

# Classics [Greek & Roman Civilization, Latin, Greek]

BA [Hons] [NFQ Level 8]



## CAO Code

**DN500**

Joint Hons  
Full time

**DN501**

Joint Hons  
Part time

CAO Points Range 2013 335 — 575  
Length of Course 3 Years  
Average Intake 175

## Entry Requirements

English • Irish • A third language • Three other recognised subjects

## Leaving Certificate

Passes in six subjects including those shown above, of which two must be minimum HC3

## A-Level/GCSE 2013

ACC [A-Level] or equivalent

Passes [GCSE Grade C or above] in six recognised subjects including those above, of which two must be minimum Grade C or above at A-Level

Irish Language Exemption applies, see p175

## Other EU Applicants

See [www.ucd.ie/myucd/eu](http://www.ucd.ie/myucd/eu)

## Non-EU Applicants

See [www.ucd.ie/myucd/noneu](http://www.ucd.ie/myucd/noneu)

Level 5/6 FETAC Entry Routes — Yes, see [www.ucd.ie/myucd/fetac](http://www.ucd.ie/myucd/fetac)

Level 6/7 Progression Routes — None

Mature Entry Route — Yes, see p178

## Choosing Greek & Roman Civilization

Greek & Roman Civilization can be taken as part of a BA Joint Honours degree [DN500]. It can also be taken on a part-time basis [DN501]. No previous knowledge is required, nor will you have to learn the ancient languages.

## Choosing Latin and/or Greek

Greek and Latin can be studied as separate subjects as part of a BA Joint Honours degree [DN500], and can also be taken on a part-time basis [DN501].

Review the subjects you can study with Classics by looking at the diagram on page 33. Details of how to apply for these combinations are on page 185.

## Why is this course for me?

As so much of European culture looks back to Classical Antiquity, studying Classics will give you insights not just into the ancient past but also into the ideas and texts that shaped the present. Three subjects are offered within the BA degree, which you can take separately or combine:

**Greek & Roman Civilization • Latin • Greek**

**Greek & Roman Civilization** explores the Classical World, through history, literature, art, archaeology, mythology and philosophy. You do not need any previous knowledge of the subject, nor will you have to learn the ancient languages.

**Latin** and **Greek** allow you to learn a language from scratch or develop your existing knowledge. Learn to read works by authors such as Cicero, Homer, Ovid, Plato, Sophocles and Virgil, in their original languages.

## What will I study?

### GREEK & ROMAN CIVILIZATION

#### First Year

Introductions to the literature and history of ancient Greece and Rome, and to classical myth and classical art and archaeology



Corinthian vases from the UCD Classical Museum at UCD

## Second & Third Year

Alexander the Great • Virgil's *Aeneid* • The Roman Republic • Archaeology of Athens • Cicero's Speeches • Cleopatra • Spartacus • Greek Tragedy • Eating & Drinking in Antiquity • Family Life in Ancient Greece

There is also the opportunity at the end of first or second year to go to Greece on our study tour.

## LATIN

You can begin the study of Latin in first year, or develop existing knowledge from Leaving Certificate or equivalent, through modules on language, literature and culture. Authors studied include Virgil, Cicero, Tacitus, Ovid and Livy.

## GREEK

We offer a language programme for beginners leading to the study of authors such as Homer, Plato, Lysias, Sophocles, Thucydides and Euripides.

Students attend lectures and tutorials, and undertake independent reading and study. Some modules are taught in small classes. Assessment is through class tests, exams and coursework essays.

## Career & Graduate Study Opportunities

Graduates have highly valued skills including research and data analysis, presentation and discussion of opposing viewpoints, and writing English to a high standard. Graduates have pursued various careers, such as:

Advertising • Broadcasting • Journalism • Teaching • IT • Law • Business

You can continue your study of the ancient world at UCD, with a taught MA in Classics and a research degree – MLitt or PhD. For details, see [www.ucd.ie/classics/postgraduateprogrammes](http://www.ucd.ie/classics/postgraduateprogrammes).

## International Study Opportunities

UCD School of Classics has links with the Universities of Athens, Catania, Cyprus, Erlangen, Nantes and Rouen. Non-EU exchange opportunities include the University of Melbourne, Australia and the University of Virginia, USA.



Maeve McHugh  
GRADUATE

Greek and Roman Civilization provided me with an opportunity to explore the society, literature, history and archaeology of ancient Greece and Rome. I particularly enjoyed the range of topics on offer which allowed me to gain a broad and extensive knowledge of the ancient world, which complemented my studies in Archaeology. The excellent standard of teaching and approachable staff meant that I thoroughly enjoyed my undergraduate experience, so much so that I signed up for the MA programme when I finished my BA.

## KEY FACT

The Classical Museum at UCD holds the largest collection of Greek and Roman artefacts on display in Ireland. Students taking relevant modules have the opportunity for hands-on interaction with the collection.

## Find out more

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