

# CLASSICS (CLAS)

Graduate Degree Program  
College: Arts and Humanities

## Abstract

The Department of Classics offers a graduate program of study with specializations in Latin or Latin and Greek, leading to the Master of Arts degree. The program provides students with advanced study of the Latin and/or Greek languages and literatures in the context of a broader and deeper knowledge and understanding of Greek and Roman culture and civilization. In addition to advanced courses in language, each student will be required to take coursework in related disciplines outside of the Classics Department. Some individual programs may require more than 30 hours. Students may choose one of two tracks toward the degree: Latin or Latin and Greek. **Potential applicants should be aware that they will not be admitted unless they have reached the advanced undergraduate level in at least one, or preferably both, of the classical languages, Latin and ancient Greek.** Our M.A. alumni go on to a variety of careers, including especially the teaching of Latin in the schools. Many have also gone on to earn doctoral degrees in Classics at universities such as Brown, Michigan, and USC.

## Financial Assistance

Teaching assistantships and several categories of fellowships are available for outstanding applicants. Contact the graduate director or the department chair for details.

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**Courses:** CLAS (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/courses/clas/>) GREK (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/courses/grek/>) LATN (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/courses/latn/>)

## Admissions

### General Requirements

- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/>))

### Program-Specific Requirements

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- CV/Resume

- Writing Sample
- Second Writing Sample (optional)
- Supplementary Application (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/sites/gradschool.umd.edu/files/uploads/admissionsforms/umdsupplementaryapplicationclas.pdf>)
- Publications/Presentations

In addition to the general requirements for admission established by the Graduate School (see 'General Information' section in this catalog), applicants must demonstrate a proficiency in translating the ancient language(s) at the advanced undergraduate level.

For more admissions information or to apply to the program, please visit our Graduate School website: [www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions](http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions) (<http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/>)

## Application Deadlines

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline	Spring Deadline
<b>Domestic Applicants</b>		
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	Fall 2019: 26 July	Spring 2020: 17 Dec
	Fall 2020: 28 July	
<b>International Applicants</b>		
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A,E,G,H,I and L visas immigrants	4 Feb	N/A

**Other Deadlines:** Please visit the program website at <http://www.classics.umd.edu>

## Requirements

- Classics, Master of Arts (M.A.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/classics-clas/classics-ma/>)

## Facilities and Special Resources

The Baltimore-Washington, D.C., area boasts of several outstanding classical libraries. Located in Washington, D.C., are the Center for Hellenic Studies, the Byzantine Library of Dumbarton Oaks, and the Library of Congress. Students may also use the Eisenhower Library on the campus of the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.