

Classical Civilizations (A.B.)

Languages and Literatures Track

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Recommended First Quarter Schedule

Course	Units
Latin or Greek Language course (LAT or GRK 1)*	5
Entry Level Writing Course (ELWR)^ or Lower Division College English Composition	4-4.5
CLA 1, 2, 3, or 4^	4
GE Course** or First Year Seminar	1-3
Total Units:	14 - 16

Alternative Courses

*Language course dependent upon placement exam results and/or AP/IB credits. LAT/GRK 2 and 3 are offered in the Winter and Spring quarters, respectively.
**Classics and Latin/Greek courses will give sufficient Arts and Humanities GE credit, so students may want to consider fulfilling Social Science or Science & Engineering GEs.
^ Students should not take GE or major courses with Writing Experience (WE) until ELWR is satisfied.
Explore First Year Seminars: https://fys.ucdavis.edu/

First Quarter Schedule Notes:

- Do not enroll in upper division CLA, LAT, or GRK courses (upper division courses are numbered 100 or above) unless you speak with the major advisor first.

Placement Exams

Recommended

Foreign Language: The Classical Civilizations major requires proficiency in Latin or Greek. Students should take the placement exam if they have prior experience in either language. All students pursuing an A.B. degree in the College of Letters and Science complete a Foreign Language through the 15-unit level (For example: through SPA 003 or above.) Please see the UC Davis Language Center website for details on course placement or proficiency exams.

Not Required

Math: The Classical Civilizations major does not require the Math Placement Exam. If you plan to take Math courses, be sure to review the placement requirements prior to enrollment.

Chemistry: The Classical Civilizations major does not require the Chemistry Placement Exam. If you plan to take Chemistry courses, be sure to review placement requirements prior to enrollment.

Computer Science: The Classical Civilizations major does not require Computer Science courses. If you plan to take Computer Science courses, be sure to review placement requirements prior to enrollment.

Recommended First Year Goals

- Complete one full year of a language sequence (GRK or LAT 1-3).
- Meet with your major advisor to make an academic plan for Classics.
- Explore a new area of interest through your GE courses – there are many majors and minors that would complement your Classics major!

AP/IB Exams and Major Requirements

AP/IB Exams	Score	UCD Course	Can repeat for credit at UCD?
AP Latin	3,4,5	Latin 2	No
AP Latin (Vergil)	3,4,5	Latin 2	No
AP Latin Literature	3,4,5	No equivalency	N/A
IB HL Classical Greek	5,6,7	Greek 1 and 2	Yes, depends on how strong you think your language foundation is. Placement exam available.
IB HL Latin	5,6,7	Latin 1 and 2	Yes, depends on how strong you think your language foundation is. Placement exam available.

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