



CLAS2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

The [Master \[120\] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics](#) trains students to become specialists in the study of texts written in Greek and Latin. By working on original sources, this degree develops the ability to interpret in context the thinking of a writer or an issue in society.

The challenge for graduates of this course, in a civilisation of the moment like ours, is to be able to promote rigorous analysis of facts on the basis of original sources and, within a long term perspective, to develop a critical faculty and intellectual autonomy and to acquire in-depth expertise in the linguistic, historical and cultural fields of the sources of European and Western civilisation.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Become expert in and apply knowledge in the specific field of classical languages and literature.

1.1. Attain expert knowledge of two ancient, classical languages including their vocabulary, grammar (morphology and syntax) and dialectology, their synchronous operation and their diachronic development.

1.2. Apply knowledge of vocabulary and grammar to Greek and Latin texts, within the framework of different activities: translations into and out of the language studied, individual research, preparation of oral presentations and production of written work.

o Comparatisme (au moins 5 crédits)

Tous les cours sont bisannuels. Au moins un cours en premier ou en second bloc annuel devra être suivi.

⌘ LGLOR2802	Indo-European Comparative Linguistics	Leonid Kulikov	📅 [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LGLOR2390	Typology and permanence of mythical imagineries		📅 [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X
⌘ LGLOR2204	Seminar on Literary Translation from Ancient Languages into French : History, Theory and Practice	Aline Smeesters	📅 [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X	X

⌘ Autres cours (le solde éventuel des crédits, pour un maximum de 5 crédits)

Students may take one other course:

- a course from the research focus.

- for students enrolled in the teaching focus, a didactics' course in another discipline (provided that they complete 10 hours of teaching practice in this discipline).

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⌘ LHIST2361	Governing and societies: In-depth questions I (A. Greek Antiquity)		FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LHIST2371	Governing and societies: In-depth questions II (A. Roman Antiquity)	Françoise Van Haeperen	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LHIST2711	In-depth questions on economic history (Antiquity)		FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LHIST2731	Religions of Rome and the Roman world	Françoise Van Haeperen	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits]	X	X

⌘ **Archéologie antique**

⌘ LARKO2350	Greek Archaeology	Jean Vanden Broeck-Parant	FR [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] > English-friendly	X	X
⌘ LARKO2342	Archaeology of Aegean Protohistory	Charlotte Langohr	FR [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] > English-friendly	X	X
⌘ LARKO2372	Archaeology and Art History of Rome and the Roman Provinces	Valentina Limina (compensates Marco Cavalieri)	FR [q1] [45h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LARKO2360	Special questions in Etruscan and Pre-Roman civilisations of Italy	Marco Cavalieri	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X

⌘ **Histoire des sciences et de la pensée**

⌘ LFIAL2552	Seminar of History of sciences of antiquity	Grégory Clesse	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LFIAL2551	Seminar of History of sciences in the Middle Ages	Godefroid de Callatay Baudouin Van den Abeele	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LFILO2142	Ancient Philosophy (Advanced Studies)	David Machek (compensates Pierre Destrée)	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X
⌘ LFILO2143	Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy (Advanced Studies)	Jacob Schmutz	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	X

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

What is a preparatory module?

It is a set of supplementary classes (courses, practical works, seminars, etc.) from the first cycle (see the non-exhaustive list below). The complementary module (maximum 60 credits) is tailor-made by the jury according to the student's educational background and added to the Master's programme in order to acquire fundamental knowledge to then pursue the 120 credits of the Master's programme.

Who is it for?

- Students from a non-university higher education institution
- Candidates admitted with additional training
- Candidates admitted on the file with additional training

All the explanations are in [this document](#) (in French).

- Mandatory
- ⊗ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2024-2025
- ⊙ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
- [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

o Greek and Latin Languages : (40 credits)

○ LFIAL1770 [Greek I](#)

Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

CLAS2M - Information

Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

General and specific admission requirements for this programme must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university.

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

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Specific access requirements

1° Student must hold a first level university degree.

2° Candidates who do not hold a higher education diploma from the French Community of Belgium (or from a country where French is the only official language) must provide proof of sufficient mastery of the French language at level **B2** of the [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#).

In the absence of an official certificate issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see <https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members>), a certificate issued by the University showing that the candidate has been taught in French may be accepted.

Examples of tests recognized by the jury for French: [DELF](#) or [TCF](#).

3° To have developed the following skills in the context of their previous academic training:

- Introduction to classical studies;
- Civilisations of antiquity (philosophy, history and archaeology);
- Greek language and literature;
- Latin language and literature;
- Philosophy;
- History and Historical Criticism ;
- Linguistic and literary theory;
- Modern languages and literatures.

In the absence of sufficient training in one or more of these subjects, supplementary classes will be integrated into the master's programme (from 15 credits to a maximum of 60 credits). This [preparatory module](#) is established by the jury on the basis of the student's previous course of study.

Course equivalences are submitted for approval to the jury (small panel).

4° Students wishing to pursue a master's degree with a teaching focus must have a degree of the French Community of Belgium; failing this, they will have to pass a French language proficiency examination to demonstrate that their command of written and spoken French is equivalent to level C1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (for further information, visit <https://uclouvain.be/en/study/inscriptions/french-language-master-teaching.html>).

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			

	followed the Greek language and literature courses in their major and the following courses in the minor: LGLOR1230, LGLOR1331 ou LGLOR1332, LGLOR1431 and a course of Latin Authors (LGLOR1731 or LGLOR1732)		If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.
Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	If students have chosen the Minor in Antiquity: Egypt, Eastern World, Greece, Rome and provided that they have followed the following courses in their minor: LGLOR1270, LGLOR1321 or LGLOR1322, LGLOR1422 and a Greek Authors course	Access with additional training	Maximum 15 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures		Access with additional training	Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme
Any other Bachelor of the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters		Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics		Direct access	
Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures (Latin and French)		Access with additional training	Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (Latin and French)	Proficiency in French at level B1 (CEFR)	Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (Latin/...) Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (Greek/...)	Proficiency in French at level B1 (CEFR)	Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Foreign Bachelors			
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures (including the study of Latin and/or Greek)		Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Access on the file). All applicants must check that they meet the specific access requirements.

Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about [links](#) to the university

Only applicable to graduates of higher education institutions of the French Community of Belgium

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
Licence en langues et littératures classiques		Direct access	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Masters			
Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Classics		Direct access	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration) Taking into account the student's educational background will allow 45 to 60 credits to be exempted.
Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics, second focus		Direct access	At the end of Master 120, each focus of the Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics can be obtained in a new programme of 30 credits.
Master [120] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures Master [60] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures		Access with additional training	Programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Oriental Studies		Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Foreign Masters		Access based on application	All candidates must ensure that they meet the specific access requirements. In case of admission, maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the Master's programme (consult Acces on the file).

Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

Only applicable to graduates of higher education institutions of the French Community of Belgium

Access based on validation of professional experience

> It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about [Validation of priori experience](#).

Candidates who do not fulfil the abovementioned admission requirements, but who have duly attested significant experience relevant to the field of study in question, may apply for admission to the programme on the basis of an individualised admission procedure.

For more information on the procedure for admission by validation of learning from experience (VAE) in the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters: <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/valorisation-des-acquis-de-l-experience-vae.html>.

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Admissibility criteria

A candidate's application will be deemed admissible if it meets all of the following criteria:

- Candidate's diploma issued by an **institution recognized by WHED** (see <https://www.whed.net/home.php>)
- Previous course of study including **at least 3 years of higher education** (equivalent to 180 European credits), leading to an undergraduate degree;
- For holders of a **degree from outside Belgium**:

1. an overall average of at least 60% (12/20) for the entire course of study completed at the home institution and giving access to this program;
2. official attestation of proficiency in language(s) at the required level (see specific entry requirements), to be attached to the application file. The official attestation must be issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see <https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members>).

If a document is missing from the online application, it must be justified (see [UCLouvain Enrolment Department's frequently asked questions](#), in particular "[What do I do if my online application asks for a document I don't yet have?](#)")

Applications deemed admissible are forwarded to the Faculty by Enrolment Services. Applications that do not meet these criteria are automatically rejected.

Eligibility criteria

Applications submitted to the Faculty by UCLouvain's Enrolment Department are examined by the program's jury in accordance with the specific conditions of access detailed above.

The jury decides on the admissibility of candidates on the basis of the information contained in their application file, the quality of the training they have undergone and the results they have obtained.

When examining the application, the jury will pay particular attention to the following points:

- **Consistency** between the candidate's previous academic career and the prerequisites for the targeted program. The match between the candidate's academic background and the UCLouvain bachelor's degree giving direct access to the master's program need not be perfect, but the skills acquired (see specific access conditions) must be close; Example: for an application for admission to a master's program in modern languages and literature, the candidate's previous training includes courses in languages and literature in both modern languages.
- **Grades** obtained in the program's major disciplines (see specific entry requirements);
- **Arguments** put forward by the applicant in his or her cover letter (training project in line with the program in question, relevance of arguments, coherence between the applicant's application and the program in question, etc.) Example: the language combination requested by the applicant is organized in the program in question.
- **Original covering letter**. An original covering letter is expected, explaining the personal training project. Any plagiarism or use of artificial intelligence in writing the letter to the jury will result in the application being disqualified.
- **Experience gained**. If the access diploma was obtained more than 5 years ago, it is imperative that the experience acquired since leaving school is directly related to the field of study of the programme applied for.

Changes to the conditions of access to the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters for 2025-2026 will be available in this [document](#) .

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Specific professional rules

Successful completion of the master's course with **teaching focus** leads to the award of the master's degree with teaching focus and the title of secondary school education specialist.

The [Réforme des Titres et Fonctions](#) ("Titles and Functions Reform"), in force since 1 September 2016, is intended to harmonise the titles, functions and pay scales of basic and secondary education professionals in French Community of Belgium networks.

It also aims to guarantee the priority of preferred titles over minimum titles and to establish a regime for titles in short supply.

AESS holders can learn which functions they can carry out and the pay scales from which they can benefit by [clicking here](#).

The university cannot be held responsible for any problems that students may encounter at a later date with a view to a teaching appointment in the French Community of Belgium.

Teaching method

The different pathways offered in the programme (focuses) give the student the chance to gear his training towards his skills and interests and thus acquire relative autonomy in his training. The different modules on the programme offer a coherent set of courses.

Most courses on the programme implement interactive pedagogy, inspired by the project "gérer sa formation" or "manage your

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