

CLASSICS (BA)

Program Mission

The mission of the Classics program is to develop proficient readers and translators of Latin and/or Greek. Learners will also demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the history, culture, and literature of the ancient world and their contribution to our world today.

Program Outcomes

1. Graduates will have mastered enough Latin and Greek grammar to read and appreciate Latin and Greek texts.
2. Graduates will be able to translate passages accurately and thus, by analyzing different nuances of expression, improve their own power of thought and expression.
3. Students will appreciate Greek and Roman life, philosophy and political institutions, from the time of small city-states to a larger, culturally and ethnically diverse empire, and evaluate the Classical contribution to the development of Western Civilization, helping students become better equipped to live in the diverse society of their own day.

Program Requirements

Benedictine College offers a major in Classics, and minors in Latin and Classics. The Classics major is an interdisciplinary major with two components: Language study and the study of related disciplines.

Language Courses

(First-year sequences in Greek and Latin plus 18 credits at 3000 level or above)

Latin Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
LATN-1000	Beginning Latin I	4
LATN-1020	Beginning Latin II	4
LATN-3110	Latin Prose Authors I	3
LATN-3120	Latin Prose Authors II	3
LATN-4110	Latin Poets I	3
LATN-4120	Latin Poets II	3
LATN-4590	Directed Readings I	3
LATN-4600	Directed Readings II	3
GREK-1000	Beginning Greek I	4
GREK-1020	Beginning Greek II	4

Latin and Greek Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
LATN-1000	Beginning Latin I	4
LATN-1020	Beginning Latin II	4
LATN-3110	Latin Prose Authors I	3
LATN-3120	Latin Prose Authors II	3
LATN-4110	Latin Poets I	3
GREK-1000	Beginning Greek I	4
GREK-1020	Beginning Greek II	4
GREK-3110	Greek Prose Authors I	3

GREK-3120	Greek Prose Authors II	3
GREK-XXXX	Greek Poetry I	3

Latin, Greek, and Hebrew Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
LATN-1000	Beginning Latin I	4
LATN-1020	Beginning Latin II	4
GREK-1000	Beginning Greek I	4
GREK-1020	Beginning Greek II	4
THEO-2010	Biblical Hebrew I	4
THEO-2020	Biblical Hebrew II	4

Any four Latin or Greek classes 3000 level or above

Interdisciplinary Component

Students must complete 12 hours from the following courses:

Code	Title	Hours
GNST-1750	Great Books: Ancient World	3
HIST-3520	Ancient Greece	3
or HIST-3521	Ancient Rome	
Select six additional hours of the following:		6
ARCH-2300	Architectural History I	
ART-3411	Art History I	
ENGL-3060	Classical Mythology	
GNST-2750	Great Books: Medieval World	
HIST-3520	Ancient Greece	
HIST-3521	Ancient Rome	
HIST-3522	Greek & Roman History	
HIST-3541	Byzantine History	
PHIL-4010	Ancient Philosophy	
PHIL-4020	Medieval Philosophy	
THEO-3420	Hist of Catholic Church I: Apost-16th C	
THTR-3810	Theatre History & Literature to 1640	

Note: Students who enter college with three or four years of high school Latin training and who score high enough on the placement examination may begin upper-division work as freshmen, with the approval of the department chair.

Suggested Sequence of Courses for a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Classics

Classics: Latin Concentration (BA)

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman Year		
First Semester		
ENGL-1010	English Composition	3
LATN-1000	Beginning Latin I	4
THEO-1100	Introduction to Theology	3
GNST-1750	Great Books: Ancient World	3
One Foundations course ¹		3-4
GNST-1000	BC Experience	1
Hours		17-18
Second Semester		
PHIL-1750	Principles of Nature	3

LATN-1020	Beginning Latin II	4
EXSC-1115	Wellness for Life	1
EXSC Fitness Course		1
Two Foundations courses ¹		6-7
Electives or Foundation		3
Hours		18-19

Sophomore Year**First Semester**

Select one of the following:		3
LATN-3110	Latin Prose Authors I ²	
LATN-3120	Latin Prose Authors II ²	
Select one of the following:		3-4
GREK-1000	Beginning Greek I ³	
Natural World Foundation		
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation (can also serve as elective for Classics Major)		3
Electives or Foundation		6
Hours		15-16

Second Semester

Select one of the following:		3
LATN-4110	Latin Poets I ²	
LATN-4120	Latin Poets II ²	
Select one of the following:		3-4
GREK-1020	Beginning Greek II ³	
Elective		
Faith Foundation (can also serve as elective for Classics Major)		3
Electives or Foundation		6
Hours		15-16

Junior Year**First Semester**

LATN-3110	Latin Prose Authors I	3
or LATN-3120	or Latin Prose Authors II	
Select one of the following:		3-4
GREK-1000	Beginning Greek I ³	
Natural World Foundation		
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation (can also serve as elective for Classics Major)		3
Electives or Foundation		6
Hours		15-16

Second Semester

LATN-4110	Latin Poets I	3
or LATN-4120	or Latin Poets II	
Select one of the following:		3-4
GREK-1020	Beginning Greek II ³	
Elective		
Faith Foundation (can also serve as elective for Classics Major)		3
Electives or Foundation		6
Hours		15-16

Senior Year**First Semester**

LATN-4590	Directed Readings I	3
Mathematical Reasoning Course		3

Electives		12
Hours		18
Second Semester		
LATN-4600	Directed Readings II	3
CLSC-COMP	Senior Comprehensive Exam	0
Electives		15
Hours		18
Total Hours		131-137

¹ Student should select courses from the following Foundations during the freshman and sophomore years:

- Historical Inquiry (1 course)
- Natural World (1 course with or without lab)
- Person and Community (1 course; recommended freshman year)
- Faith (1 course; recommended sophomore or junior year)
- Mathematical Reasoning (1 course)

² Latin Prose and Latin Poets are offered in a rotation and can be taken in either order, one is not a prerequisite of the other.

³ GREK-1000 Beginning Greek I and GREK-1020 Beginning Greek II may be offered every other year, which explains why the suggested sequences for Sophomore and Junior years are similar.

Classics: Latin and Greek Concentration (BA)

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Freshman Year		
First Semester		
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LATN-1000	Beginning Latin I	4
THEO-1100	Introduction to Theology	3
GNST-1750	Great Books: Ancient World	3
One Foundations course ¹		3-4
GNST-1000	BC Experience	1
Hours		17-18
Second Semester		
PHIL-1750	Principles of Nature	3
LATN-1020	Beginning Latin II	4
EXSC-1115	Wellness for Life	1
EXSC Fitness Course		1
Two Foundations courses ¹		6-7
Electives or Foundation		3
Hours		18-19
Sophomore Year		
First Semester		
Select one of the following:		3
LATN-3110	Latin Prose Authors I ²	
LATN-3120	Latin Prose Authors II ²	
Select one of the following:		3-4
GREK-1000	Beginning Greek I ³	
Natural World Foundation		
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation (some serve as electives for the Classics Major)		3
Electives or Foundation		6
Hours		15-16

Second Semester

Select one of the following:	3
LATN-4110 Latin Poets I ²	
LATN-4120 Latin Poets II ²	
Select one of the following:	3-4
GREK-1020 Beginning Greek II ³	
Elective	
Faith Foundation (some serve as electives for the Classics Major)	3
Electives or Foundation	6
Hours	15-16

Junior Year**First Semester**

LATN-3110 Latin Prose Authors I	3
or LATN-3120 or Latin Prose Authors II	
Select one of the following:	3-4
GREK-1000 Beginning Greek I	
Natural World Foundation	
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation (some serve as electives for the Classics Major)	3
Electives or Foundation	6
Hours	15-16

Second Semester

LATN-4110 Latin Poets I	3
or LATN-4120 or Latin Poets II	
Select one of the following:	3-4
GREK-1020 Beginning Greek II	
Elective	
Faith Foundation (some serve as electives for the Classics Major)	3
Electives or Foundation	6
Hours	15-16

Senior Year**First Semester**

GREK-3110 Greek Prose Authors I	3
Mathematical Reasoning Course	3
Electives	12
Hours	18

Second Semester

GREK-3120 Greek Prose Authors II	3
GREK-41XX Greek Poetry	3
CLSC-COMP Senior Comprehensive Exam	0
Electives	12
Hours	18
Total Hours	131-137

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Classics: Latin, Greek, and Hebrew Concentration (BA)

Follow the above model, and substitute THEO-2010 Biblical Hebrew I and THEO-2020 Biblical Hebrew II or any two Latin or Greek classes 3000 level or above. Hebrew is not offered every year, so consult with your advisor for planning.