

Courses in the Classical World at SIUC

The following is meant to be a complete list of regularly offered courses with substantial exposure to the classical world of the ancient Mediterranean. Many other courses touch on the classical world, of course, and most disciplines provide tools useful for analyzing the classical world, but these are the offerings most concerned with classical subject matter.

From the Classics Section (Dept. of Foreign Languages & Literatures)

Courses in Latin and Greek

Elementary Greek (CLAS 130a) and **Elementary Latin** (CLAS 133a) are offered each fall, with the continuation of 130b and 133b in the spring. Students without prior language training need to start the languages in the fall, then.

Intermediate Greek (CLAS 201-a-b). Second year Greek, with review of grammar and reading of original Greek texts. Recent offerings include Lysias, Homer, and Plato.

Intermediate Latin (CLAS 202a-b). Second year Latin, wrapping up Latin grammar and reading original Latin texts. Recent authors include Catullus, Ovid, and Apuleius.

More advanced reading courses in Latin and Greek are also offered, sometimes in combination with the intermediate classes. Recent topics for Latin courses include *Roman Letters* and *Tacitus*.

Courses taught in translation

Mythology (CLAS 230). A large lecture (300), meeting core requirements, usually taught in the fall.

Greek civilization (CLAS 270). A medium sized lecture class (85), meeting core requirements, usually taught in the fall.

Roman civilization (CLAS 271). A large lecture (300), meeting core requirements.

Classical themes & contemporary life (CLAS 315i). Small core class; topics vary. Recent topics include *Democracy, Ancient and Modern* and *The Ancient World and Contemporary Film*

Topics in classics (CLAS 491). Small research seminar, capstone for classics majors and minors but open to all. Recent topics include *Greek and Roman Religion* and *Socrates*.

From other departments on campus

AD 207a Intro to Art History I

AD 327 Aesthetics

ENG 445 Cultural Backgrounds of Western Literature

HIST 311 The Ancient Near East and Mediterranean

HIST 412a Empire and Social Conflict in the Roman Republic

HIST 412b Religion and Society in Imperial Rome

HIST 413 Christianization of Power and Society in Late Antiquity

PHIL 304 Ancient Philosophy

PHIL 469 Hellenistic and Roman Philosophy to Augustine

PHIL 470a Greek Philosophy: Plato

PHIL 470b Greek Philosophy: Aristotle

THEA 354a History of the Theater

The above courses contain substantial material relevant to the classical world, and can be counted toward the classics major. Other campus courses may also do so: see the classics advisor, David Johnson, for approval.