

# Programme Specification<sup>1</sup>

## 1. Programme Title(s) and Code(s):

UCAS Code	GU Code
	Q820- 2000H
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#### 2. Academic Session:

2016-17

# 3. SCQF Level (see Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework Levels):

10

# 4. Credits:

480

# 5. Entrance Requirements:

Please refer to the current undergraduate prospectus at: http://www.gla.ac.uk/prospectuses/undergraduate/

# 6. ATAS Certificate Requirement (see <u>Academic Technology Approval Scheme</u>):

ATAS Certificate not required

#### 7. Attendance Type:

Both Full Time and Part Time

#### 8. Programme Aims:

This programme provides students with the opportunity to study the history, literature, philosophy and visual and material culture of classical antiquity, including, if desired, the study of Latin and/or classical Greek. Its aims are

- to provide an overall understanding of the cultures and societies of ancient Greece and Rome
- to provide opportunities to specialise in particular aspects of classical antiquity through taught courses and dissertation work

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if full advantage is taken of the learning opportunities that are provided. More detailed information on the learning outcomes, content and teaching, learning and assessment methods of each course can be found in course handbooks and other programme documentation and online at <a href="http://www.gla.ac.uk">www.gla.ac.uk</a>

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- to provide an understanding of the wide range of approaches which can be applied to the study of classical antiquity
- to provide an understanding of Classics as a discipline which is itself dynamic and evolving

#### 9. Intended Learning Outcomes of Programme:

The programme provides opportunities for students to develop and demonstrate knowledge and understanding, skills, qualities and other attributes in the following areas.

## Knowledge and Understanding

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:

- broad general knowledge of the history of classical antiquity (c. 776 B.C. A.D.180) and of its major cultural achievements
- detailed knowledge and understanding of a range of historical and literary topics within the field of Classics, including the topic chosen by the student for his or her dissertation
- understanding of the breadth of possible methods of studying and interpreting classical antiquity

#### Skills and Other Attributes

#### Subject-specific/practical skills

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:

- ability to engage in detailed analysis of primary sources relating to classical antiquity
- ability to relate their knowledge and understanding of the genres of classical literature to the interpretation of specific passages of classical literature
- ability to interpret examples of the visual and material culture of classical antiquity in relation to the genres and contexts of classical art, architecture and artefacts

#### Intellectual skills

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:

- ability to articulate and sustain extended and comprehensive academic argument in written form
- ability to assess oral and written material rapidly and then respond to the ideas so presented
- ability to assess and evaluate the importance of primary sources in constructing academic argument
- ability to assess and evaluate secondary literature in constructing academic argument

#### Transferable/key skills

- ability to communicate lucidly and effectively in written and oral form
- ability to use IT resources appropriate to the material which is being studied

ability to work to clear deadlines and plan work accordingly

#### 10. Typical Learning and Teaching Approaches:

The learning and teaching methods for this programme are

- the lecture. Lectures support student learning through the presentation of knowledge in coherent and lucid manner and facilitate structured and guided interpretation and methodological discussion. In the subject's research-led environment, lectures can also, where appropriate, give students access to research in progress prior to publication.
- the seminar. Seminars support the development of knowledge through the detailed study of specific issues and the development of skills by demanding critical engagement with primary and secondary material and clarity in oral presentation.

the supervision (if dissertation is taken). Supervision (of dissertation work) support students' development of the skills of formulating and answering a research question and of presenting their findings in coherent and lucid written form.

# 11. Typical Assessment Methods:

The assessment methods used by the subject area are:

- essays. Essay-writing assesses students' knowledge and understanding; it also enables them to demonstrate their subject-specific and transferable skills. In terms of intellectual skills, this method of assessment tests the ability to articulate and sustain academic argument and to assess and evaluate primary and secondary material in so doing
- commentary exercises. Commentary exercises assess students' knowledge and understanding; they also enable them to demonstrate their subject specific skills
- exams. Exams assess students' knowledge and understanding; they also provide an opportunity to test the ability to assess written material rapidly and respond to it.
- seminar presentations. Seminar presentations assess knowledge and understanding and subject-specific skills and the transferable skills of oral presentation and working to deadlines and may include use of IT resources. Seminars assess the ability to sustain academic argument and to assess and evaluate primary and secondary material in so doing
- dissertation (if taken). The dissertation assesses students' knowledge and understanding, their subjectspecific skills as relevant to the topic they are working on and their transferable skills. The dissertation provides an opportunity to assess the intellectual skills of formulating a research question, articulating and sustaining an extended and comprehensive academic argument and of assessing primary and secondary source material in constructing academic argument.

# 12. Programme Structure and Features:

A typical joint honours curriculum in Classics will be constructed as follows:

Year	Courses	Cred its	Possible Exit Points
1	Classical Civilisation 1A and	20	Certificate of Higher
	Classical Civilisation 1B	20	Education
	or		120 credits
	Greek 1A and	20	
	Greek 1B	20	
	or		
	Latin 1A and	20	
	Latin 1B	20	
	or		
	Students with an advanced knowledge of Latin (e.g. grade A or A* at A Level) may take Latin 2A and 2B in year one	40	
	Two Level 1 courses in a second Subject (which may be Classical Civilisation, Latin or Greek if not already taken)	40	
	Two Level 1 courses in a third Subject (which may be Classical Civilisation, Latin or Greek if not already taken)	40	
2	Classical Civilisation 2A and	20	Diploma of Higher

	Classical Civilisation 2B	20	Education
	or		240 credits
	Greek 2A and Greek 2B	20 20	
	or		
	Latin 2A and Latin 2B	20 20	
	or Latin 2C and Latin 2D (If 2A & 2B taken in year one)	20 20	
	Two Level 2 courses in second Subject (which may be Classical Civilisation, Latin, or Greek, if not already taken)	40	
	Two additional Level 1 courses	40	
3 Junior Hons	3 20-credit courses drawn from those honours courses offered in that session; students who have a B in Greek 2B may include courses drawn from the honours Greek provision and students who have a B in Latin 2B may include courses drawn from the honours Latin provision. Students who have not studied Latin and/or Greek before may start study of these languages	60	MA (ordinary)
	60 credits in the student's other joint honours subject	60	
4 Senior Hons	<b>Either</b> 1 20-credit courses drawn from those honours courses offered in that session; students who have a B in Greek 2B may include courses drawn from the honours Greek provision and students who have a B in Latin 2B may include courses drawn from the honours Latin provision and a dissertation (40 credits)	20	MA with Honours 480 credits
	or	40	
	3 20-credit courses drawn from those honours courses offered in that session; students who have a B in Greek 2B may include courses drawn from the honours Greek provision and students who have a B in Latin 2B may include courses drawn from the honours Latin provision. (In this case, the student <i>must</i> do a dissertation in their other joint honours subject).	60	

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# 13. Programme Accredited By:

#### 14. Location(s):

Glasgow

#### 15. College:

College of Arts

#### 16. Lead School/Institute:

Humanities [REG10300000]

# 17. Is this programme collaborative with another institution:

Select...

#### 18. Awarding Institution(s):

University of Glasgow

# **19. Teaching Institution(s):**

#### 20. Language of Instruction:

English

# 21. Language of Assessment:

English

# 22. Relevant QAA Subject Benchmark Statements (see <u>Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education</u>) and Other External or Internal Reference Points:

http://www.qaa.ac.uk/academicinfrastructure/benchmark/honours/classics.asp

# 23. Additional Relevant Information (if applicable):

Support for students is provided by the Postgraduate/Undergraduate Adviser(s) of Studies supported by University resources such as the Student Learning Service (<u>www.gla.ac.uk/services/sls/</u>), Counselling & Psychological Services (<u>www.gla.ac.uk/services/counselling/</u>), the Disability Service (<u>www.gla.ac.uk/services/studentdisability/</u>) and the Careers Service (<u>www.gla.ac.uk/services/careers/</u>).

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24. Date of approval: