CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION (HBA)
Department of Historical Studies

Classical Civilization is the study of the cultures of the Ancient Mediterranean, and in particular the cultures of the Greek and Roman worlds. The study of literatures, classical languages, art, material culture, philosophy, political thought and history, as well as how all of these things are received in later periods, offers an ideal insight into the development of many societies of the modern world, providing an indispensable access to many Humanities subjects. Doing Classics means studying fascinating material in its historical contexts, and asking broad social and political questions that can give an insight into the challenges of our current society.

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME AT UTM!

We want to help you maximize your university experience, so we’ve pulled together information and interesting suggestions to get you started, although there are many more! As you review the chart on the inside pages, note that many of the suggestions need not be restricted to the year they are mentioned. In fact, activities such as joining an academic society, engaging with faculty and seeking opportunities to gain experience should occur in each year of your study at UTM. Read through the chart and create your own plan using My Program Plan found at www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans

Programs of Study (POSt)

- Major Program ERMAJ0382 Classical Civilization (Arts)
- Minor Program ERMIN0382 Classical Civilization (Arts)

Check out...

How are the culture, society, and beliefs of ancient Greeks and Romans and their neighbours still meaningful for us? Explore the relevance and diversity of the Greek and Roman worlds in CLA308H5: Greek Religion, CLA362H5: Alexander the Great and the Hellenistic World, and CLA404H55: Alexandria - Queen of the Mediterranean. Check out undergraduate research.

What can I do with my degree?

The career you choose will depend on your experience and interests. Visit the Career Centre to explore your career options.

Careers for graduates: Acquisitions editor; Archivist; Cultural administrator; Documentarian; Financial analyst; Foreign service officer; Historian; Historical heritage preservationist; Librarian; Museum technician; Post-secondary education administrator; Social policy researcher.

Workplaces: Archives; Financial services; Galleries; Government; Legal agencies; Museums; Newspapers and magazines; Non-profit agencies; Publishing houses; Service industry; Tourism.
# Classical Civilization Major Program Plan

## 1st Year

**Enrol in 1.0 credits from courses CLA101H5, CLA230H5, CLA231H5, CLA233H5 and CLA237H5.**

Choose a program of study (Subject POS) once you complete 4.0 credits. Use the Degree Explorer and the Academic Calendar to plan your degree.

Develop foundational academic skills and strategies by enrolling in a atmONE course. Build community and gain academic support through LAUNCH. Join a RGASC Peer Facilitated Study Group.

**Use the Co-Curricular Record (CCR).** Search for opportunities beyond the classroom, and track of your accomplishments.

Attend the Get Hired Fair through the Career Centre (CC) to learn about on- and off-campus work and volunteer opportunities.

Attend the Experiential Education Fair.

**Networking simply means talking to people and developing relationships with them.** Start by joining the Historical Studies Society (HSS). Go to the HSS Meet & Greet to meet professors and fellow students.

Visit the UTM Library Reference Desk.

## 2nd Year

For second year and higher, enrol in 6.0 additional CLA credits at the 200+ level, including at least 4.0 credits at the 300+ level.

Consider applying for Research Opportunity Program (ROP) courses CLA299Y5, CLA399Y5 and CLA499Y5. Visit the EEU website for ROP Course Prerequisites. Attend the RGASC’s Program for Accessing Research Training (P.A.R.T.) to enhance your research skills.

**Use the Career & Co-Curricular Learning Network (CLN)’s** to find postings for on- and off-campus work and volunteer opportunities.

Work on-campus through the Work-Study program. View position descriptions on the CLNs.

## 3rd Year

Remember to attain at least 4.0 credits at the 300+ level.

Throughout your undergraduate degree:

- **use the Degree Explorer to ensure you complete your degree and program requirements.**
- **see the Office of the Registrar and the Historical Studies Academic Advisor.**

Explore your interests. Are you into promoting mindfulness and building community? Investigate the UTM Library Ambassador Program. Sharpen your problem solving and design skills by getting involved in a Social Innovation Project through the Centre for Student Engagement.

**Establish a professional presence on social media (e.g., LinkedIn).**

Get published in Prandium: The Journal of Historical Studies at UTM or consider publishing in Piebatsia, the Journal of the Classics Students’ Union.

**Earn credits overseas!** Apply to study for a summer, term or year at one of 140+ universities. Speak to the IEC for details about Course Based Exchange, funding and travel safety.

What’s your next step after undergrad?


Considering further education? Research application requirements, prepare for admission tests (LSAT, GMAT) and research funding opportunities (OGS, SSHRC).

## 4th or Final Year

Initiate your own reading and research project. Apply for an Independent Reading course such as CLA497H5 and CLA499H5. Speak to the Historical Studies Academic Advisor.

**Skills are transferrable to any job regardless of where you develop them.** Need to strengthen your presentation skills? Consider taking ED532H5 which allows you to earn a course credit in addition to a placement opportunity as a RGASC Facilitated Study Group Leader.

**Learn about working abroad.** Read up on worldwide employment trends and industry outlooks through GoinGlobal. Attend the Go Global Expo. See if you are eligible for International Experience Canada.

Market your skills to employers. Get your resume critiqued at the CC. Attend the CC workshop Now That I’m Graduating What’s Next?

Write a strong application for further education. Attend the CC’s Mastering the Personal Statement workshop.

Ready to transition from the classroom to the workplace? Check out the Recent Graduate Opportunities Program.

## How to Use This Program Plan

Read through each year. Investigate what appeals to you here and in any other Program Plans that apply to you.

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Update your plan yearly.

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*Consult the Academic Calendar for greater detail on course requirements, program notes and degree requirements.

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Skills developed in Classical Civilization

To be competitive in the job market, it is essential that you can explain your skills to an employer. Visit the Career Centre to learn how to articulate and market the following skills:

Communication and Networking: learn to communicate complex data in presentations through networks to wider communities; collaborate and debate with diverse groups and individuals to determine the validity of sources and understand the historical context of decision-making; strengthen writing skills in multiple writing genres.

Problem-solving: evaluate past and current records through problem-based learning to assess the nature of institutions.

Creative Thinking and Leadership: learn content localization by working with qualitative and quantitative data in texts, reports, and materials; create exhibits.

Research: locate and connect diverse forms of evidence through research projects, internships, and work experiences; learn translation and field research skills, and frame new perspectives in writing and peer teaching.

Get involved

Check out the 100+ student organizations on campus. Here are a few:

- Historical Studies Society (HSS)
- UTM Student Union (UTMSU)
- UTM Athletics Council (UTMAC)

For a listing of clubs on campus visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/clubs.

Services that support you

- Accessibility Services (AS)
- Career Centre (CC)
- Centre for Student Engagement (CSE)
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Office (EDIO)
- Experiential Education Unit (EEU)
- Health & Counselling Centre (HCC)
- Indigenous Centre (IC)
- International Education Centre (IEC)
- Office of the Registrar (OR)
- Recreation, Athletics and Wellness Centre (RAWC)
- Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre (RGASC)
- UTM Library, Hazel McCallion Academic Learning Centre (HMALC)

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FUTURE STUDENTS

Admission to UTM

All program areas require an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, or equivalent, with six Grade 12 U/M courses, or equivalent, including English. The admission average is calculated with English plus the next best five courses. The approximate average required for admission is mid- to high-70s. More information is available at utm.utoronto.ca/viewbook.

NOTE: During the application process, applicants will select the Humanities admissions category, but will not officially be admitted to a formal program of study (Specialist, Major, and/or Minor) until after first year.

Sneak Peek

Hercules who? Take CLA204H5 and learn about the myths and legends of the Ancient Greek and Roman Mediterranean world in ancient art and literature. Women's rights? Enroll in CLA319H5 to learn about ancient women’s sexuality and socialization; their economic, religious, and political roles; and how their productive role in the arts is presented. What about reading Homer and Plato, Caesar and Vergil in the original language? Acquire the skills to read ancient literature in the original Greek and Latin through courses offered in collaboration with Language Studies.

The UTM Classical Civilization program is unique as it focuses not only on Greece and Rome but also on regions these cultures were in contact with, such as Egypt and the Ancient Near East, allowing students to study cultural contacts and cultural change, as well as their contemporary relevance. Courses in Classics thus present solid grounding in material that is indispensable for the understanding of many other Humanities subjects and current social and political debates.

Our program provides training in knowledge-based, skills-based, and mindset-based outcomes, such as close reading; writing; analytical thinking; and the formulation of arguments, which you learn to hone and defend. All of this not only makes learning about the ancient world fun, but also offers a crucial foundation for discussing critical issues such as racism, equity, economy, and the environment.

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