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Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Classics

The version you're consulting is not definitive. This programme still may change. The final version will be published on 1th June.

At Louvain-la-Neuve - 60 credits - 1 year - Day schedule - In French

Dissertation/Graduation Project: **YES** - Internship: **NO** Activities in English: **NO** - Activities in other languages: **NO**

Activities on other sites: NO

Main study domain : Langues, lettres et traductologie

Organized by: Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters (FIAL)

Programme acronym: CLAS2M1 - Francophone Certification Framework: 7

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CLAS2M1 - Introduction

Introduction

Introduction

This master can be completed in one year and aims to provide advanced training in Greek and Latin philology, with a focus on grammar, the analysis of authors and linguistic and cultural comparatism.

Your profile

Students:

- hold a bachelor's degree;
- can provide evidence of proficiency in the following subjects (modern languages and literature (French); ancient languages and literature (Latin), philosophy, history and historical criticism, arts and civilisations, linguistic and literary theory, modern languages and literature).

The 30 credits awarded for the minor in Antiquity: Egypt, Orient, Greece, Rome can be used to meet these requirements.

Your future job

Students of ancient languages and literature are motivated to study by a taste or passion for Antiquity. Where the majority of them choose to sit the teacher training course, half of those work in education.

Ancient studies lead the way for young graduates to enter into the private sector, the public sector and research positions. They perform a variety of roles there for which their education has provided them with the necessary polyvalence, precision and capacity to learn.

CLAS2M1 - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

The Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics trains specialists in the study of Greek and Latin texts.

By working on original sources, students will develop the ability to produce a precise and rigorous analysis, guided by a critical mind-set and intellectual independence, with a view to interpreting an author's ideas or a question relating to societal issue in its context. These qualities will enable access to employment outside the strict domain of ancient languages and literatures.

The challenge for s students, in an immediate civilisation such as ours, it to promote the rigorous analysis of facts on the basis of primary sources and from a long-term perspective.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

- 1. Become expert in and apply knowledge in the specific field of classical languages and literature.
- 1.1. Attain expert knowledge of two ancient, classical languages including their vocabulary, grammar (morphology and syntax), their synchronous operation and their diachronic development;
- 1.2. Apply knowledge of vocabulary and grammar to Greek and Latin texts, within the framework of different activities: translations into and out of the language studied, individual research, preparation of oral presentations and production of written work;
- 1.3. Acquire an in-depth knowledge of Greek and Latin works of literature and their authors, by mastering the tools and methods used in the analysis and interpretation of these texts.
- 2. Successfully complete an individual research assignment in the field of classical languages and literatures and present the results.
- 2.1. Collect data using the appropriate heuristic tools, with a view to establishing a relevant corpus of primary sources (in ancient languages), translating those texts and analysing them critically, and creating and using a relevant bibliography of secondary sources;
- 2.2. Develop a methodology specific to the subject being studied and implement it in the handling of that subject;
- 2.3. Deal with a well-defined subject: provide a specific question, define an issue, produce clear and structured arguments and formulate results:
- 2.4. Communicate the results of an individual research assignment in writing which fulfils the formal drafting requirements (referenced citations, language and style, structure and layout).
- 3. Acquire and develop general skills which can be used in a professional environment.
- 3.1. Employ the knowledge acquired in the different fields of the humanities, with a view to conducting an in-depth analysis of facts, documents, speeches or issues:
- 3.2. Manage all types of data: gather and analyse data, classify it and evaluate its relevance;
- 3.3. Implement a critical approach: identify the original sources of the data, assess their value and analyse their impact;
- 3.4. Demonstrate the ability to summarize: efficiently analyse the data inherent to a situation or a question with a view to drawing the most appropriate conclusions or solutions from them;
- 3.5. Acquire the independence necessary to practise lifelong independent learning.

Programme structure

The programme consists of :

- an individual final project (15 credits)
- 20 credits of Greek and Latin languages and literatures
- at least 5 credits of auxiliary sciences

The remaining 20 credits can be chosen from auxiliary sciences, comparative courses or, for a maximum of 10 credits, from the courses fo the Master 120.

CLAS2M1 Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [60.0]

- Mandatory
- **S** Optional
- △ Not offered in 2025-2026
- Not offered in 2025-2026 but offered the following year
- $\ensuremath{\oplus}$ Offered in 2025-2026 but not the following year
- △

 Not offered in 2025-2026 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- Open to incoming exchange students
- M Not open to incoming exchange students
- FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

o Individual final project (15 credits)

○ LCLAS2898 Individual final project [q1+q2] [] [15 Credits] ®

• Greek languages and literatures (20 credits)

Tous les cours sont bisannuels. L'étudiant-e choisit au moins quatre cours dispensés au cours de l'année académique, à raison d'un cours de grec et de latin durant chaque quadrimestre. L'étudiant-e qui étale le master 60 sur deux années académiques peut suivre l'ensemble de ces cours.

& Années impaires

O LGLOR2221	Greek dialectology		[q1] [45h+22.5h] [5 Credits] 🕀 🌐
O LGLOR2541	Greek Literature Seminar	Charles Doyen	[q2] [45h] [5 Credits] \oplus \oplus > English-friendly
O LGLOR2431	Latin Authors Seminar		[q1] [45h] [5 Credits] \oplus \oplus > English-friendly
O LGLOR2231	Latin metrics and imperial, vernacular and late Latin [M]	Nicolas Meunier	810 [q2] [45h+22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕ ⊕

O LGLOR2232	Pre-classical Latin and introduction to Sabellian languages [M]	Nicolas Meunier	ER [q1] [45h+22.5h] [5 Credits] Ø
O LGLOR2532	Latin Literature Seminar		[q2] [45h] [5 Credits] Ø ⊕
O LGLOR2422	Greek Authors Seminar		[q1] [45h] [5 Credits] 🕢 🜐
O LGLOR2222	Historical Linguistics of Greek	Audrey Mathys	[q2] [45h+22.5h] [5 Credits]

Auxiliary sciences

Tous les cours sont bisannuels. L'étudiant-e choisit au moins un cours (5 crédits) parmi la liste suivante :

□ LFIAL2180	Seminar of Greek epigraphy		[q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] \oplus \oplus > English-friendly
S LFIAL2181	Latin epigraphy (seminar)	Marco Cavalieri	[q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits]
窓 LGLOR2172	Seminar in Greek palaeography and scholarly editing [M]	Emmanuel Van Elverdinghe	[q1] [30h] [5 Credits] Ø > English-friendly
応	Ancient numismatics [C]		[q2] [30h] [5 Credits] Ø ⊕ > English-friendly
B LGLOR2171	Seminar on palaeography and editing Latin texts		[q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🕀 🕮

⇔ Comparativism

All courses are biennial. Students may complete the remaining credits from the following list:

S LGLOR2802	Indo-European Comparative Linguistics	Leonid Kulikov	[q1] [30h] [5 Credits] Ø
S LGLOR2390	Typology and permanence of mythical imagineries		ER [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🕀 🕮
⇔ LGLOR2204	Seminar on Literary Translation from Ancient Languages into French: History, Theory and Practice	Aline Smeesters	[q1] [30h] [5 Credits] Ø 🕮

⇔ Autres cours (maximum 10 crédits)

Au maximum deux autres cours à choisir dans le programme du Master [120] en langues et lettres anciennes, orientation classiques, en accord avec le/la titulaire du cours et la/le secrétaire de jury.

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

What is a preparatory module?

It is a set of supplementary classes (courses, practical works, seminars, etc.) from the first cycle (see the non-exhaustive list below). The complementary module (maximum 60 credits) is tailor-made by the jury according to the student's educational background and added to the Master's programme in order to acquire fundamental knowledge to then pursue the 60 credits of the Master's programme.

Who is it for?

- Students from a non-university higher education institution
- · Candidates admitted with additional training
- · Candidates admitted on the file with additional training

All the explanations are in this document (in French).

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Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

o Greek and Latin Languages: (40 credits)

O LFIAL1770	Greek I - Initiation (beginner level) [M]		[q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]
O LGLOR1270	Greek II - Language, texts and culture (intermediate level) [M]		[q2] [45h+30h] [5 Credits]
O LGLOR1321	Greek IIIA - Language structures: reflective approach and translation (advanced level) [M]		[q1+q2] [45h+45h] [5 Credits] # @
O LGLOR1322	Greek IIIB- Language structures: reflective approach and translation (advanced level) [M]	Audrey Mathys	[q1+q2] [45h+45h] [5 Credits] Ø 🕮
O LFIAL1180	Latin - Beginners [M]		[q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]
O LGLOR1230	Latin II - Languages, texts and culture (intermediate level) [M]	Nicolas Meunier	[q2] [45h+30h] [5 Credits]
O LGLOR1331	Latin IIIA - Language structures: reflective approach and translation (advanced level) [M]	Nicolas Meunier	[q1+q2] [45h+45h] [5 Credits] # @
O LGLOR1332	Latin IIIB - Language structures; reflective approach and translation (advanced level) [M]	Nicolas Meunier	[q1+q2] [45h+45h] [5 Credits] Ø 🕮

Greek and Latin Authors (10 credits)

SS LGLOR1721	Advanced Greek Authors A	□ [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] ⊕ ⊕
Strate LGLOR1722	Advanced Greek Authors B	[q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] Ø
Strate LGLOR1731	Advanced Latin Authors A	□ [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] ⊕ ⊕
\$\$ LGLOR1732	Advanced Latin Authors B	FR [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] Ø 🕮

o Greek and Latin Literature (5 credits)

S LGLOR1422	Ancient Greek Literature	Charles Doyen	FR [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] Ø 🕮
⇔ LGLOR1431	Latin Literature		FR [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] 🕀 🕮

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a reference framework of learning outcomes specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

CLAS2M1 - Information

Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

General and specific admission requirements for this programme must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university.

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

SUMMARY

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Specific access requirements

- 1° Student must hold a first level university degree.
- 2° Candidates who do not hold a higher education diploma from the French Community of Belgium (or from a country where French is the only official language) must provide proof of sufficient mastery of the French language at level **B2** of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

In the absence of an official certificate issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members), a certificate issued by the University showing that the candidate has been taught in French may be accepted.

Examples of tests recognized by the jury for French: DELF or TCF.

- 3° To have developed the following skills in the context of their previous academic training:
 - · Introduction to classical studies;
 - · Civilisations of antiquity (philosophy, history and archaeology);
 - · Greek language and literature;
 - · Latin language and literature;
 - · Philosophy;
 - History and Historical Criticism;
 - Linguistic and literary theory;
 - Modern languages and literatures.

In the absence of sufficient training in one or more of these subjects, supplementary classes will be integrated into the master's programme (from 15 credits to a maximum of 60 credits). This preparatory module is established by the jury on the basis of the student's previous course of study.

Course equivalences are submitted for approval to the jury (small panel).

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			
Bachelor in Ancient Languages a	and Literatures : Classics	Direct access	
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	If students have chosen the Minor in Antiquity: Egypt, Eastern World, Greece, Rome and provided that they have followed the Greek language and literature courses in their	supplementary classe integrated into the ma programme	Maximum 15 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme If the UCLouvain Admissions
	major and the following courses in the minor: LGLOR1230,		Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the

	LGLOR1331 ou LGLOR1332, LGLOR1431 and a course of Latin Authors (LGLOR1731 or LGLOR1732)		application to the faculty for a decision.
Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	If students have chosen the Minor in Antiquity: Egypt, Eastern World, Greece, Rome and provided that they have	Access with additional training	Maximum 15 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme
	followed the following courses in their minor: LGLOR1270, LGLOR1321 or LGLOR1322, LGLOR1422 and a Greek Authors course		If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.
Bachelor in Ancient Languages a Bachelor in Ancient and Modern		Access with additional training	Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme
Others Bachelors of the French	n speaking Community of Belgiu	um	
Bachelor in Ancient Languages a	and Literatures: Classics	Direct access	
Bachelor in Ancient and Modern and French)	Languages and Literatures (Latin	Access with additional training	Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Bachelors of the Dutch speaking	ng Community of Belgium		
Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (Latin and French)	Proficiency in French at level B1 (CEFR)	Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (Latin/) Bachelor of Linguistics and Literature (Greek/)	Proficiency in French at level B1 (CEFR)	Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Foreign Bachelors			
Bachelor in Ancient Languages a study of Latin and/or Greek).	and Literatures (including the	Access based on application	In case of admission, additional training to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Access on the file). All applicants must check that they meet the specific access requirements.

Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about links to the university

Only applicable to graduates of higher education institutions of the French Community of Belgium

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			

Masters		
Master [60] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures Master [120] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	Access with additional training	Programme to be determined depending on the student's

		educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Oriental Studies Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Foreign Masters	Access based on application	All candidates must ensure that they meet the specific access requirements. In case of admission, maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the Master's programme (consult Acces on the file).

Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

Only applicable to graduates of higher education institutions of the French Community of Belgium

Access based on validation of professional experience

> It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about Validation of priori experience.

Candidates who do not fulfil the abovementioned admission requirements, but who have duly attested significant experience relevant to the field of study in question, may apply for admission to the programme on the basis of an individualised admission procedure.

For more information on the procedure for admission by validation of learning from experience (VAE) in the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters: https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/valorisation-des-acquis-de-l-experience-vae.html.

Access based on application

Access based on application: access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Admissibility criteria

A candidate's application will be deemed admissible if it meets all of the following criteria:

- Candidate's diploma issued by an institution recognized by WHED (see https://www.whed.net/home.php)
- Previous course of study including at least 3 years of higher education (equivalent to 180 ECTS credits), leading to an undergraduate degree;
- For holders of a diploma obtained outside Belgium, an overall average of at least 60% (12/20) for the course of study completed in the home institution and giving access to this program;
- For holders of a diploma obtained outside the French-speaking Community of Belgium, official attestation of proficiency in the language(s) at the required level (see specific admission conditions), to be attached to the application file. The official attestation must be issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members).

If a document is missing from the online application, it must be justified (see UCLouvain Enrolment Department's frequently asked questions, in particular "What do I do if my online application asks for a document I don't yet have?")

Applications deemed admissible are forwarded to the Faculty by Enrolment Services. Applications that do not meet these criteria are automatically rejected.

Eligibility criteria

Applications submitted to the Faculty by UCLouvain's Enrolment Department are examined by the program's jury in accordance with the specific conditions of access detailed above.

The jury decides on the admissibility of candidates on the basis of the information contained in their application file, the quality of the training they have undergone and the results they have obtained.

When examining the application, the jury will pay particular attention to the following points:

- Consistency between the candidate's previous academic career and the prerequisites for the targeted program. The match between the candidate's academic background and the UCLouvain bachelor's degree giving direct access to the master's program need not be perfect, but the skills acquired (see specific access conditions) must be close; Example: for an application for admission to a master's program in modern languages and literature, the candidate's previous training includes courses in languages and literature in both modern languages.
- Grades obtained in the program's major disciplines (see specific entry requirements);
- Arguments put forward by the applicant in his or her cover letter (training project in line with the program in question, relevance of arguments, coherence between the applicant's application and the program in question, etc.) Example: the language combination requested by the applicant is organized in the program in question.

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- Original covering letter. An original covering letter is expected, explaining the personal training project. Any plagiarism or use of artificial intelligence in writing the letter to the jury will result in the application being disqualified.
- Experience gained. If the access diploma was obtained more than 5 years ago, it is imperative that the experience acquired since leaving school is directly related to the field of study of the programme applied for.

Changes to the conditions of access to the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters for 2026-2027 will be available in this document .

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Teaching method

The different paths available to students allow them to shape their own training in line with their skills and interests and, in this way, to have relative autonomy in their training programme. The various different areas of study provide a series of coherent and high quality courses.

Interdisciplinarity is encouraged via the following methods: the student decides which options he will take in the Master (60 credits) (in making this choice, he will be guided by the programme's interdisciplinary courses which complement the more philological part of the training).

Variety of teaching methods (including e-learning): use of multi-media for ancient languages.

Range of learning situations: individual and group work, seminars and lectures. Individual guidance for the individual final project (TFE).

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the <u>regulations concerning studies and exams</u>. More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

The written and oral exams aim both to measure skills acquired as well as the student's communication skills and know-how. Some subjects, geared towards helping the student develop skills in research and personal criticism, are subject to presentations and discussions spread out over the year (permanent evaluation).

Courses are evaluated according to current university regulations (see General Examination Regulations). Students may find further information on specific evaluation methods in the course descriptions.

To obtain a student's average, the grades awarded for each course unit are weighted by their respective credits

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

The participation in an international mobility scheme is not authorized within the framework of this 1-year master's programme.

Nevertheless, courses in Greek or Latin languages and literatures can be borrowed from the programme of KU Leuven, in line with the UCLouvain-KU Leuven agreement.

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

Upon successful completion of the Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Classics, graduates may:

- 1. enrol in the corresponding Master 120's programme;
- 2. enrol in another master's programme (60 or 120);
- 3. do a postgraduate internship and/or prepare their socio-professional integration.

1. Corresponding Master 120 programme

Upon completion of Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics, students directly access the Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics. Their programme, of minimum 60 credits, will include the Master's dissertation (between 15 and 30 credits) which may complete their Master 60 individual final project, the chosen focus (30 credits) and possible supplementary classes determined by the jury.

2. Other master's programmes (60 or 120)

Other Master's programmes of the Faculty could be accessible, directly or through supplementary classes. For more information, please read the masters' admission requirements.

List of masters organised by the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters: https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/infomaster.html

Other Master's programmes of UCLouvain are widely accessible, either directly or through supplementary classes, to UCLouvain graduates. For example :

- Master [120] in Public Administration
- Master [60] in Management (shift schedule)
- Master [120] in Population and Development Studies

3. Postgraduate internship and socio-professional integration

Students have the opportunity, during their Master's programme or after graduation, to prepare their **socio-professional integration** with the qualified services of the Faculty and of UCLouvain. It is also possible for them to complete their training with a **postgraduate internship** in Belgium or abroad. In some cases, procedural steps must be undertaken during the master's programme.

- Further information on postgraduate internships: https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/stage-apres-diplomation.html
- Further information on the Faculty's Employment Service: https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/service-emploi.html
- Further information on the interviews and workshops offered to (future) graduates by the Centre d'information et d'orientation (CIO): https://uclouvain.be/fr/etudier/cio/futur-diplome-diplome.html

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Certificates

Certificat universitaire en langue, littérature et civilisation latines

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