

Classics Department (Greek, Latin)

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Description

The civilization and cultural achievements of ancient Greece and Rome continue to influence our values, the way we think, and the questions we ask. They represent some of our deepest cultural roots and stand at the core of a liberal arts education. The Department of Classics offers students an opportunity to study the languages, literature, culture, and influence of classical antiquity. General courses include such topics as classical mythology, law, religion, women in antiquity, and Greek and Roman literature in translation. Most of these courses have no prerequisites, and several fulfill Emory College General Education Requirements. For students interested in Greek or Latin, language instruction is offered at all levels, from elementary to advanced, both in a classroom setting and in individualized instruction. The department offers several majors and two minors as well as joint majors with other departments. Students interested in integrating the study of Greece and Rome with other Mediterranean Civilizations are encouraged to consult the Program in Ancient Mediterranean Studies in which the Department of Classics is an active participant.

Concentrations

Majors are offered in the area(s) of: **Classics; Classics and English; Classics and History; Classics and Philosophy; Classical Civilization; Religion and Classical Civilization; Greek; Latin**. For details, see the Major page for each area. Minors are offered in the area(s) of: **Classical Civilization; Greek; Latin**. For details, see the Minor page for each area.

Faculty

Chair/Director: Peter Bing
Director of Undergraduate Studies: Katrina Dickson

Core Faculty

Peter Bing; Sandra Blakely; R Branham; Katrina Dickson; Hilary Gopnik; Philippa Lang; Barbara Lawatsch-Melton; Jonathan Master; Christine Perkell; Louise Pratt; Niall Slater; Garth Tissol; Eric Varner

Associated Faculty

Meggan Arp; Thomas Burns; Kevin Corrigan; Cynthia Patterson; Richard Patterson; Rosemary Robins; Bonna Wescoat

Emeriti Faculty

Herbert Benario; David Bright

Courses

Core Subjects

This department offers courses in the following subject(s): **Classics, Greek, Latin**. For a list of specific courses in each subject area, see the course descriptions page for that subject.

Programs

Honors Program

Outstanding students in Greek and Latin are eligible for membership in Eta Sigma Phi, the national honorary classical society.

Graduates of Emory may attend the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Greece, and are eligible to compete for the fellowships offered annually by the school. A similar connection exists with the American Academy in Rome.

Students eligible for the Emory College Honors Program should consult the departmental honors coordinator.

Study Abroad

The department encourages its students to study abroad through the numerous Emory programs that include a strong Classics component.

Advising

Upon declaration of a major or minor all students are assigned an advisor in the department. Students who have not yet declared a major or minor are welcome to consult the Director of Undergraduate Studies or any other member of the department.

Language Study

Language study required for majors and minors in the department varies and can be found under the descriptions for individual majors and minors.

Awards and Honors

The department awards prizes annually to its top students in the ancient languages.