How to Apply:

Submit your application to the Bridge MA in Classical Studies using the University of Michigan’s Rackham Graduate School online application. This process is outlined at:

www.rackham.umich.edu/admissions

Use Program Code: 00125

Application Requirements Include:

- Transcripts
- Academic Statement outlining your interests and goals
- Three letters of recommendation
- Student Writing Sample – not to exceed 20 pages
- Personal Statement explaining how your personal experiences will contribute to the diversity of the Classical Studies community
- Resume or CV

*GRE scores not required

More Information:

Faculty and Areas of Research:
https://lsa.umich.edu/classics/people/departmenatal-faculty.html

Classical Studies Department Website:
https://lsa.umich.edu/classics

For specific inquiries regarding eligibility, applications, or content of the Bridge MA program, please contact the Graduate Coordinator or the Bridge MA Program Director:

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Bridge MA Program Director
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Why join the Bridge MA program?

The Bridge MA in Classical Studies is a fully funded, three semester program designed to assist promising students in Classical Studies, Ancient Philosophy, Ancient History, or Greek and Roman Archaeology in developing the Ancient Greek and Latin language skills needed to pursue a PhD in Classical Studies.

We are seeking exceptional students with demonstrated potential for graduate study. Individuals from non-traditional backgrounds, ethnically diverse cultures, or first generation college students are particularly encouraged to apply.

As a Bridge MA student you will:

- Gain essential proficiencies in Ancient Greek and Latin
- Interact with other graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty through one-on-one meetings, seminars, research symposia, and more
- Develop teaching skills and experience, with extensive training and support
- Complete a research paper to strengthen your PhD application with support from a faculty mentor and the Bridge Program Director
- Gain a solid foundation in relevant coursework
- Benefit from the mentoring and support of a faculty program director and staff committed to your academic success

Program of Study

24 credit hours over three semesters:
- 15-18 credit hours in Ancient Greek or Latin
- 6-9 credit hours in approved cognate courses or another approved language. Cognate examples: Ancient History, Classical Archaeology, Greek or Roman Archaeology, Classical Linguistics, Ancient Philosophy

Sample Curriculum:

**Fall** (12 credit hours)
- Greek 476 Advanced Greek Reading
- Greek 554 Plato’s Dialogues
- 1 cognate course

**Winter** (9 credit hours)
- Latin 449 Satire
- Latin 464 Cicero
- Teaching Practicum—students teach as a Graduate Student Instructor for civilization courses

**Spring** (half term, 3 credit hours)
- Greek/Latin 599 Independent Study
- History 901 Independent Reading

Funding

The Bridge MA is a fully funded program. Students in good standing receive a stipend, tuition support, and health care.