

ANCIENT LANGUAGES POSTBACCALAUREATE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Person-in-Charge	Daniel Falk
Program Code	ANCLNG
Campus(es)	University Park

Advanced study in classical studies, ancient history, ancient philosophy, biblical studies, Egyptology, or ancient Near Eastern studies requires demonstrable proficiency in one or more ancient languages. The certificate in Ancient Languages, comprising 12 credits, is designed to provide proficiency in at least one ancient language for students who have completed an appropriate undergraduate degree and are planning to pursue graduate work in one of these fields. Training in a second ancient language is offered, and a writing-intensive course in a subject relevant to the student's interest will strengthen preparation for graduate-level research and writing.

Effective Semester: Fall 2024

Expiration Semester: Summer 2029

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-admissions/how-to-apply/>). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/>). International applicants may be required to satisfy an English proficiency requirement; see GCAC-305 Admission Requirements for International Students (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students/>) for more information.

The applicant's baccalaureate degree must be in any humanities field that includes at least one year of study in an ancient language.

Certificate Requirements

Requirements listed here are in addition to requirements listed in Graduate Council policy GCAC-212 Postbaccalaureate Credit Certificate Programs (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-200/gcac-212-postbaccalaureate-credit-certificate-programs/>).

A grade of B or better must be earned in each course to satisfy the certificate.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
Select 9 credits from the following; at least 6 credits must be in one language:		9
CAMS 420	Aramaic	
CAMS 471	Sumerian	
CAMS 472	Akkadian	
CAMS 481	Introduction to Middle Egyptian & Hieroglyphics	

CAMS 490	Ancient Mediterranean Languages	
CAMS 520	Advanced Sumerian	
CAMS 521	Advanced Akkadian	
CAMS 522	Comparative Semitics	
GREEK 420	Greek Prose Authors	
GREEK 425	Greek Historians	
GREEK 430	Greek Poetry	
GREEK 440	Greek Drama	
GREEK 496	Independent Studies	
GREEK 520	Greek Mythography	
GREEK 596	Individual Studies	
HEBR 451	Advanced Biblical Hebrew	
HEBR 452	Readings in Biblical Hebrew	
HEBR 496	Independent Studies	
LATIN 402	Republican Literature	
LATIN 403	Augustan Age Literature	
LATIN 404	Silver Age Literature	
LATIN 450W	History of Latin	
LATIN 496	Independent Studies	
LATIN 510	Latin Seminar	
LATIN 596	Individual Studies	
Select 3 credits from the following:		3
CAMS 400W	Comparative Study of the Ancient Mediterranean World	
CAMS 405	Law & Economy in the Ancient Near East (when taught as a writing intensive section)	
CAMS 410	Classical Epic (when taught as a writing intensive section)	
CAMS 411W	Classical Drama	
CAMS 440W	Studies in Classical and Ancient Mediterranean Archaeology	
CAMS 470	Languages and Cultures of the Ancient Near East (when taught as a writing intensive section)	
CAMS/JST 480	Greeks and Persians (when taught as a writing intensive section)	
CAMS 501	Comparative Greek and Latin Grammar	
CAMS 503	Seminar on Ancient Mediterranean Languages	
CAMS 550	Proseminar	
CAMS 560	Research Seminar	
CAMS 596	Individual Studies	
Total Credits		12

Courses

Graduate courses carry numbers from 500 to 699 and 800 to 899. Advanced undergraduate courses numbered between 400 and 499 may be used to meet some graduate degree requirements when taken by graduate students. Courses below the 400 level may not. A graduate student may register for or audit these courses in order to make up deficiencies or to fill in gaps in previous education but not to meet requirements for an advanced degree.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students will gain proficiency in at least one of the ancient languages offered by the department.

2. Students will gain further experience with the research methodologies of their given field.
3. Students will gain preparation for graduate work in one of the fields of CAMS.

Contact

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