BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) ANCIENT & MEDIEVAL STUDIES

A&MS explores the lives of peoples who existed 500, 1000, and even 3000 years ago. Study ancient Greeks and Romans, early Christianity, ancient and medieval Africa, Europe, and Asia, and the golden age of Islam.

OFFERS COURSES IN...
- Mythology
- Archaeology
- Warfare and conflict
- Gender and sexuality
- Ancient religion and magic
- Late antiquity
- Alchemy
- History of yoga
- Popular culture
- Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, St. Patrick, King Arthur, Charlemagne

WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN A&MS DEGREE?

CULTURAL ADVOCACY: You could work as a librarian, archivist, archaeologist, or as a researcher, educator, or administrator at a museum, art gallery, or historical site.

EDUCATION: You could work in primary or secondary education or even become a professor.

TOP 4 REASONS TO STUDY A&MS
1. History gives insight! As humans we can understand our current situation by studying the conflicts, ideas, and relationships that shaped global societies over time.
2. Our department houses the W.G. Hardy Museum, with its collection of Near Eastern and Classical Antiquities. Our graduates are particularly well-equipped to pursue careers in museums, and our museum offers you the opportunity to gain valuable work experience as a student volunteer.
3. Employers are keen to hire folks able to uncover hidden information, draw connections between different kinds of evidence, and communicate those discoveries. Those are precisely the skills you develop in Ancient and Medieval Studies courses.
4. Our Ancient and Medieval Studies professors are passionate and creative teachers, eager to help you explore and understand the past and to develop your skills as researchers, thinkers, and communicators.

ENHANCE YOUR DEGREE

CONSIDER MINOR OPTIONS
You can combine your Ancient and Medieval Studies major with a double major or minor in Classics or History.

CONNECT TO EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING
Do a semester abroad or a summer program in Europe, Africa, Latin America, or Asia.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR MAJOR

Complete your major requirements and test out different classes. Design your academic plan - you’re in control!

A&MS MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS:
You need to take between 10 and 16 courses at the 200-level or above that fall under Ancient and Medieval Studies, including:
- INT D 205: Introduction to Ancient and Medieval Studies
- Two courses in Arabic, Classical Chinese, Greek, Hebrew, Latin, Old Norse, or Sanskrit
- Two Ancient and Medieval Studies courses at the 400-level

To verify your Major and BA Common Requirements, check the University Calendar and speak to an advisor.

STUDENT SUPPORTS
These are services that enable you to pursue academic and personal success.
- Academic advising
- Student Ombuds
- Indigenous Student supports
- Academic support
- Health & Wellness
- Campus Food Bank
- Libraries
- International Student supports
- Accessibility Resources
- Financial Aid & Awards
- Professional & Career Development
- Mental Health Supports

WE ARE ALL TREATY PEOPLE
The University of Alberta respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 6 territory, traditional lands of First Nations and Métis people.

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Volunteer, travel, get a summer job, read! Reflect on what you're learning and practice self-care.

Add a Certificate in International Learning or in Archaeology to your degree.

Explore study abroad options, including the archaeological field school.

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Become a student editor with Constellations, the undergraduate History and Classics journal.

Do an internship or a semester abroad to gain experience and broaden your horizons.

Ask two or three professors to be academic references.

Stay on track to graduate: Complete a Program Check on Beartracks.

Let the Career Centre support you in communicating your skills and experience to prepare for your next steps.

Join the History and Classics Undergraduate Society.

Talk to your History and Classics Undergraduate advisor, and the Ancient and Medieval Studies program advisor! They really want to meet you.

Learn more about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, and worldviews.

Apply to Arts Work Experience to strengthen your technical and transferrable skills and gain paid, professional experience before you graduate.

Design your own research project through the Undergraduate Research Initiative or the Roger S. Smith Award.

BA A&MS DEGREE GUIDE

Your University experience is about what happens inside and outside of the classroom. This map is a tool to help you complement your academics with hands-on learning outside of the classroom and take advantage of student activities. Each new step will help you explore your options, take measured risks, and inform your next step. Being informed and engaged leads to a richer journey throughout your degree and beyond!

LEGEND

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
GAIN EXPERIENCE
SEEK OUT CONNECTIONS
NAVIGATE COURSES

EARLY DEGREE

Expand your career options, be proactive, and test possibilities. Join a student group.

MID-DEGREE

Take risks, try new things, ask for and offer help to people you know and people you meet.

LATE DEGREE

Develop and revise your career story based on your values, interests, and what you learn.

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