

Department of Classics

About the department

The Classics Department is a centre of excellence for both teaching and research. Our staff are international specialists who publish regularly in all branches of classical literature, ancient history, philosophy, art and archaeology. A wide selection of modules is available to visiting students from language work to literary, historical, archaeological and philosophical topics. **The following is a complete list of all the Classics modules available to Visiting Students.** If there are issues on which you have questions which are not addressed here, you will have an opportunity to raise them with Dr Susie Ashton (Susannah.Ashton@rhul.ac.uk) during the application process. Once you start your studies at Royal Holloway, the Visiting Students Co-ordinator for Classics will be available to support you with your queries.

Entry requirements

The modules listed below are open to all Study Abroad, International and Erasmus students, subject to any required previous knowledge or qualifications, as stated in the module outlines below.

Each module is either 15 or 30 UK Credits and starts in either the Autumn Term (September) or the Spring Term (January). When the college timetable finalises in September, it may become necessary to change/swap a module due to a clash either with another chosen module within Classics or, more often, with other chosen modules from other Departments. In such a case, the Classics Advisor will offer advice and guidance on possible alternative Classics modules from the present list.

The information contained in the module outlines on the following pages is correct at the time of publication but may be subject to change as part of our policy of continuous improvement and development.

Module options for visiting students 2025-26

Module number	Module title	Run time	UK Credits	Link to syllabus
CL1705/CL2705	Beginners/ Intensive Greek	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1715/CL2715	Intermediate Greek	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1727/2727	Advanced Greek	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1755/CL2755	Beginners/Intensive Latin	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1765/CL2765	Intermediate Latin	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1777/CL2777	Advanced Latin	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1530	Introduction to Greek Literature	UG Term One	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1550	Introduction to Greek History and the City State	UG Term One	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1580	Introduction to Greek Archaeology	UG Term One	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1534	Roman Literature of the Empire	UG Term Two	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL1560	Key Themes in Roman History	UG Term Two	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)

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CL1581	Introduction to Roman Archaeology	UG Term Two	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2195	Life in the Big City	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2352	Greek History to 322 BC	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2358	Spinning the Past: Greek Historiography from Herodotos to Diodoros	UG Term One	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2369	Historiography of the Roman World	UG Term Two	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2436	Homer in Translation	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2442	Greek Drama	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2448	Power and the Individual in Ovid's <i>Metamorphoses</i>	UG Term One	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2488	Empire and its Others in Virgil's <i>Aeneid</i>	UG Term One	15.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2816	Imperial Greek Literature (Greek language module)	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)
CL2819	Encounters with Latin Poetry (Latin language module)	UG Full Year	30.00	Syllabus Information (royalholloway.ac.uk)