

# ANCIENT STUDIES PROGRAM

St. Olaf College



Racehorse and jockey in the National  
Archaeological Museum, Athens  
(Photo from Classics Interim, 2017)

## ANCIENT STUDIES PROGRAM St. Olaf College

Since 1971, the Ancient Studies program has offered St. Olaf students the chance to explore ancient Greece and Rome from a variety of perspectives—literary, historical, artistic, religious, and cultural.

It is common for students to combine an Ancient Studies major with another like art history, history, philosophy, political science, or religion. Even students majoring in math, natural science, or fine arts may opt to use Ancient Studies as half of a double major.

Every Ancient Studies major must complete Greek 253 (or any other Greek course above 231) or Latin 252 (or any other Latin course above 231). Students who fulfill this requirement with Latin may use one Greek course (111 or above) as an elective; those who fulfill it with Greek may use one Latin course (111 or above) as an elective.

Also required are an ancient history course, a Classics course, and five other courses selected from Art and Art History, Asian Studies, Classics, Great Conversation, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Religion, and Theater. One of the five electives must be an Independent Research on a topic of the student's choice (e.g., mid-wifery in antiquity, ancient fly-fishing, slaves in Roman comedy, Egyptian pyramid design, the chronology of Jericho, mythic warriors). Study abroad and courses at Carleton College extend the range of possibilities.

Any student interested in an Ancient Studies major should meet with the program director, Prof. Anne Groton, Department of Classics (Tomson 367, groton@stolaf.edu), to draw up an individual contract.

*Italicized courses are offered in 2017-2018.*

### REQUIRED COURSES

#### ***Greek 253 or Latin 252***

Greek 370, 372, 373, 374, or 375  
may be substituted for Greek 253.

Latin 235, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375,  
or 377 may be substituted for Latin 252.

#### ***1 ancient history course***

#### ***1 Classics course***

### ELECTIVE COURSES

#### **Art and Art History**

153 (*Introduction to Art History—  
if student focuses on ancient art*)

161 (*History of World Architecture—  
if student focuses on ancient art*)

267 (Anc. Near Eastern & Islamic Art)

350 (*Methods of Art History—  
if student focuses on ancient art*)

#### **Asian Studies**

333 (What is a Hero?—if student  
focuses on the ancient hero)

#### **Classics**

124 (The Many Faces of Homer)

126 (*Ancient Comedy*)

129 (The Neverending Myth)

240 (*Gender & Sexuality in Anc. World*)

241 (Greek & Roman Myth)

243 (*The Golden Age of Greece*)

244 (The Golden Age of Rome)

251 (Class. Stud. in Greece) [abroad]

253 (*Class. Stud. in Italy*) [abroad]

#### **Great Conversation**

113 (*The Greeks & the Hebrews*)

115 (*The Romans & the Christians*)

#### **Greek** (if Latin used for reqt.) – 1 course

#### **History**

101 (Ancient Warfare)

190 (*Europe from Anc. to Renaissance*)

201 (*Major Seminar: Ancient History*)

203 (*Ancient History: Greece*)

204 (*Ancient History: Rome*)

205 (Ancient History: Near East)

299 (Topics in History—if ancient)

302 (Seminar: Greek Civilization)

303 (Seminar: Roman Civilization)

#### **Latin** (if Greek used for reqt.) – 1 course

#### **Philosophy**

118 (*Making of the Modern Mind—if  
student focuses on antiquity*)

120 (Philosophy in Lit. —if student  
focuses on ancient philosophy)

235 (*Ancient Greek Philosophy*)

374 (Sem.: Hist. of Phil. —if ancient)

#### **Political Science**

113 (*Intro. to Pol. Theory—if student  
focuses on ancient political theory*)

259 (Hist. of Classical Polit. Thought)

#### **Religion**

212 (Christian Theol. in Hist. Context—  
if student focuses on antiquity)

221 (*Jesus in Scripture & Tradition*)

222 (*The Biblical God*)

223 (Paul: His Letters, His Gospel)

230 (*Theology of Creation—if  
student focuses on antiquity*)

271 (Bible in Context) [abroad]

272 (*Sacred Places Gr./Turk.*) [abroad]

273 (*Hebrew Prophets*)

275 (Hist. Geography & Bible) [abroad]

274 (*Jesus and the Moral Life*)

276 (The Ethics of Jesus)

302 (History of Christian Thought I)

320 (*Topics: Sacred Texts: Genesis*)

391 (Biblical Seminar)

392 (Stud. Relig. Seminar—if ancient)

393 (*Theol. Sem.: Hist. Jesuses/Christis*)

#### **Theater**

180 (*Text & Performance—if student  
focuses on ancient theater*)

270 (*History of Theater up to 1700*)