundations of the ancient theater of Pompey, which was built in 55 B.C. The Palazzo faces the Piazza del Biscione and Campo de' Fiori, where one of Rome's busiest open-air markets is situated. Since the mid-sixteen hundreds, the Palazzo has housed in succession a family church, an archaeological school, studios for artists, and a small theater. Renovations on the building began in the autumn of 1984. The PALAZZO PIO is equipped with classrooms and a library. In 1998 an additional floor was renovated to furnish apartments and added instructional space.

For students interested in Classics, ancient Rome, and classical archaeology, there is no better classroom than the city of Rome. This program takes full advantage of all that such a location offers. One of the most important aspects of this program is precisely our situation in the city itself: the students thus learn about ancient Roman topography by walking the streets of Rome and, in so doing, become familiar not merely with the ancient city but with the modern one as well. The topic of the seminar is deliberately formulated to link and coordinate with the topography class.

The regular courses in the program are:

ROMAN TOPOGRAPHY AND MONUMENTS: CLASSICS 465 / LATIN 465 (5)

The 2017 Roman Topography and Monuments seminar investigates the general topography, primary monuments, artistic and architectural styles, and building techniques of the ancient *urbs*. We shall focus on the city of Rome itself: on Mondays and Wednesdays we gather at 8:30am for approximately four-hour walking trips throughout the city. Starting with the historical and political core of the *Forum Romanum*, we slowly expand our scope, moving out into the *Campus Martius*, the area of the imperial *fora*, and the major monuments of the Aventine, Esquilene, and Quirinal hills. These morning walking tours are supplemented by MW afternoon classroom sessions in order to review the monuments we have visited and look ahead to what we will see next. Fridays feature all-day, out-of-town trips.

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SEMINAR ON HOUSES AND VILLAS OF ROMAN ITALY: CLASSICS 496 / LATIN 565 (5)

This year's seminar focuses on the houses and villas of Roman Italy. In addition to reading archaeological scholarship about these buildings, we will examine ancient texts (read in the original or in translation, depending on the abilities of the individual student) that deal with the organization, decoration, and uses of Roman and Campanian domestic spaces. Our aim is not simply to reconstruct domestic life in Rome, Pompeii, and the other cities we visit, but also to understand how domestic spaces, activities, and decoration operated within the Roman imagination. Grades will be based on class participation, a midterm, and a final exam. This seminar meets T and Th 4:00–5:20.

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TUTORIAL (3–5)

Individual work in Greek and Latin (or related studies) to fit the needs of individual students as teaching resources permit. This may include coursework in Latin or Greek, for those who wish it, or a Rome-centered course or independent study. *TAs*

FEES AND EXPENSES

The program fee for *all* participants in the CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME in Spring 2017 is \$5300. This fee essentially covers housing, admission fees, and other program-related expenses. Undergraduates are also responsible for a \$1715 Rome Center fee, which is paid in lieu of tuition (thus the *total* program fee is \$7,015), as well as IPE's \$325 concurrent enrollment fee.

In addition, students are responsible for and should include in their financial planning: airfare (this fluctuates and depends on a number of factors, but should cost \$1600–2000), food and daily expenses (allot about \$45 a day), and Study Abroad Insurance (currently \$62/month). What you spend depends in large part on your personal preferences and habits.

TUITION AND REGISTRATION

There are different registration procedures for undergraduates and graduate students participating in the program as Teaching Assistants:

1. UNDERGRADUATES will register through the Office of International Programs and Exchanges, which currently charges a concurrent enrollment fee of \$325. Undergraduates do *NOT* pay tuition; in lieu of tuition, undergraduates pay a Rome Center fee of \$1715.
2. GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE AS TEACHING ASSISTANTS. You will register for the Spring Quarter just as you normally do—you do *NOT* register or apply through IPE. Normal tuition waivers apply.

LIVING

Enrollment in the Classical Seminar in Rome is limited to a small number of students. Students normally share apartments in the Palazzo Pio or in the environs of the Pio. These apartments are fully furnished, including towels, linens, and all kitchen necessities. Any special housing expectations (e.g., married couples) are to be brought to the attention of the program director at the time of application. Students have found it economical to prepare most meals in common in the apartments, especially since eating out in Rome can be costly. Participants should keep in mind that living conditions in these apartments, although quite adequate, are not spacious. Respect for the sensitivities of those sharing the apartments is of the utmost importance if the group is to live and work in harmony.

STUDY AT THE PIO

The **topography** course usually entails two morning outings a week in the city of Rome. Within the ten weeks of the course, students will visit many major—and some minor—sites and monuments dating from the archaic to the late classical eras. On Fridays, the group normally travels outside the city to a variety of sites. In the past, these have included in various years the Appian Way, Ostia Antica, Palestrina, Tusculum, Lavinium, Lanuvium, Aricia, Cerveteri, Tarquinia, Norchia, Orvieto, Perugia, Assisi, Florence, Fiesole, Pisa, Cumae, Pompeii, Herculaneum, Sperlonga, Hadrian's villa at Tivoli, and Paestum. Sites selected vary from year to year, and unforeseeable factors (e.g., weather, availability of the site, program needs or emphases) are likely to cause changes in the announced schedule of visits.

The **seminar** has focused on a wide range of topics, all of which are specifically related to Roman topography, society, culture, or religion. These have included "Rome in Flavian Literature," "The Legends of Early Rome," "The Life and Times of Gaius Julius Caesar," "Augustan Age Rome," "The Age of Augustus," "A Spectacle in Itself: the Display of Roman Identity in Text and Art," "Locating Ovid in Ancient and Early (Modern) Rome," "Visualizing Victory: The Roman Triumph as Ritual, Text, and Art," "The Roman House," "There's No Space Like Rome," "Masters of the Game: Gladiators, Actors, and Charioteers in Ancient Rome," "Houses and Villas in Rome and Campania," and Food and Forum: Eating and Dining in Ancient Rome." This year the topic will be "Houses and Villas of Roman Italy." The seminar meets twice weekly.

INSURANCE

Participants **must carry health/accident insurance coverage**. Please note that this is distinct from and does not replace the required Italian student insurance, the cost of which is approximately \$50 and is included in the program fee. The University of Washington Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) was terminated on 19 September 2014, and students are being advised of various options under the “individual mandate” of the Affordable Care Act. Please see:

<http://www.washington.edu/ship/affordable-care/>

There is also a low-cost, UW Study Abroad Insurance Plan available to UW students. The UW Student Abroad Insurance Plan provides major medical as well as medical evacuation and repatriation benefits anywhere in the world for approximately \$62 per month. All formally admitted matriculated students at the University of Washington—Seattle, Bothell, and Tacoma campuses who are taking credit hours and who are temporarily engaged in educational activities outside the U. S. are eligible to enroll in this insurance plan. Students must be enrolled through the UW International Programs & Exchanges Office or equivalent foreign study programs at the School or College level. You cannot pay for this insurance plan through MyUW or charge it to your UW student account, and it will not be paid automatically by financial aid. For policy details and enrollment instructions, please visit:

<http://www.washington.edu/globalaffairs/insurance/>

Students accepted into the program must submit to IPE an insurance verification form indicating what form of insurance he or she will have. For full details, please consult the IPE website.

PHYSICIAN’S REPORT

Once accepted into the program, students must submit the “Physician’s Report” as part of the concurrent enrollment application. For students on concurrent enrollment this goes to the Office of International Programs and Exchanges. Other students should submit the form to the program director. This allows your physician to assess your ability to participate in the program and provides the directing faculty member with pertinent information about allergies, medications, and so forth. *Applicants should be aware that this program involves occasionally strenuous walking and moderately difficult terrain, and for that reason it is essential to check with your doctor before applying.*

FINANCIAL AID

Students who regularly receive financial aid at the UW maintain their eligibility while on this program. Students participating in the Classics in Rome Program may also be eligible for additional student loans. Application should be made at the Financial Aid Office, 105 Schmitz (543-6101).

Some possible sources of funding are:

1. (For undergraduates only) There are two kinds of “Go! Global” scholarships available for undergraduates, a GO! Scholarship and a Fritz Undergraduate Scholarship. Information and application materials for both may be found here:

<http://www.goglobal.washington.edu>

The DEADLINE for application for these scholarships is OCTOBER 25, 2016.

2. (For both undergraduate and graduate students) **Jim Greenfield Travel Bursaries** or **Classics Student Travel Scholarships**. Both undergraduates and graduate students may compete for funds to cover travel and related expenses. Undergraduates who wish to be considered for a Jim Greenfield Travel Bursary should simply CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX on the **Classical Seminar in Rome application form** included in this brochure; no additional or separate application is required. Graduate students should follow the standard procedures for applying for a Bursary outlined at:

<http://classics.washington.edu/jim-greenfield-graduate-travel-bursaries>

3. (For graduate students only) **The William P. and Ruth Gerberding Rome Studies Fellowship.** Details on this Fellowship are usually distributed late in the fall quarter; award amounts vary, though at a minimum typically cover travel expenses. Check with the Graduate Program Coordinator or directly with the Graduate School.

TRAVEL

Because of the highly unpredictable fluctuations in airfares and options, it is impossible to give an accurate estimate of travel costs for the trans-Atlantic flight. A reasonable *estimate*, however, is around \$1250–1500. Comparison shopping online (using, for instances, sites such as kayak.com) or consulting local travel agencies is the best way to find low air fares.

Please act quickly in booking and purchasing your ticket, since budget tickets are the first to become fully booked. Flight reservations should be made (at the latest) by the end of January, and tickets should be purchased by mid-March.

It is also **imperative that you apply for a passport** if you do not have one, or if your passport has expired. The Department must have students' passport numbers as soon as possible after enrollment in the program in order to obtain permissions from Italian authorities for admission to archaeological sites. Those students who do not have valid passports should therefore apply for them in early November. The passport information website is

http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

Since our program is less than 90 days, a student visa is not required. However, if you plan to stay longer than 90 days, depending on your travel plans, you may be required to obtain a visa. It will be your responsibility to determine if this is the case and make the necessary application (which you need to do well in advance of your departure).

ADMISSION TO PROGRAM AND ORIENTATION MEETINGS

It is the policy of the department to accept students into the Rome Seminar who are likely to contribute positively to the shared experience of the course through their regular participation in classes—which is required of each student enrolled in this program—both those in the Rome Center and those on site. Successful participation will demand a degree of flexibility, since unavoidable factors will at times cause re-scheduling of site visits and classes. It will also require the willingness and the ability to stay with a group since participants visit archaeological sites and museums together. All students enrolled in the Seminar are expected to devote their energies primarily to their program of study in Rome. At the discretion of the Department's Rome Program Committee, interviews may be required as part of the application process.

Orientation sessions will be held during Winter Quarter 2017 and **are required of all participants** except those who are not in residence but live outside the Seattle area. These sessions will provide background information on the city of Rome and procedural matters about participation in the program, as well as practical issues such as the appropriate clothing and personal items to take, directions from the Da Vinci airport to the PALAZZO PIO, the purchasing of tickets, and other travel details.

In addition to the departmental orientation, the Office of International Programs and Exchanges requires you complete their online orientation.

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER AND AUTUMN QUARTERS

Since registration for Autumn and Summer quarters takes place during Spring Quarter, you will need to register for them online while you are in Rome.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application procedures are different for undergraduates and graduate students participating in the program as TAs:

1. UNDERGRADUATES. Undergraduates will need to fill out the online application for this program available through the IPE website here:

http://studyabroad.washington.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=10995

Or go to *<http://studyabroad.washington.edu>*, follow the link for ‘Programs’, and search for Classics Seminar in Rome.

In addition, however, we ask that undergraduates fill out and submit the application form and Student Information Sheet included in this brochure *directly to Doug Machle, the Administrator in the Department of Classics* (Department of Classics, University of Washington, Box 353110, Seattle WA 98195-3110).

You are also required to secure and include with the forms you submit to the Department three sealed letters of recommendation. Recommendations from UW faculty or Teaching Assistants who have taught you are preferred. Questions about letters of recommendation may be sent to *clasdept@uw.edu*. You should give one of the recommendation forms included with this brochure to each of your three letter writers.

2. GRADUATE STUDENTS PARTICIPATING AS TAs are *not* required to submit a formal application. It is possible that IPE will require certain forms of you (e.g., insurance forms): you should check with the program director about this.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 21, 2016



Palazzo Pio

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APPLICATION FOR THE CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME SPRING QUARTER 2017

Date _____ Birthdate _____

Name _____ Email _____

UW Student Number _____

Current Address _____

Current Phone _____

Passport Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Permanent Address _____

Name/Address/Phone of local contact person while abroad:

Are you receiving any kind of loans or aid at this time (e.g. financial aid, scholarships, veterans' benefits, social security)? Please list:

Student Status

- I am currently a registered student at the University of Washington.
 Undergraduate Graduate Fifth year
 Matriculated Non-matriculated University Extension
- I was last registered at the University of Washington in _____ Qtr./Yr.
 I have never been enrolled at the University of Washington.
 I intend to apply for admission to the UW for _____ Qtr./Yr.
 I would like to be considered for a Jim Greenfield Travel Bursary.

List all institutions you have attended (starting with the most recent):

University or College	Location	Dates	Degree
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Attach a copy of your transcript, unless you are a major or graduate student in the University of Washington Classics Department.

List the names of three faculty members who are submitting recommendations for you.

Name

Position

I, the undersigned, understand that the information provided in this letter of recommendation will remain confidential and hereby waive any and all rights of access to this letter I might have under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, or other related laws, regulations, or policies. I understand that this waiver is not required by the University of Washington as a condition of admission to or receipt of any other service or benefit from the University of Washington or the Classics Department

Signature of Applicant

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