

# CLASSICS

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Classics program at Hellenic College is to train young scholars in the languages, literatures, and civilizations of Ancient Greece and Rome while also preparing them for graduate degrees and, ultimately, careers in the humanities, teaching, theology, and law. The Classics curriculum at Hellenic College combines a rigorous ancient Greek language program with courses on the literature and culture of ancient Greece, Latin language, and Roman civilization (through cross-registration with Boston College).

It also offers to its students the opportunity to study classics in Greece through the College Year in Athens program. Through program courses and activities, Classics majors at Hellenic College will develop advanced-level proficiency and translation skills in ancient Greek as well as the ability to engage critically and creatively with a variety of literary and non-literary ancient Greek texts. As a result, they will be able to identify and analyze the classical roots of Western civilization.

## *Classics Program Goals*

During their course of study:

1. Students will demonstrate advanced proficiency in Classical Greek and advanced knowledge of ancient Greek civilization.
2. Students will demonstrate intermediate proficiency in Latin and intermediate knowledge of Roman civilization.
3. Students will read and analyze texts critically and creatively, applying the methodology of classical philology and the principles of literary theory and literary criticism.
4. Students will identify and analyze the classical roots of Western civilization.

## *Program Learning Outcomes*

Students of the Classics program will:

1. Demonstrate strong translation skills in Classical Greek (ten courses in Greek language and literature, plus electives).
2. Demonstrate intermediate translation skills in Latin (four courses in Latin language and literature, plus electives).

3. Apply their ability to read critically and creatively to a variety of texts, including ancient Greek and Roman literature (four Classics electives, 6-credit capstone project).
4. Engage in academic discourses that connect contemporary cultural contexts to Ancient Greek and Roman history (four Classics electives).

*Classics Course Requirements*

The Rise & Fall of Athens	<i>3 cr.</i>
Beginning Ancient Greek I	<i>3 cr.</i>
Beginning Ancient Greek II	<i>3 cr.</i>
Readings in Ancient Greek Drama	<i>3 cr.</i>
Readings in Ancient Greek Prose	<i>3 cr.</i>
Greek Lyric Poetry	<i>3 cr.</i>
Epic Poetry	<i>3 cr.</i>
Beginning Latin	<i>3 cr.</i>
Intermediate Latin	<i>3 cr.</i>
Readings in Latin Prose	<i>3 cr.</i>
Intro to Latin Poetry	<i>3 cr.</i>
Classics Elective	<i>3 cr.</i>
Thesis Proseminar	<i>3 cr.</i>
Classics Senior Thesis	<i>6 cr.</i>

*Total Credits: 45*

### *Minor in Classics, Ancient Greek, & Classical Civilizations*

Students in other programs of Hellenic College may choose to minor in **Classics, Ancient Greek, or Classical Civilizations**. Per the academic policies of Hellenic College, students may not use courses already taken in fulfillment Hellenic College Core requirements toward the minor requirement. Students pursuing a minor in Classics are required to complete a sequence of 15 credits of work selected from courses offered in the program.

### *Program Learning Outcomes*

#### **Minor in Classics**

- Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of Greek literary genres.
- Have a general command of ancient Greek history and culture at the intermediate level and an elementary knowledge of Roman civilization.

#### **Minor in Ancient Greek Language**

- Demonstrate intermediate skills translating ancient Greek into English and beginning skills translating English to ancient Greek.
- Apply understanding of grammar and syntax to the study of languages and to sight translation of a variety of ancient Greek texts.

#### **Minor in Classical Civilizations**

- Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of ancient Greek literary genres, history, and culture at the introductory level.
- Demonstrate elementary knowledge of Roman civilization.

*Course Requirements for Minors*

**Minor in Classics**

Five Classics courses 15 cr.

**Minor in Ancient Greek Language**

Beginning Ancient Greek I 3 cr.

Beginning Ancient Greek II 3 cr.

Readings in Ancient Greek Prose I 3 cr.

Epic Poetry 3 cr.

Readings in Ancient Greek Prose II 3 cr.

*Substituting courses with New Testament Greek or Patristic Greek is also acceptable.*

**Minor in Classical Civilizations**

The World of Greek Heroes 3 cr.

The Rise and Fall of Athens 3 cr.

Epic Poetry or Greek Lyric Poetry 3 cr.

Readings in Ancient Greek Drama 3 cr.

Roman Civilization 3 cr.

## *Bachelor of Arts in Classics Program Map*

### Semester I (Fall)

#### **Freshman Year**

Ancient World to the	
Conversion of Constantine	3 cr.
Intro. to Orthodoxy	3 cr.
World of Greek Heroes	3 cr.
Great Concert Halls of Boston	3 cr.
Composition and Style	3 cr.
Research & Executive Management	1.5 cr.

Total: 16.5 cr.

### Semester II (Spring)

#### **Freshman Year**

Byzantium, Holy Russia,	
and the Medieval World	3 cr.
Discovering Christ in the Scriptures	3 cr.
Mathematics for Acct. & Finance	3 cr.
The Museums of Boston	3 cr.
Analysis of Literature	3 cr.
<i>Spring break: Service trip with Dean</i>	0 cr.

Total: 15 cr.

### Summer I

Kallinikeion Modern Greek	6 cr.
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### Semester III (Fall)

#### **Sophomore Year**

Intro. to Psychology	3 cr.
Doctrine and Devotion:	
the Mother of God	3 cr.
From Socrates to Augustine	3 cr.
Literature of Vocation	3 cr.
World Religions in Boston	3 cr.

Total: 15 cr.

### Semester IV (Spring)

#### **Sophomore Year**

The Struggle for Identity	
in the Modern Age	3 cr.
The Natural World	3 cr.
Literature/Business Elective	3 cr.
Classics Elective	3 cr.
Community Engagement	3 cr.
Service Immersion	1.5 cr.

Total: 16.5 cr.

### Semester V (Fall)

#### **Junior Year**

The Rise & Fall of Athens	3 cr.
Readings in Ancient Greek Drama	3 cr.
Beginning Ancient Greek I	3 cr.
General Elective	3 cr.
Beginning Latin	3 cr.
Proseminar: Summer internship	0 cr.

Total: 15 cr.

### Semester VI (Spring)

#### **Junior Year**

Classics Elective	3 cr.
Beginning Ancient Greek II	3 cr.
General Elective	3 cr.
Intermediate Latin	3 cr.

Total: 12 cr.

### Semester VII (Fall)

#### **Senior Year**

General Elective	3 cr.
Readings in Ancient Greek Prose	3 cr.
Greek Lyric Poetry	3 cr.
Readings in Latin Prose	3 cr.
Thesis Proseminar	3 cr.

Total: 15 cr.

### Semester VIII (Spring)

#### **Senior Year**

Epic Poetry	3 cr.
Intro to Latin Poetry	3 cr.
Classics Senior Thesis	6 cr.

Total: 12 cr.

**Total Credits: 123**

# GREEK STUDIES

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Greek Studies program is to introduce students to the many aspects of Greek language and culture and to provide a special service to students of Religious Studies at the College and the School of Theology. The wide range of courses offered, all levels of Greek, and the minors (see below) allow students to get fully immersed in the richness of Greek history, literature, and civilization. Additionally, the program offers a Certificate in Teaching Modern Greek to students interested in teaching at Greek day or afternoon schools in the Greek Archdiocesan School System.

## **Byzantine or Modern Greek Studies Minor**

Students in other programs of Hellenic College may choose to minor in Byzantine or Modern Greek Studies. Per the academic policies of Hellenic College, students may not use courses already taken in fulfillment of Hellenic College Core Requirements toward the minor requirement. Students pursuing a minor in Byzantine or Modern Greek Studies are required to complete a sequence of 15 credits of work selected from courses offered in the program.

## *Greek Studies Program Goals*

During their course of study, students will:

- Demonstrate proficiency in Modern Greek.
- Demonstrate wide knowledge of Greek history and culture.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the significant contributions of the Greeks to Western civilization.
- Identify and explain important dates and events that serve as landmarks of Greek history and culture.

*Program Learning Outcomes*

**Minor in Byzantine Studies**

- Demonstrate a deep knowledge of Byzantine history and culture.
- Have a good understanding of Byzantine music and Byzantine art.
- Apply above knowledge in analyzing current events and offer cogent critique and comments.

**Minor in Modern Greek Studies**

- Demonstrate knowledge of Modern Greek language at the Advanced-High (or higher) sublevel by ACTFL proficiency guidelines.
- Demonstrate a deep knowledge of Modern Greek literature, history, and culture.
- Demonstrate advanced skills translating English into Modern Greek and superior skills translating Greek into English.

*Byzantine or Modern Greek Studies Minor Course Requirements*

**Minor in Byzantine Studies**

Byzantine History	3 cr.
Byzantine Art and Architecture	3 cr.
History of Byzantine Music	3 cr.
2 courses in a general field of Roman or Byzantine civilization <i>(subject to department approval)</i>	6 cr.

**Minor in Modern Greek Studies**

Advanced Modern Greek I	3 cr.
Advanced Modern Greek II	3 cr.
History of Modern Hellenism, or History of Modern Greece Readings in Modern Greek Literature, <i>or</i>	3 cr.
Greek Translation Seminar	3 cr.
Greek American Experience, or European Intellectual History	3 cr.