

ANCIENT HISTORY AND MEDITERRANEAN ARCHAEOLOGY MINOR

Banner Code: AHMA

Academic Advising

3200 Horizon Hall
Fairfax Campus

Website: <https://historyarthistory.gmu.edu/programs/la-minor-hist-ahma>

This interdisciplinary minor is for students with diverse interests in the material culture of the ancient world. Coursework combines the study of archaeology, literature, art, history, philosophy, myth, and religion. The scope of the minor is not limited to Greece and Rome but touches on all the ancient civilizations of the Mediterranean and the heirs of late antiquity such as Byzantium and early Islam.

The minor represents foundation work crucial to graduate study in traditional departments of classical, near Eastern, or Mediterranean art and archaeology. Students should consult with the director for help in choosing a program of study that will complement their major.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. For policies governing all minors, see AP.5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

Requirements

Total credits: 18

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

Core Courses

Select one course (3 credits) from each of the four categories below:

Code	Title	Credits
Near East and Northern Africa		3
ARTH 318	Art and Archaeology of Ancient Egypt	
ARTH 319	Art and Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
RELI 350	Religion and History of Ancient Israel	
RELI 381	Beginnings of Christianity	
Greece		3
HIST 301	Classical Greece	
ARTH 321	Greek Art and Archaeology (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ARTH 324	From Alexander the Great to Cleopatra: The Hellenistic World (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	

Rome/Late Antiquity		3
HIST 302	Classical Rome	
HIST 388	Topics in European History (when topic is Fall of the Roman Empire)	
ARTH 322	Roman Art and Archaeology (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ARTH 333	Early Christian and Byzantine Art (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
Archaeological Methods		3
ANTH 114	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ANTH 325	Field Techniques in Archaeology	
ANTH 377	Mortuary Archaeology	
Total Credits		12

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select 6 credits from the following:		6
ANTH 357	Bioarchaeology	
ANTH 388	Human Osteology	
ANTH 389	Human Osteology Lab	
ANTH 393	Paleopathology	
ARTH 320	Art of the Islamic World (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ARTH 420	Advanced Studies in Ancient Art	
HIST 281	Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
RELI 352	Judaism from Exile to Talmud	
RELI 356	Jesus and the Gospels	
RELI 365	Muhammad: Life and Legacy	
PHIL 301	History of Western Philosophy: Ancient	
CLAS 240	Greek and Latin Elements in English	
CLAS 250	Classical Mythology (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
CLAS 260	The Legacy of Greece and Rome (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
CLAS 330	Roman Law and Society	
CLAS 340	Greek and Roman Epic (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
CLAS 350	Greek and Roman Tragedy (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
CLAS 360	Greek and Roman Comedy (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
CLAS 380	Greek and Roman Novels (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
CLAS 390	Topics in Classical Literature and Culture	

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Course in core requirement list above but not used to meet the core requirement

Study Abroad course approved by the minor director

Any undergraduate course in a relevant academic language (Arabic, French, German, Latin, ancient Greek) beyond the language requirement for the BA in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Total Credits

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