

Classics and Ancient History Graduates

An Exeter graduate in Classics and Ancient History will typically have the ability to:

- understand another culture and a complementary range of subjects such as language, literature, linguistics, philosophy, history, art and archaeology;
- command techniques and methodologies such as bibliographical and library research skills, a range of skills in reading and textual analysis, the varieties of historical method, the visual skills characteristic of art criticism, use of statistics, philosophical argument and analysis, analytical grasp of language, and skills in translation from and/or into Greek and/or Latin;
- understand a range of viewpoints and critical approaches;
- exercise reflection and critical judgment;
- gather, memorise, organise and deploy information;
- extract key elements from data and identify and solve associated problems;
- engage in analytical, evaluative and lateral thinking and to marshal argument;
- present material orally and in writing;
- work with others, work under pressure and meet deadlines;
- apply modern foreign language skills and basic IT skills;
- demonstrate autonomy manifested in self-direction, self-discipline and intellectual initiative.

Did you know that a degree in Classics and Ancient History can provide you with an excellent range of skills such as developing logical thinking, interpreting, assessing and evaluating information and good communication skills?

All the skills listed above could potentially be incorporated into your CV, application form or job interview.

What can you do with your degree?

Specific knowledge gained from studying Classics and Ancient History is important if you wish to pursue a career in archives, museums and teaching. A first degree in Classics and Ancient History also provides strong transferable skills that can be utilised across a variety of careers as well as further study. These include: self motivation, team work, an ability to work autonomously, time and priority management, flexibility when faced with new situations and the ability to think creatively, self-critically and independently.

These are examples of the destinations of recent graduates from the Classics and Ancient History course(s) at Exeter, who were surveyed six months after graduation:

Employment

- Officer Cadet, British Army, Sandhurst
- Archivist, Horsey Lightly Solicitors, Newbury
- Graduate Trainee Teacher of Classics, Oakham School, Oakham
- English Teacher, JET Programme, Japan
- Researcher, Carlson Marketing Group UK, Putney
- Campaign Organiser, Star, London
- Press Officer, Galpa Ltd, Banbury
- Actor, The Old Vic Theatre, London
- Academic Administrator, University of the Arts, London
- Personal Incident Manager, Norwich Union, Exeter

Further study

- MSc Classical Archaeology, Oxford University
- MA Classics and Ancient History, University of Exeter
- PGCE Secondary History, University of Warwick
- Graduate Diploma in Law
- MA Ancient and Medieval Warfare, University of Cardiff
- MA Human Resource Management, Middlesex University and HR Graduate Scheme
- MA English, University of Exeter

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What next?

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