INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The Classical Civilizations major gives students a unique opportunity to explore Graeco-Roman antiquity in company with a small but diverse cohort of undergraduates and under the guidance of professors known both for cutting-edge scholarship and for their dedication to undergraduate teaching. The major is interdisciplinary and flexible, with four areas of concentration to choose from. Within this framework, students develop their own personalized program of study in close consultation with our administrative and faculty advisers.

STUDY OPTIONS IN CLASSICS

The motto of Berkeley Classics is “New Insights into an Ancient World.” Our classes invite you to discard your preconceptions and see the ancient world afresh.

- Minor in Classics or an ancient language—we offer the same level of advising and support.
- Many students studying Pre-Med or Law find Classics courses great prep for future study.
- Funding is available for summer fieldwork and research for students pursuing study of the classical world.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Participate in archaeological field work with a Classics professor.
- Learn research techniques by assisting a professor through a URAP position.
- Achieve a broader perspective on Classics through study abroad.
- Expand your knowledge of a Classical subject by pursuing honors in Classics.
- Publish your work in the Berkeley Undergraduate Journal of Classics.

CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day
Come to Berkeley’s annual Open House in April. We host a Classics information table with current students and faculty. There is a Classics presentation as well.

Golden Bear Orientation
Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley orientation program for all new students. Attend a Classics event to learn and explore the major.

Events
The Classics Department has special events and lectures throughout the year. Check out classics.berkeley.edu to find out the latest. You can sign up for our mailing list to be notified.

ADVISING

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- Phone: (510) 642-3672

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

”Classics courses push you to explore, be creative, and interpret … Also, they have the best professors.”

– Jake Quinn, Classics Student
**CLASSICAL CIVILIZATIONS**

**Bachelor of Arts**

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**FIRST YEAR**

**Explore your major**
- Take a Freshman Seminar with a Classics professor.
- Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans.
- Enroll in CLASSICS 10A or 10B (Greek or Roman civilization) or CLASSICS 17A or 17B (Greek or Roman archaeology).

**Connect and build community**
- Get 11 mentoring from graduate students with Berkeley Connect and L&S Mentors Program.
- Sign up for the Classics email list and start attending department events.
- Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at the Student Learning Center.

**Discover your passions**
- Visit a professor or graduate student instructor during office hours. Discuss assignments and ask about studying the Graeco-Roman world.
- Read the Berkeley Undergraduate Journal of Classics.
- Start Greek or Latin with elementary courses.

**Engage locally and globally**
- Visit Student Life Advising Services and sign up for EOP (if eligible).
- Explore and join a campus club or student organization related to your community or hobbies.
- Discover new interests in a student-run DeCal course.

**Reflect and plan your future**
- Visit the Career Center and Career Counseling Library.
- Talk to the Classics Major Advisor about careers for Classics degree holders.
- Apply for a work-study position and learn about working at a university.

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**SECOND YEAR**

**Explore your major**
- Complete Classics prerequisites and declare the major.
- Take an upper division class, e.g. “The History of Hell,” “The Roman Economy,” or “History of Sexualities.”
- Explore options for a semester abroad with Berkeley Study Abroad.

**Connect and build community**
- Join the Classical Forum (Berkeley undergraduate students interested in Classics).
- Get involved with the Berkeley Undergrad Journal of Classics.
- Explore resources from the Classics department.
- Attend the Sather Lecture series.

**Discover your passions**
- Continue exploring with a Sophomore Seminar. Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course.
- Do a URAP archiving ancient papyri at the Center for the Tebtunis Papyri.
- Build your research skills in HUM W25: Research Bootcamp.

**Engage locally and globally**
- Contribute to a community organization with an American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course.
- Go on a service-learning trip with the Alternative Breaks Program.
- Find service opportunities through the Public Service Center.

**Reflect and plan your future**
- Meet with a Career Center counselor to discuss your career options and goals.
- Learn about graduate and professional school. See Step-by-Step for planning help.
- Attend an Internship Fair or discover other ways to find one for summer.

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**THIRD YEAR**

**Explore your major**
- Review your degree progress with your major and college advisor.
- Ask your major advisor about the Classics honors program.
- Begin preparing for archaeological summer field school in Nemea or Rome.

**Connect and build community**
- Work with peers and graduate students in HUM 196: Mentored-Research and Discovery Groups.
- Join the Society for Classical Studies.
- Participate in the Women in Classics group organized by women in the Classics graduate program.

**Discover your passions**
- Planning a senior thesis or project? Apply to the Haas Scholars Program or SURF.
- Consider submitting your work to the Berkeley Undergraduate Journal of Classics.
- Attend the AHMA Annual Pritchett Lecture.

**Engage locally and globally**
- Volunteer to represent the Department of Classics at an event.
- Study and intern in Washington D.C. with UCDC or Cal in the Capital.
- Apply for a department travel award to support study, travel, or excavation abroad.

**Reflect and plan your future**
- Discuss graduate school options with advisors and professors.
- Sign up for LinkedIn and join the UCB Classics LinkedIn Group.
- Attend career and graduate school fairs.
- Shadow alumni during a winter externship.

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**FOURTH YEAR**

**Explore your major**
- Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate.
- Complete any “bucket list” courses.
- Finish remaining major, college, and campus requirements.
- Complement your major with a certificate, course thread, or summer minor.

**Connect and build community**
- Get support for your thesis project in the Townsend Honors Thesis Workshop.
- Become an editor of the Berkeley Undergraduate Journal of Classics.
- Connect with alumni groups and build your network as you prepare to graduate.

**Discover your passions**
- Teach a Classics DeCal course.
- Undertake an optional honors thesis or independent study.
- Keep pursuing your interests through a fellowship or gap year after graduation.

**Engage locally and globally**
- Hone your leadership skills with the Peter E. Haas Public Service Leaders program.
- Explore service opportunities after graduation, such as Peace Corps, Teach for America, or U.S. Department of State.

**Reflect and plan your future**
- Attend Job Search Essentials workshops.
- Ask professors and graduate student instructors for recommendation letters.
- Meet employers at Employer Info Sessions and On-Campus Recruiting.
- Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other opportunities.

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**WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?**

**Jobs and Employers**
- Art Institute of Chicago, Asst. Curator AV Squad, Editor
- Behavior Edu. Svcs Team, Clinical Sup.
- Cartoon Network, Mgr. of Dev.
- Centers for Disease Control, Fellow
- Charles Schwab, Senior Specialist
- Debbie and Touche, Tax Consultant
- Dept. of Veterans Affairs, NP
- Far Western Anthro, Archaeologist
- Doc. Tracking Svcs., Dir. of Translation
- J. Paul Getty Museum, Curatorial Asst.
- KW-Commerce GmbH, Content Mgr.
- LA Kings, Director, Hockey Admin.
- Law Off. of K. Peterson, Principal Atty.
- LADWP, Electrical Engineering Assoc.
- National Geographic, Dir. of Dc的价值
- Pacific Boychoir Acad., Latin Teacher
- Pixar, Systems Analyst
- SF Art Conservation, Conservator
- The Nielsen Company, Sr. Analyst
- UCLA, Graduate Teaching Fellow
- ZBiotics, CEO

**Graduate Programs**
- Art and Archea., PhD, Columbia Univ.
- Classics, PhD, UCSB
- Philosophy, PhD, UCLA
- Philosophy, PhD, Brown Univ.

**Examples gathered from the Career Destinations Survey of recent Berkeley graduates and Department of Classics Alumni Records.**

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