

## Classics Information Sheet for entry in 2016

This course encompasses the study of the languages, literature, and history of ancient Greece and Rome, ancient and modern philosophy, the archaeology of the Greek and Roman Mediterranean, and comparative philology and historical linguistics. It is one of the most varied and interdisciplinary of all subjects, and offers the opportunity to study two foundational ancient civilisations and their reception in modern times.



### Classics at Oxford

Oxford has the largest Classics department and programme of courses in the world, with unparalleled teaching, library and museum resources, including the Sackler and Bodleian Libraries, the Ashmolean Museum and a designated Classics Centre. The degree involves extensive study of ancient languages, with a view to studying texts in the original. Applications are welcomed from candidates with and without prior knowledge of Greek and/or Latin. The breadth of options available means you can study papers ranging from Homeric Archaeology to Byzantine Literature, and the four year course allows all students to explore the various disciplines within this vast subject and to engage with their particular interests within the classical world in real depth.

### Fieldwork/international opportunities

Fieldwork is not a requirement in any part of the course, but some undergraduates may participate in archaeological excavations.

### A typical weekly timetable

Your time is divided between lectures, tutorials and private study. Most of your work will be in preparation of essays for your tutorials, although systematic language learning and reading of texts also require considerable time and effort.

| Courses   | Terms 1–5<br>Courses  | Terms 1–5<br>Assesments   |
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| Course IA<br>(Latin and Greek, for those who have studied Latin and Greek to A-level or equivalent) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Homer's <i>Iliad</i></li><li>• Virgil's <i>Aeneid</i></li><li>• Texts and contexts: integrating literary, archaeological material</li><li>• A special subject in Philosophy (ancient or modern)</li></ul> | <b>First University examinations IA:</b><br>Ten papers, including four language papers (Latin and Greek)              |
| Course IB<br>(Latin and Greek, for those who have studied only Latin to A-level or equivalent)      |   | <b>First University examinations IB:</b><br>Ten papers, including four language papers (Greek language work at a less |
| Course IC   |   |   |

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| <p>(Latin and Greek, for those who have studied only Greek to A-level or equivalent)</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A classical special subject: historical, archaeological or philological</li> </ul> <p>Work on the Greek and Latin languages</p>                                  | <p>advanced level than IA, Latin at the same level as IA)</p> <p><b>First University examinations IC:</b><br/>Ten papers, including four language papers (Latin language work at a less advanced level than IA, Greek at the same level as IA)</p>              |
| <p>Course IIA<br/>(Latin only, for those who have not studied Greek or Latin to A-level or equivalent)</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virgil's <i>Aeneid</i></li> <li>• Special subjects and Texts and Contexts as Course I</li> <li>• Work on the Latin language</li> </ul>                           | <p><b>First University examinations IIA:</b><br/>Seven papers, including two language papers</p>  |
| <p>Course IIB<br/>(Greek only, for those who have not studied Latin or Greek to A-level or equivalent)</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homer's <i>Iliad</i></li> <li>• Special subjects and Texts and Contexts as Course I</li> <li>• Work on the Greek language</li> </ul>                             | <p><b>First University examinations IIB:</b><br/>Seven papers, including two language papers</p>  |
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| <p><b>Courses</b></p>  | <p><b>Terms 6–12</b><br/><b>Courses</b></p>   | <p><b>Terms 6–12</b><br/><b>Assesments</b></p>  |
| <p>Course IA<br/>(Latin and Greek, for those who have studied Latin and Greek to A-level or equivalent)</p> <p>Course IB<br/>(Latin and Greek, for those who have studied only Latin to A-</p> | <p>Choose eight options from more than 80 in the following subjects (no area is compulsory); in most of these subjects it is possible to offer an undergraduate thesis in place of one of the papers:</p> | <p><b>Final University examinations:</b> eight exam subjects taken, with the possibility of offering one paper as a thesis. For some Literature options: instead of a three-hour paper, assessment involves the composition of one long essay over a three-</p> |

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| <p>level or equivalent)</p> <p>Course IC<br/>(Latin and Greek, for those who have studied only Greek to A-level or equivalent)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greek and Roman history (choose up to five): some are period papers, others topic-based</li> </ul>   | <p>week period.</p>  |
| <p>Course IIA<br/>(Latin only, for those who have not studied Greek or Latin to A-level or equivalent)</p>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Philosophy (choose up to five ancient): numerous ancient and modern options ranging from Plato's Republic to the Philosophy of mind</li> </ul>   | <p><b>Final University examinations:</b><br/>As Course I, but Latin only, unless you take optional second classical language</p> |
| <p>Course IIB<br/>(Greek only, for those who have not studied Latin or Greek to A-level or equivalent)</p>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greek and Latin literature (choose up to five)</li> <li>• Greek and Roman archaeology (choose up to two, plus a thesis if you wish)</li> <li>• Philology and Linguistics (choose up to two, plus a thesis if you wish)</li> <li>• Second classical language: Course II students can take up the second classical language if they wish (will count as two papers in the final exam)</li> </ul> | <p><b>Final University examinations:</b><br/>As Course I, but Greek only, unless you take optional second classical language</p> |

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

## Fees

These annual fees are for full-time students who begin this undergraduate course here in 2016.

| Fee Status                                    | Tuition fee | College fee | Total annual fees |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Home/EU                                       | £9,000      | £0          | £9,000            |
| Islands<br>(Channel Islands<br>& Isle of Man) | £9,000      | £0          | £9,000            |
| Overseas                                      | £15,295     | £7,135      | £22,430           |

Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

### Living Costs

Your living costs will vary significantly dependent on your lifestyle. These are estimated to be between £970 and £1,433 per month in 2016-17. Undergraduate courses usually consist of three terms of eight weeks each, but as a guide you may wish to budget over a nine-month period to ensure you also have sufficient funds during the holidays to meet essential costs.

#### Living costs breakdown

|                                     | Per month   |             | Total for 9 months |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                                     | Lower range | Upper range | Lower range        | Upper range |
| Food                                | £265        | £298        | £2,384             | £2,673      |
| Accommodation (including utilities) | £469        | £667        | £4,221             | £6,002      |
| Personal items                      | £119        | £244        | £1,073             | £2,187      |
| Social activities                   | £60         | £107        | £539               | £960        |
| Study costs                         | £36         | £73         | £314               | £661        |
| Other                               | £19         | £44         | £197               | £410        |
| Total                               | £970        | £1,433      | £8,727             | £12,894     |