CLASSICS

Departmental Facilities

The Department of Classics is located on the fifth floor of John Watson Hall, which houses our reference collection, seminar room, departmental lounge and faculty offices. Graduate students also have access to a shared office where they can study and meet with undergraduate students as part of their TA duties.

In addition to our own reference collection, the Stauffer Library has substantial holdings in art, archaeology, classical literature, history and philosophy. Also available are publications in epigraphy and papyrology, and foreign periodicals. The Law Library contains resources for the study of ancient law.

Graduate Student Support

Assistance is available through the Ontario Graduate Scholarship system. The university offers a number of senior fellowships, Queen's Graduate Awards and other support for students in Masters' programs. Suitably qualified students are also appointed to Departmental Teaching Assistantships.

The Classics Department offers additional financial support to successful applicants through the Alexander and Ian Vorres Travel Fellowship, the Classics Travel Grant, and the Ross Kilpatrick Student Initiatives Fund competition processes.

Fields of Research

The Department of Classics offers graduate instruction and opportunities for research in 2 fields:

- Classics and Archaeology
- Classical Studies and Archaeology

Admission requirements

Applicants are accepted under the General Regulations of the School of Graduate Studies. Students must, however, as a minimum, show a strong upper second class standing in the upper years of their B.A. programs.

Applicants to our Classics and Archaeology field should have a good knowledge of Greek and Latin, and are required to take at least 6.0 language credits (Greek and/or Latin) at the graduate level. There are no ancient language requirements for admission to the Classical Studies and Archaeology field.

Modern Language Requirement

Before completing the thesis, major research paper or project, students in the Classics and Archaeology field (ancient languages required for admission) shall demonstrate to the department the ability to read and comprehend one of the languages of modem scholarship, normally French, German, or Italian. A written translation test may be taken. The requirement may also be satisfied by achieving undergraduate standing with a year-length (= 6.0 credit) course, or Ontario Academic Credit or equivalent.

Students in the Classical Studies and Archaeology field (no ancient languages required for admission) shall demonstrate to the department the ability to read and comprehend either one of the languages of modern scholarship, normally French, German, or Italian OR have completed two year-long courses (= 12.0 credits) in university-level ancient Greek, Latin, or Hebrew. If the student opts to fulfil a modern language rather than the ancient language option, a written translation test may be taken or the requirement may also be satisfied by achieving undergraduate standing with a 3.0 credit course, or Ontario Academic Credit or equivalent.