



CLAS2M - Introduction

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In the linguistic field, the emphasis is on the academic study of the working and the history of classical languages, as well as improving operational command of Greek and Latin (translation exercises, prose or scan reading).

The fields of literature, literary history and commentary on authors include all the tools of philological analysis (grammar, textual criticism and study of sources, etc.), but also modern methods of literary analysis (intertextuality, narratology, etc.).

Your profile

You

- have established your liking for literary or linguistic issues relating to classical civilisations;
- wish to develop your ability to carry out an original piece of research and defend the results;
- are looking for a training course which offers you the opportunity to specialise in your chosen fields;
- seek to enhance your profile with professional skills and to benefit from the opportunity to put them to the test in the field.

Your future job

Graduates in ancient languages and letters undertake their studies through a liking or even a passion for antiquity and, while most of them decide to do the high level teacher training course, half of them work in education.

Studying classics leads new graduates into the private and public sectors as well as research. They have various jobs and roles; their training has given them the necessary flexibility, the rigour and the ability to learn.

Your programme

The Master's degree offers you

- demanding methodological training which is applied to your subject of research;
- a wide interdisciplinary range: history, archaeology, philosophy, etc.
- the possibility of a study visit abroad or work experience in the field;
- the opportunity to focus your career development towards applied professional fields.

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.



LIST OF FOCUSES

- > [Research Focus](#) [en-prog-2024-clas2m-lclas200a]
- > [Teaching Focus](#) [en-prog-2024-clas2m-lclas200d]

RESEARCH FOCUS [30.0]

Research training in classical philology. Students who opt for this specialization will further their knowledge and understanding of the evolution of classical languages and civilizations.

- Mandatory
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- 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 \(objectives, methods, evaluation...\)](#)

Year

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

⌘ **Archéologie antique**

⌘ LARKO2350	Greek Archaeology	Jean Vanden Broeck-Parant	FB		
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TEACHING FOCUS [30.0]

IMPORTANT NOTE: In accordance with article 138 para. 4 of the decree of 7 November 2013 concerning higher education and the academic organisation of studies, teaching practice placements will not be assessed in the September session. Students are required to make every effort to successfully complete the teaching practice in the June session, subject to having to retake the year.

The teaching focus is concerned with preparation for teaching at the higher levels of secondary education.

The programme is designed to develop the following skills:

- design, planning and assessment of practice;
- ability to assess practices and their context;
- understanding of the educational institution, its setting and players.

Three kinds of activities are involved :

- teaching practice at the higher levels of secondary education (60 hours);
- seminars;
- lectures.

They are divided into two categories:

- teaching practice, multidisciplinary courses and seminars, common to all subjects. They have the code LAGRE (13 credits);
- subject-based teaching practice, courses and seminars (17 credits).

The teaching focus of the 120 credit Master's degree includes the training which leads to the qualification for teaching in secondary education (Agrégation de l'enseignement secondaire supérieur – AESS) (300 hours - 30 credits), in accordance with the Decrees of 8 February 2001 and that of 17 December 2003 (concerning the basis of neutrality) relating to the initial training of teachers at the higher levels of secondary education in the French Community in Belgium.

These 30 credits also make up the AESS programme in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics which can be taken after a 60 credit or a 120 credit Master's degree.

In practical terms, successful completion of the Master's degree with the teaching focus leads also to the award of professional status as a secondary education teacher. Assessment of the skills in the AESS programme is spread over the Master's degree program.

Students may if they wish combine this focus with an Erasmus or Mercator exchange which must take place either during the 2nd semester of the first block or the 1st semester of the second block. All courses for the teaching focus must, however, be taken at UCLouvain.

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 - ⌘ Optional
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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).

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o Greek and Latin Languages : (40 credits)

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Greek I

Course prerequisites

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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.

SUMMARY

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	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			

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

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree



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 eartificial2uages eat do I do if my ifissingcally

Specific professional rules

Faculty

Structure entity

Denomination

Sector

Acronym

Postal address

SSH/FIAL

Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters ([FIAL](#))

Human Sciences ([SSH](#))

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