Bachelor of Arts

Classical Studies

Are you curious about how and where Western culture began? Intrigued by the adventure and drama of Greek mythology, or by Greek tragedy? Have you loved the ancient Olympic Games, been fascinated by Alexander the Great, or wondered how Romans fought wars and why the Roman Empire ended? Classical Studies will lead you through a fascinating exploration of the ancient world.

In order to understand the present, it is vital to understand the past. If you join us in Classical Studies, you will join a long and cherished tradition of scholarship.

- Classical Studies, now more than ever, is a highly multidisciplinary program.
- You will study ancient Greek and Roman history, myth and religion, literature, drama, art and architecture, philosophy, law, social and political systems, class, slavery, military traditions, sport, cultural institutions, scientific and medical knowledge, and more.
- You can learn Latin and Ancient Greek from first to fourth year or as electives for any Arts and Science majors.
- Discover how all these aspects of classical antiquity have influenced the modern Western world.
- The program offers honours specialization, specialization, major and minor options. Courses are cross-listed with other disciplines and also count as electives for Education. Check out our full list of courses in the Academic Calendar (Course Listings).

Register for Open House, book your own tour or get more info at nipissingu.ca/futurestudents
Why Nipissing?
The small size of our department means you always have access to one-to-one help from your professors, small class sizes and a tight-knit group of peers. Our focus is on your success.

There is plenty to do outside the classroom, too. Get involved with the Classics Club: organize guest speakers, trips to the Royal Ontario Museum, movie nights, Greek and Latin poetry readings, social events and more.

• In your upper years you select more specialized courses focused on social history, literature/drama, myth and religion, material culture, or general areas like sport, rhetoric, education, digital classics and more.
• Throughout the degree, courses take an interdisciplinary approach.
• Professors are active researchers and feed their expertise into courses. We also offer research opportunities to our undergraduate students.
• Students can study archaeology with Classics and Anthropology.
• We offer an annual scholarship to an upper year student and the possibility of exploring a live archaeological dig in the Balkans.

What does my first year look like?
In first year you may take classes to learn about the civilizations of Ancient Greek and Ancient Rome, learn Latin or Ancient Greek, as well as take other breadth requirements and electives.

Where Can I Go After Graduation?
Classical Studies is an ideal preparation for the future leaders of social, artistic and political institutions. Graduates exit the program as critical and creative thinkers (both inside and outside the box), problem solvers, and concise communicators — all important skills for any career. A Classical Studies graduate might become a museum educationalist or curator, archivist, heritage manager, broadcaster, classical archaeologist, tour guide, writer or publisher, translator, public relations expert, theatre-maker or historian, school teacher, an academic and more. Armed with your newfound knowledge and skills, where you go and what you do will be completely up to you.