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, 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...

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

Workplaces: Museums; Publishing houses; Newspapers and magazines; Government; Legal agencies; Non-profit agencies; Service industry.
## 1st Year

- Enrol 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 utmONE and LAUNCH through the Centre for Student Engagement (CSE). Join a RGASC Peer Facilitated Study Group.

## Build Skills

- Use the Co-Curricular Record (CCR). Search for opportunities beyond the classroom, and keep track of your accomplishments.
- Attend the Get Experience Fair through the Career Centre (CC) to learn about on- and off-campus opportunities.

## Build A Network

- 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.

## Build A Global Mindset

- 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.
- Start with the International Education Week events and learn about the diversity, culture, and international opportunities on campus!

## Plan For Your Future

- Attend the Program Selection & Career Options workshop offered by the Office of the Registrar and the CC.
- Check out Careers by Major at the CC to see potential career options.

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

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### 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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## 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 CLA291H5, CLA299Y5 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 Learning Network (CLN) 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 CLN.

## 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.
- 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 Community Innovation Project through the Centre for Student Engagement.
- Establish a professional presence on social media (e.g., LinkedIn).
- Get published in *Praedium: the Journal of Historical Studies at UTM* or consider publishing in *Plebeian: the Journal of Historical Studies at UTM*.
- Earn credits overseas! Study for a summer, term or year at one of 120 universities including the University of Graz (Austria) or St Andrews University. Speak to the IEC for details about Course Based Exchange and funding.
- What’s your next step after undergrad?
  - Entering the workforce: Evaluate your career options through a CC Career Counselling appointment. Create a job search strategy — book a CC Employment Strategies appointment.
  - Considering further education? Research application requirements, prepare for admission tests (LSAT, GMAT) and research funding options (OGS, SSHRC). Consider applying to the CLN.

## 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 Counsellor.
- Log on to ACORN and request graduation.
- Skills are transferable to any job regardless of where you develop them. Need to strengthen your presentation skills? Consider a role as a RGASC Peer Facilitated Study Group Leader.
- Join a professional association. Check out the Classical Association of Canada or the Ontario Classical Association.
- Go to the Ontario Student Classics Conference or the UofT Historical Students Association Conference. Consider applying to the Assembly of the Plebs undergraduate conference held by the Classics Students’ Union.
- 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.
- 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.

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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 history and development as it applies to nations/groups of people; understand cultural diversity; formulate and defend positions; 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.

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](http://www.utm.utoronto.ca/clubs).

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)

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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](http://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 focusses 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.

Student Recruitment & Admissions

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