ANCIENT STUDIES, MINOR

Liberal Arts (Code 310-401)

Advisor: M. Waters (Languages).

The minor in Ancient Studies touches upon almost every field of human inquiry: language, literature, history, politics, religion, medicine, and science, to note only a few of the broader disciplines. Students taking courses to fulfill this minor will pursue the following specific goals:

1. to enhance their appreciation and understanding of ancient languages, cultures, and their own heritage;
2. to develop students’ critical thinking abilities via language acquisition (study of grammar, translation, and interpretation), text analysis, historical perspective, and study of the influence of ancient civilizations upon subsequent periods;
3. to pursue an option within the undergraduate experience which allows one to explore in a systematic way the fundamental building blocks and materials of a liberal education and, thereby, highlight UW-Eau Claire’s goals as a liberal arts institution;
4. to develop an interdisciplinary approach to these fields of study and to discover, by study of their origins, an apprehension of the underlying reasons and methods of discourse and institutions of the western world;
5. to see ourselves in perspective, to become more enlightened citizens, and to think more deeply about the human condition and important issues in our lives—based on the bedrock of the earliest approaches, which impacted all subsequent ones, to such questions.

The minor consists of 24 credits of core and elective course work, including foreign language competency at the 102 level.

Core Requirements

Select one of the following:

LAT 101 & LAT 102
Beginning Latin and Beginning Latin

OR

GRK 101 & GRK 102
Beginning Classical Greek and Beginning Classical Greek

Elective Courses

Select sixteen credits from the following list with at least two courses from each category below and a minimum of nine credits at the 300 or 400 level.

Total Credits 24

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Up to three credits of Directed Studies or Independent Study for projects focusing on ancient studies may be applied to either category of the minor, with approval from the minor advisor.

1 Destination and format of course, as applicable to this minor, are subject to approval of the minor advisor.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be expected to meet the following learning outcomes:

• analyze diverse experiences of, or viewpoints from, past events or historical developments.
• recognize continuity and change over time and describe their consequences.
• construct argumentation that explains how the culture and traditions of ancient civilizations can inform the present.
• evaluate credibility, position, or perspective from various types of sources: text, image, and form.
• compare and connect regional and global civilizations, past to present.
• connect and integrate study of ancient civilizations with other disciplines.