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GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES



CLASSICS

# GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Classical Studies encompasses all the material and intellectual culture of the ancient Greek and Roman world. It includes the study of language and creative literature, of political and social history, of philosophy, religion and art. It is thus the original and most comprehensive of interdisciplinary fields, and the cornerstone of the idea of liberal education. At the same time, it is heir to a long tradition of exacting and specialized scholarship. The linguist and the critic, the archeologist, the epigrapher and the various historians of events and ideas, all have special contributions to make. Classics is therefore also distinguished by the degree of cooperation it supports among persons of disparate expertise.

## The Department at Boston College

The Classical Studies Department is small and congenial, and its faculty is active in research and publication. In addition to the excellent facilities of O'Neill Library, it possesses its own departmental library and seminar room, and provides access to valuable Boston institutions such as the Museum of Fine Arts. The department sponsors various lectures and discussion groups, bringing in scholars from other universities and supporting talks by our own faculty and graduate students.

## **Graduate Programs**

The department grants a Master of Arts degree under three headings: Latin, Greek or Greek and Latin together (Classics). Students typically come to the department to prepare either for entry into a Ph.D. program elsewhere or for a career in teaching. In conjunction with the Lynch Graduate School of Education, the department also offers an M.A.T. degree in Latin and Classical Humanities.

## **Application Requirements**

Application requirements include: application forms, official transcripts from all previous institutions, at least two letters of recommendation, a statement of purpose, a writing sample, and GRE general examinations scores. International applicants must also submit official TOEFL examination scores. Further information about applying and links to the application form are available at www. bc.edu/gsas.

### Degree Requirements

Requirements for the M.A. degree: Each program requires a combination of course work, independent study and comprehensive examinations for the M.A. degree. Candidates must complete 30 credits of course work at the graduate level, of which six may, with departmental permission, consist of a thesis tutorial. In addition, candidates must complete a departmental reading list of Latin and/or Greek authors, must demonstrate the ability to read a modern foreign language (usually French or German), and must pass comprehensive examinations. The examinations are written and oral, the written portion consisting of translation from the authors on the reading list and an essay on one of the passages translated. The oral consists of discussion with the faculty of a candidate's course work in the history of Latin and/or Greek literature, and of a thesis (if offered in partial fulfillment of the requirements).

Requirements for the M.A.T. degree: Requirements vary according to a candidate's preparation in both Classics and Education. Students are advised to contact the chairperson of the Classical Studies Department as well as the director of the Secondary Education Program in the Lynch School of Education.

Limited scholarship aid is available in the form of tuition remission and paid teaching assistantships. For further information apply to:

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# COURSES

Note: This list illustrates a three-year range; not every course is taught annually, and others, not listed here, will be taught in coming years or are taught in other departments.

Elementary & Intermediate Languages: Latin, Greek, Modern Greek

Greek Civilization

Roman Civilization

Introduction to the Modern Greek World

Culture of Athenian Democracy

Homer, Virgil, and Beyond

Greece Through Her Films

**Ancient Tyranny** 

Classical Mythology

Greek History

Art and Myth in Ancient Greece

Art and Archaeology of Homer and Troy

Roman Family and Law

Pagans, Christians, and Jews

Women in the Greek Cultural Spectrum

Aeschylus

**Apuleius** 

Cicero and Friends

**Euripides** 

Lucan

Homer

Horace, Odes

Livy

Ovid: Amatory Poems

Ovid, Metamorphoses

Plato

Plautus and Terence

Seneca

Sophocles

**Tacitus** 

Roman History

Structure and History of Latin

Latin Prose Composition

Virgil, Eclogues and Georgics

Virgil, Aeneid

Herodotus

# **FACULTY**

#### Classical Studies

#### Dia M.L. Philippides

Professor; B.A. Radcliffe College; M.A. Boston College, Ph.D. Princeton University

#### Charles F. Ahern

Associate Professor and chairman; B.A. Wesleyan University; M. Phil., Ph.D. Yale University

#### Gail L. Hoffman

Associate Professor (Classics & Fine Arts); B.A. Yale University; M.A., Ph.D. University of Michigan, Greek & Roman Art & Archeology

#### Kendra J. Eshleman

Assistant Professor; B.A. Swarthmore College; M.A., Ph.D. University of Michigan

#### Meredith E. Monaghan

Assistant Professor, B.A. Bowdoin College; M.A. University of Wisconsin-Madison; Ph.D. Stanford University

#### Maria Kakavas

Adjunct Lecturer; B.A. University of Athens; M.A. Boston College; Ph.D. Boston University

## **Associated Faculty**

#### C.J. Bruell

Political Science, Ph.D. University of Chicago

#### John Cleary

Philosophy, Ph.D. Boston University

#### Michael J. Connolly

Linguistics, Ph.D. Harvard University

#### Kenneth Craig

Fine Arts, Ph.D. Bryn Mawr College

#### Arthur R. Madigan, S.J.

Philosophy, Ph.D. University of Toronto

#### John H. Rosser

History, Ph.D. Rutgers University

#### Margaret A. Schatkin

Theology, Ph.D. Fordham University