

CLASSICS



Master of Arts (MA) Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

The Department of Classics graduate programs specialize in the main fields of Literature, History, Philosophy, and Patristics. These programs address the interests of students seeking knowledge of their literary, philosophical, political, and religious traditions. In general, the program should appeal to students with wide humanistic interests who wish to study contemporary culture through its ancient origins.



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Why study Classics at Dalhousie?

RESEARCH STRENGTHS

The Department of Classics welcomes students who wish to pursue MA and PhD degrees. Study may focus on the traditional subdisciplines of Greek and Roman Literature and History, as well as on Ancient Philosophy. Alternatively, students may opt to explore Classical culture and its legacy in several other areas of interest distinctively cultivated by members of the Classics faculty, along with colleagues in the Program in Religious Studies and Arabic. Such areas include late-antique, patristic, Byzantine and medieval philosophy, theology and religion.

POTENTIAL CAREERS

Our graduates have taken up careers in Philosophy: Ancient, Late Ancient, Medieval and Contemporary; the whole of Theology; Greek and Roman Classics; History, Archaeology and Art; Chinese and Indian Religion; Celtic, Jewish, Arabic and Islamic Studies; Computerisation; and Humanities and the Liberal Arts generally. This list is always expanding. Then there are practical careers in law, teaching, journalism, politics, religious leadership and monastic life, librarianship, environmental advocacy, university administration.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must satisfy the admission requirements of the Faculty of Graduate Studies. Competency in Greek and Latin is required for theses in the traditional areas of Classical Studies. For students wishing to pursue traditional Classics degrees, the requirement of both Classical languages at the Honours level may sometimes be relaxed. In such cases, at least two classes in the second language will be taken in addition to the MA course proper. If your research topic requires an ancient language other than Greek or Latin please consult the Graduate Coordinator about possible flexibility with these guidelines.

LENGTH OF PROGRAM

MA: typical time to complete is 1-2 years
PhD: typical time to complete is 4-6 years

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Classics follows the deadlines set by the Faculty of Graduate Studies. Please note that for Graduate Studies Scholarship consideration applications must be complete (including application, fee and all supporting documents) by March 1. For consideration for Killam and other University scholarships, complete applications must be received by January 1.

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