ANCIENT WORLD WITH A YEAR ABROAD BA / UCAS CODE: Q806 2020 ENTRY

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Ancient World with a Year Abroad BA /

This four-year programme follows the same curriculum as the Ancient World BA, but offers the additional opportunity to spend the third year abroad at an approved university in Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Spain or Switzerland.

Key information

Programme starts
September 2020

Location
London, Bloomsbury

Degree benefits

// UCL is ranked in the top three universities in the UK for Classics by the Guardian University Guide 2018.

// You will have access to an unparalleled range of options, from Roman Love Poetry to Greek Palaeography, from Ancient Greek Religion to Roman Epic.

// UCL has excellent library facilities, and is ideally situated close to world-renowned resources such as the British Museum, the British Library, and the Institute of Classical Studies.

// The lively student-run Classical Society organises an annual Classics play (a Greek or Latin drama in translation) shown at the nearby Bloomsbury Theatre, as well as other events.

Degree structure

In each year of your degree you will take a number of individual modules, normally valued at 15 or 30 credits, adding up to a total of 120 credits for the year. Modules are assessed in the academic year in which they are taken. The balance of compulsory and optional modules varies from programme to programme and year to year. A 30-credit module is considered equivalent to 15 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

This flexible programme offers an almost entirely free choice of modules covering classical literature, history and archaeology, and does not require prior knowledge of Greek or Latin.

In the first year, all students must take at least 30 credits of either Latin or Greek — they continue with this same language in the next year to complete the 45 credit requirement. Students must also take one history module, one archaeology module, and one compulsory module on the ancient world in their first year.

You will also take 45 credits of the modern language of the country in which the third year is to be spent, in years one and two.

The third year will be spent abroad, and in the fourth year, students take an Extended Essay module.

YEAR ONE

Core or compulsory module(s)

- CLAS0004 Approaches to the Ancient World (15 credits)
- GREK* or LATN* modules at the appropriate level (30 credits) e.g. Beginners Latin/Greek A and B
- At least 15 credits from the modules offered by the History Department for Year 1 students within the Ancient World field of study.
- At least 15 credits from the modules offered by the Institute of Archaeology for Year 1 students within the Ancient World field of study.
- Up to 30 credits of a modern language (depending on prior proficiency) of the country intended to be visited in year three

Optional modules

- Up to 45 credits of modules at level 4 or above (for a total of 120 credits for the year) either within the Ancient World field of study or outside of it

YEAR TWO

Core or compulsory module(s)

- At least 15 credits of the Ancient Language chosen in the first year
- Up to 15 credits of a modern language (depending on prior proficiency) of the country intended to be visited in year three

Optional modules

- Up to 105 credits of modules at level 5 or above (for a total of 120 credits for the programme for the year) either within the Ancient World field of study or outside of it

YEAR THREE

- Year abroad at an approved university.
- CLAS0144 Greek and Latin Study Abroad 1 (60 credits, level 5)
- CLAS0145 Greek and Latin Study Abroad 2 (60 credits, level 5)
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FINAL YEAR

Core or compulsory module(s)

- CLAS0043 Extended Essay (15 credits, level 6) OR
- a 30 credit, level 6, dissertation module from the History Department (as part of the Special Subject Group 3 modules worth 2 units, taken by the special permission of the Ancient World Degree Tutor) or
- a 30 credit, level 6, dissertation from the Department of Archaeology (taken by the special permission of the Ancient World Degree Tutor).

Optional modules

- You will select up to 105 credits (for a total of 120 credits for the programme for the year) from a wide range of optional modules either within the Ancient World field of study or outside of it.

Your learning

You will be taught through lectures, seminars and small-group work. Some sessions involve direct study of artefacts, including access to the collections of the British Museum.

Assessment

Most modules combine both continuous assessment and end-of-year written examinations, although a few modules are assessed solely by one or other of these methods.

Your career

Knowledge of languages such as Latin and Greek may allow you to develop mental agility and versatility, equipping you with the ability (amongst other things) to learn modern languages with comparative ease, opening up a wider range of possibilities in the future.

The Ancient World with a Year Abroad BA is a rigorous and broad-ranging degree which qualifies you for a remarkably wide variety of jobs. The Classical Society hosts regular talks from former students which may help guide you in your future career choices.

Your application

Application for admission should be made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). Applicants currently at school or college will be provided with advice on the process; however, applicants who have left school or who are based outside the United Kingdom may obtain information directly from UCAS.

Entry to the degree is competitive so it is important you highlight your interest in and passion for the subject in your application. In addition to meeting the academic standards stated, we look for dedication and self-motivation, good communication skills and a real enthusiasm for your chosen area of study.

Each application is carefully assessed. Those candidates being considered for an offer will be invited to an applicant open day, which will include a lunch with staff and current students where you can discuss the degree programme, living in London and studying at UCL, and take a tour of the campus.
Entry requirements

A LEVELS
Standard Offer: AAB. No specific subjects.

Contextual Offer: BBB. No specific subjects.

GCSE
English Language at grade B or 6, Mathematics at grade C or 5 and an ancient or modern foreign language at grade C or 5 (to be attained prior to admission).

IB DIPLOMA
Standard Offer: 36 points. A score of 17 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

Contextual Offer: 32 points. A score of 15 points in three higher level subjects, with no score lower than 5.

CONTEXTUAL OFFERS – ACCESS UCL SCHEME
As part of our commitment to increasing participation from underrepresented groups, students may be eligible for a contextual offer as part of the Access UCL scheme. For more information see www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
UCL considers a wide range of UK and international qualifications for entry into its undergraduate programmes. Full details are given at: www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals

UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATORY CERTIFICATES (International foundation courses)
UCL Undergraduate Preparatory Certificates (UPCs) are intensive one-year foundation courses for international students of high academic potential who are aiming to gain access to undergraduate degree programmes at UCL and other top UK universities.

Typical UPC students will be high achievers in a 12-year school system which does not meet the standard required for direct entry to UCL.

For more information see: www.ucl.ac.uk/upc.

TUITION FEES
The fees indicated are for undergraduate entry in the 2020/21 academic year. The UK/EU fees shown are for the first year of the programme at UCL only. Fees for future years may be subject to an inflationary increase. The Overseas fees shown are the fees that will be charged to 2020/21 entrants for each year of study on the programme, unless otherwise indicated below.

// UK & EU: £9,250 (2020/21)
// Overseas: £21,260 (2020/21)

Full details of UCL’s tuition fees, tuition fee policy and potential increases to fees can be found on the UCL Students website.

Additional costs
There may be site visits within central London, incurring costs. Some modules may require the purchase of specific books. Module descriptions and recommended texts are outlined each year on the Greek and Latin website, normally from February of the preceding year. Year Abroad costs are summarised at www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/undergraduate/fees-funding/uk-eu/studying-abroad

FUNDING
Various funding options are available, including student loans, scholarships and bursaries. UK students whose household income falls below a certain level may also be eligible for a non-repayable bursary or for certain scholarships. Please see the Fees and funding pages for more details.

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Brexit
For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to: www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit

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