

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CLASSICS

Advising

To ensure adequate planning of a student's program, all majors must consult an advisor regularly throughout their undergraduate years. A list of Department of Classics advisors and a schedule of their availability can be found on the Classics website.

Students are also advised to consult with the University's Advising Center for information about General Education and other University requirements.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Students will become familiar with a broad range of Latin and/or Greek texts and may elect to acquire sufficient proficiency to read and interpret these texts in the original language(s). (literature and language)
2. Students will become familiar with the broad diachronic development of ancient Mediterranean cultures. (history)
3. Students will acquire an understanding of how material evidence informs our understanding of ancient Mediterranean cultures. (material culture)
4. Students will learn to develop cogent arguments in writing about various topics in the study of the ancient Mediterranean. (writing)
5. Students will apply their knowledge of ancient Mediterranean languages and cultures toward a richer understanding of their own language and culture. (connections)

Steps to Change Major

Students may change their major by visiting with any of the Department of Classics advisors. A list of Department of Classics advisors and a schedule of their availability can be found on the Classics website.

Students may also change their majors online through the Student Center. (Login to SF State Gateway / MySFSU (<http://www.sfsu.edu/login.htm>), navigate to Student Center, and select Change Major/Minor). If you encounter any difficulties, please contact any Departmental advisor.

Bachelor of Arts in Classics – 36 Units

Discovery (6 Units)

Code	Title	Units
Select two lower-division courses from CLAR, CLAS, GRE, and LATN prefixes.		

Survey (9 Units)

Select Three:

Code	Title	Units
CLAS 410/ HUM 401	Ancient Greek Literature	3
CLAS 415/ HUM 402	Ancient Roman Literature	3
CLAR 420/ ARTH 401	Art and Archaeology of Ancient Greece	3
CLAR 425/ ARTH 402	Art and Archaeology of Ancient Rome	3

Synthesis (3 Units)

Code	Title	Units
CLAS 400GW		
or a GWAR course in another department upon advisement.		

Electives (18 Units)

Select six elective courses, upon advisement, from CLAS, CLAR, GRE, and LATN prefixes, at least two of which must be upper-division. With the permission of an advisor, three electives can be taken in another department.

Culminating Experience

All undergraduate students will complete a culminating experience project with one of the following components:

- A demonstration of oral and written skills in Latin and/or Greek. This demonstration has three parts: oral declamation of a prose passage; written transcription of a prose passage dictated by a test administrator; and oral declamation of passage of poetry (scansion) in dactylic hexameter.
- A comprehensive reflective statement focused on the role that receiving a Classical education at SF State has and will play in the student's life.
- A display of the student's best projects from their Classics coursework (e.g. term papers, translations, archaeological reconstructions).

These components may be fulfilled through in-person meetings with a Classics undergraduate advisor, but students wishing to develop and display information competency are encouraged to complete these components in electronic form (website, etc.).

Complementary Studies

Bachelor of Arts students must complete at least 12 units of Complementary Studies outside of the primary prefix for the major. (Note: Students may not use an alternate prefix that is cross-listed with the primary prefix for the major.)

Students who complete two majors or a major and a minor automatically complete the Complementary Studies requirement. Additional ways to complete the CS requirements for students in the classics major is to complete 12 units in Greek (GRE) or Latin (LATN) or some combination.

General Education Requirements

Requirement	Course Level	Units	Area Designation
Oral Communication	LD	3	A1
Written English Communication	LD	3	A2
Critical Thinking	LD	3	A3
Physical Science	LD	3	B1
Life Science	LD	3	B2
Lab Science	LD	1	B3
Mathematics/ Quantitative Reasoning	LD	3	B4
Arts	LD	3	C1
Humanities	LD	3	C2

Arts or Humanities	LD	3	C1 or C2
Social Sciences	LD	3	D1
Social Sciences: US History	LD	3	D2
Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (LLD)	LD	3	E
Ethnic Studies	LD	3	F
Physical and/or Life Science	UD	3	UD-B
Arts and/or Humanities	UD	3	UD-C
Social Sciences	UD	3	UD-D

SF State Studies

Courses certified as meeting the SF State Studies requirements may be upper or lower division in General Education (GE), a major or minor, or an elective.

American Ethnic and Racial Minorities	LD or UD	3	AERM
Environmental Sustainability	LD or UD	3	ES
Global Perspectives	LD or UD	3	GP
Social Justice	LD or UD	3	SJ

Note: LD = Lower-Division; UD = Upper-Division.

First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

- The roadmaps presented in this Bulletin are intended as suggested plans of study and do not replace meeting with an advisor. For a more personalized roadmap, please use the Degree Planner (<https://registrar.sfsu.edu/degreeplanner/>) tool found in your [Student Center](#).
- In order to choose your English Composition A2 course and your QR/Math B4 course, please complete the online advising activities at writingadvising.sfsu.edu (<https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu>) and mathadvising.sfsu.edu. Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu>).

[First-Time Student Roadmap \(http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/classics/ba-classics/roadmap-i-ii-eng/\)](http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/classics/ba-classics/roadmap-i-ii-eng/)

General Advising Information for Transfer Students

- Before transfer, complete as many lower-division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
- The following courses are not required for admission but are required for graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these units before transfer; doing so will provide more flexibility in course selection after transfer.
 - a course in U.S. History
 - a course in U.S. & California Government

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit <http://www.assist.org> (<http://assist.org>). Check any geographically accessible

CCCs; sometimes options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

- Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower-division major requirements for this major;
- Which courses at a CCC satisfy CSU GE, US History, and US & CA Government requirements.

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 semester units/90 quarter units required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the minimum 60 units required for upper-division transfer (for example, if a course was not passed on the first attempt or was taken to earn a better grade).

Before leaving the last California Community College of attendance, obtain a summary of completion of lower-division General Education units (IGETC or CSU GE Breadth). This is often referred to as a GE certification worksheet. SF State does not require delivery of this certification to Admissions, but students should retain this document for verifying degree progress after transfer.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College-Level Examination Program courses: AP/IB/CLEP credit is not automatically transferred from the previous institution. Units are transferred only when an official score report is delivered to SF State. Credit is based on the academic year during which exams were taken. Refer to the University Bulletin in effect during the year of AP/IB/CLEP examination(s) for details regarding the award of credit for AP/IB/CLEP.

Students pursuing majors in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines often defer 6-9 units of lower-division General Education in Areas C and D until after transfer to focus on preparation courses for the major. This advice does not apply to students pursuing associate degree completion before transfer.

Transferring From Institutions Other Than CCCs or CSUs

Review SF State's lower-division General Education requirements. Note that, as described below, the four basic skills courses required for admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses that fulfill the remaining areas of SF State's lower-division GE pattern are available at most two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Of the four required basic skills courses, a course in critical thinking (A3) may not be widely offered outside the CCC and CSU systems. Students should attempt to identify and take an appropriate course no later than the term of application to the CSU. To review more information about the A3 requirement, please visit bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AEL.

Waiting until after transfer to take a single course at SF State that meets both US and CA/local government requirements may be an appropriate option, particularly if transferring from outside of California.