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, 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.

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 (POSs)

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

Check out...

What power did women hold in ancient Greece and Rome? Enroll in CLA319H5 to learn about ancient women’s sexuality and socialization; their economic, religious, and political roles; and their creative production in the arts. What did people in the Roman world believe in? Undertake an in-depth study of religious cults and forms of worship in the Roman empire in CLA310H5.

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; Documentarian; Financial analyst; Foreign service officer; Historian; Librarian; Museum technician; Post-secondary education administrator; Social policy researcher.

Workplaces: Financial services; Government; Legal agencies; Museums; Publishing houses; Newspapers and magazines; Non-profit agencies; Service industry.
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**MAJOR Program Plan**

**1ST YEAR**
- Enroll in 1.0 credits from courses CLA101H5, 230H5, 231H5, 233H5 and 237H5.
- Choose a program of study (Subject POS) once you complete 4.0 credits. Use the Degree Explorer Planner and the Academic Calendar to plan your degree.
- Start strong and get informed with uOne and LAUNCH through the Centre for Student Engagement (CSE). Join a RGASC Peer Facilitated Study Group.
- 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.
- Attend the Get Experience Fair through the Career Centre (CC) to learn about on- and off-campus opportunities.
- Attend events held by the International Education Centre (IEC), whether you are an international or domestic student. Explore different cultures through food, music, and sport or through sight-seeing around the GTA.

**2ND YEAR**
- For second year and higher, enroll 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, CLA399Y and CLA499Y. 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.
- Do you have a professor you really like or connect with? Ask them a question during office hours. Discuss an assignment. Go over lecture material. Don’t be shy! Learn Tips On How to Approach a Professor.
- Embark on a UTM Abroad Experience through the IEC. Take advantage of this opportunity to travel as part of a class, or a co-curricular opportunity, and learn about a topic of interest in a unique location.

**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 Counsellor.
- Establish a professional presence on social media (e.g., LinkedIn).
- Earn credits overseas! Study for a summer, term or year at one of 120 universities. Talk to the IEC’s Global Mobility Coordinator about Course Based Exchange and find which schools and courses are the best fit for you.
- What’s your next step after undergrad?

**4TH OR FINAL YEAR**
- Initiate your own reading and research project. Apply for an Independent Reading course such as CLA497H5 and CLA499H5.
- 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.
- Market your skills to employers. Get your resume critiqued at the CC. Attend the CC workshop Now That I’m Graduating What’s Next?
- Why not work 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.

**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.
Visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans to create your own plan using My Program Plan.
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: understand cultures and their development as it applies to communities/groups of people; understand cultural diversity; formulate and defend positions; both verbally and in writing; mediate in disputes and conflicts; listen objectively; and adapt in cross-cultural setting.

Problem-solving: cultivate decision-making; reason logically; and think critically.

Organizational: apply theoretical knowledge in practical settings (e.g., via internships).

Research: develop attention to detail; examine evidence; evaluate ideas and research; gather information and data; and interpret research and data.

Services that support you

- Accessibility Services (AS)
- Career Centre (CC)
- Centre for Student Engagement (CSE)
- 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)

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.

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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.

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 Middle East, allowing students to study cultural contacts and cultural change. Courses in Classics thus present solid grounding in material that is indispensable for the understanding of many other Humanities subjects and society in general.

Our program provides training in core skills, such as close reading, analytical thinking, and the formulation of strong arguments. All of this not only makes learning about the ancient world fun, but also offers a crucial foundation for the study of any other subject, and for any professional career.

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