Classics

The University of Fribourg specialises in classical studies and special attention is paid to the reception of Greek classical antiquity during the imperial period, the culture and literature of Late Antiquity and, through close collaboration with the Institute of Mediaeval Studies (Institut d’études médiévales/Mediävistisches Institut), the Latin Middle Ages, the Byzantine culture and the Renaissance. Students further study the influence of literary forms and classical mythology on modern literature in partnership with the Institute of General and Comparative Literature (Institut de littérature générale et comparée/Institut für Allgemeine und Vergleichende Literaturwissenschaft). Practical workshops give students the opportunity to learn the basics of scientific research and do hands-on training in papyrology, palaeography, codicology and scholarly editing.

This Master's programme broadens students' Latin and Greek language skills and enhances their knowledge of the culture and literature of classical antiquity. It further encompasses the lasting influence of this heritage through the centuries of Late Antiquity, the Byzantine period and the Middle Ages as well as the Renaissance. In addition to core modules including literature and lecture courses, and seminars on Greek and Latin language and culture, students can shape their course by selecting the profile which best suits their needs: historical sciences, scholarly editing, literary studies, the Renaissance, philosophy and patristics. Practical workshops give them an opportunity to learn the basics of scientific research and do hands-on training in papyrology, palaeography, codicology and scholarly editing.

Fribourg profile

The principal career openings for Classics students:

- Teaching Latin and Greek at secondary school level I and II;
- An academic or scientific career in classical studies;
- Public administration and cultural policy;
- Administrative posts in scientific bodies;
- Private sector (human resources).

Studies organisation

90 ECTS credits + 30 ECTS credits as an option in a minor study programme freely chosen, 3-4 semesters

Curriculum

http://studies.unifr.ch/go/9E-Ps (French)
http://studies.unifr.ch/go/IXVf (German)

Comments

The Latin Studies and Greek Studies Master programmes are offered as minor study programmes (30 ECTS credits).

Admission

http://studies.unifr.ch/enmaster/lang/classics
Master's degree programmes are built on the knowledge and abilities that were acquired when obtaining a Bachelor's degree.

Holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded from a Swiss university can be admitted to a Master's degree programme within the corresponding discipline (requires the acquisition of minimum 60 ECTS credits at Bachelor level in the corresponding discipline) without any additional requirements. The same applies to holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded by a foreign university, provided that the Bachelor's degree is recognised and considered equivalent by the University of Fribourg.

Holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded from a Swiss university or holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded by a foreign university, provided that the Bachelor's degree is recognised and considered equivalent by the University of Fribourg, can be admitted to a Master's degree programme within another discipline with prerequisites (must be successfully completed before starting the Master's degree programme) or additional requirements (can be completed during the Master's degree programme). According to existing agreements, holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded from a Swiss university of applied sciences can also be admitted with prerequisites or additional requirements.

The respective conditions of admission for each Master's degree programme are reserved.

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