

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 42 (CLAS): **Revise the Requirements for the Major in Classics**

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1. **Delete:** On pages 103-104, the entries for **the Concentration in Greek, Concentration in Latin and Concentration in Greek and Latin:**

Concentration in Greek

This program is recommended for students interested in Classics, archaeology, ancient history, linguistics, philosophy, theology or law school.

- I. Required courses in the major—at least 30 hours, including 18 hours of Greek language courses chosen from CLAS 320, 330, 340, 400, 410, 450, 460; 3-4 hours from the Classical Civilization courses; 6 hours chosen from CLAS 211 (if taken before enrolling in upper level Greek language courses), 300-400 level Classics language courses, additional Classical Civilization courses, or special topics courses covering Greek themes; and CLAS 498. Using special topics courses to fulfill major requirements needs prior approval of the department chair.
- II. Required courses outside major—None. Courses dealing with the Greco-Roman world offered by other departments may be substituted for the Classical Civilization course with prior approval of department chair. Competency at the intermediate level in Latin, French or German is recommended.
- III. Other departmental requirements—Major competency will be demonstrated by comprehensive departmental examinations consisting of 3 hours of written Greek translation, one hour of essays on Classical culture, a one-hour oral examination on literature, history, and culture based on student readings over the course of study. Formal presentation of research conducted in CLAS 498 will be part of the demonstration of competency. Writing and information literacy competencies will be demonstrated in CLAS 498.

Concentration in Latin

This program is recommended for students interested in Classics, linguistics, medieval studies, ancient history, archaeology, secondary school education licensure or law school.

- I. Required courses in the major—at least 30 hours, including 18 hours of Latin language courses chosen from CLAS 313, 332, 352, 412, 422, 432, 452, 462; 3-4 hours from the Classical Civilization courses; 6 hours chosen from CLAS 212 (if taken before enrolling in upper level Latin language course), 300-400 level Classics language courses, additional Classical Civilization courses, or special topics courses covering Latin themes; and CLAS 498. Using special topics courses to fulfill major requirements needs prior approval of the department chair.

- II. Required courses outside major—None. Courses dealing with the Greco-Roman world offered by other departments may be substituted for the Classical Civilization course with prior approval of department chair. Competency at the intermediate level in Greek, French or German is recommended.
- III. Other departmental requirements—Major and oral competency will be demonstrated by comprehensive departmental examinations consisting of 3 hours of written Latin translation, one hour of essays on Classical culture, a one-hour oral examination on literature, history, and culture based on student readings over the course of study. Formal presentation of research conducted in CLAS 498 will be part of the demonstration of competency. Writing and information literacy competencies will be demonstrated in CLAS 498.

Concentration in Greek and Latin

This program is recommended for students interested in graduate study in Classics, or with an interest in comparative literature, linguistics, art history, archaeology, or ancient history, or who simply wish to develop a high level of general education.

- I. Required courses in the major—at least 36 hours, including 21 hours of Greek and Latin language courses (with at least 6 hours in each language) chosen from 313, 320, 330, 332, 340, 352, 400, 410, 412, 422, 432, 450, 452, 460, 462; 3-4 hours from the Classical Civilization courses; 9 hours chosen from CLAS 211, 212 (if taken before enrolling in upper level language courses), 300-400 level Classics language courses, additional Classical Civilization courses, or special topics courses covering Greek and Latin themes; and CLAS 498. Using special topics courses to fulfill major requirements needs prior approval of the department chair.
- II. Required courses outside major—None. Courses dealing with the Greco-Roman world offered by other departments may be substituted for the Classical Civilization course with prior approval of department chair. Competency at the intermediate level in French or German is recommended.
- III. Other departmental requirements—Major and oral competency will be demonstrated by a comprehensive departmental examination consisting of 3 hours of written Greek and Latin translation, one hour of essays on Classical culture, a one-hour oral examination on literature, history and culture based on student readings over the course of study. Formal presentation of research conducted in CLAS 498 will be part of the demonstration of competency. Writing and information literacy competencies will be demonstrated in CLAS 498.

Add: On page 103, in place of deleted entries, **Concentration in Classical Languages and Literatures:**

- I. Required courses in the major—36 hours, including: 4 hours from the Classical civilization courses: 250, 325, 326, 385, 386, 425, 426; 20 hours from Greek and/or Latin language courses: CLAS 305, 306, 307, 308, 405, 406, 407, 408; 8 additional hours chosen from CLAS 212 (if taken before enrolling in upper level Latin courses), 300-400 level Greek and Latin language courses, 200-400 level civilization courses; and CLAS 498. Note: if pursuing Latin licensure, all 20 hours of language courses must be Latin.
- II. Required courses outside the major—None. Courses dealing with the Greco-Roman world offered by other departments may be substituted for the Classical Civilization course with

prior approval of department chair. Competency at the intermediate level in French or German is recommended.

- III. Other departmental requirements—Major and oral competencies will be demonstrated by a final examination consisting of two hours of written translation of Latin and/or Greek and successful completion of CLAS 498, which includes formal presentation of the research conducted in the course. Writing and Information Literacy competencies will also be demonstrated in CLAS 498.

2. Delete: On page 104, the entry for the **Concentration in Classical Studies:**

- I. Required courses in the major—37 hours, including one course from CLAS 250 or 354; one course from 315 or 316; one course from 350 or 356; two courses from 343, 344, 345; 6 hours from Greek or Latin language courses at the 200-400 level; 12 additional hours of Classics courses at the 300-400 level; and CLAS 498. ANTH 225, PHIL 250 or 255 may be substituted for one of the courses in the 12 additional hours. Other elective courses may also be substituted with prior approval of the department chair.
- II. Required courses outside major—None.
- III. Other departmental requirements—Major competency will be demonstrated by a final examination consisting of one hour of written translation in Latin or Greek, one hour on a prepared essay topic, two hours on unprepared essay topics, a one-hour oral examination on literature, history and culture based on student readings over the course of study. Formal presentation of research conducted in CLAS 498 will be part of the demonstration of competency. Writing and information literacy competencies will be demonstrated in CLAS 498.

Add: On page 104, in place of deleted entry:

- I. Required courses in the major—36 hours, including 4 hours from CLAS 325 or 326; 4 hours from CLAS 385 or 386; 4 hours from CLAS 425 or 426; 8 hours from Greek and/or Latin language courses at the 200-400 level; 12 additional hours from 200-400 level Classical Civilization courses; and CLAS 498. ANTH 225, PHIL 250 or 255 may be substituted for one of the courses in the 12 additional hours. Other elective courses may also be substituted with prior approval of department chair.
- II. Required courses outside major—None
- III. Other departmental requirements— Major and oral competencies will be demonstrated by a final examination consisting of one hour of written translation of Latin or Greek and successful completion of CLAS 498, which includes formal presentation of the research conducted in the course. Writing and Information Literacy competencies will also be demonstrated in CLAS 498.

3. Delete: On page 104, the entry under **Latin with Teacher Licensure:**

Licensure as a teacher in Latin requires the completion of the Latin program. See Education section for additional required professional education courses.

Add: On page 104, in place of deleted entry:

Licensure as a teacher in Latin requires the completion of the Classical Languages & Literatures concentration with all 20 hours of language courses being Latin. See Education section for additional required professional education courses.

Impact Statement: These changes reflect the reduction of our concentrations from five to three, and the completion of our upper division curriculum change from three to four credit hour courses. Combining the three previous concentrations for Greek and Latin relieves the faculty of the need to offer particular courses for those concentrations each semester, and give the students greater flexibility in choosing their courses for the major. Because of this, the change in the Greek concentration and Latin concentration from 30 to 36 hours is not an unsustainable increase, since it relieves students of the need to complete certain prescribed courses that could delay graduation (and thus require additional coursework). Our new concentration in Classical Languages & Literatures has the same number of hours as the former Greek and Latin together concentration, thus does not change the number of hours required for the degree overall. By combining the study of Greek and Latin into one concentration, we give our majors more flexibility in their choices within the major, thus ensuring on-time graduation. In the past, we have had students who needed one or two additional Greek or Latin courses beyond what was offered in order to meet the minimum required hours (this was usually due to declaring the major after the beginning of the sophomore year). Sometimes students had to delay graduation, or else our faculty had to commit to an independent study as an overload course. Our new configuration will eliminate the need for such solutions. We anticipate that current Greek and Latin students will be able to make the transition to the new curriculum smoothly with the help of their major adviser. Our Classical Civilization majors will actually have a one-hour decrease in required hours, so we anticipate no transitional issues.

Resource Statement: The proposed changes will have a positive impact on staffing and other departmental resources, since it will give us greater flexibility in offering upper level courses tailored to the needs of our majors.

Rationale: The reduction in the number of concentrations in Classics will make our major and minor requirements more sustainable.