

Certification Requirements

for students wishing to add certification in Latin to an M. A. in Classics with Specialization in Latin or in Greek and Latin, an M.A. in the Teaching of Latin, or a Ph.D. in Classical Philology

Admission Requirements

1. Completion of a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a Grade Point Average of 3.0 or better on a 4 point scale in the last 60 hours of the bachelors degree program.
2. Completion at least 32 semester hours in Classics courses, of which 26 must be in Latin, excluding Latin 101 and 102 (or equivalent). At least 9 of the 26 hours must be in 400-level courses or equivalent. Classics courses are defined as courses in the languages, history or culture (including material culture) of ancient Greece and Rome.
3. Passing scores on the Illinois Certification Test of Basic Skills and the Latin Content test for certification with the State of Illinois. A detailed review of the undergraduate transcript will determine if a student is deficient of any general education requirements for certification as prescribed by the State of Illinois. These deficiencies may be taken prior to admission into the program or may be fit into the program as possible, but are not figured into the specific course requirements for the program. Students must complete any general education deficiencies to obtain certification from the State of Illinois.
4. Three letters of recommendation.
5. A written narrative statement of students' goals in education and demonstration of some prior experience working with children and youth.

Application must be made to the Foreign Language Teacher Education Program Committee. Applicants who are admitted must complete the following requirements:

Required Coursework for Teacher Certification

EPSY 400 Psychology of Learning in Education
EPS 410 Philosophy of Education
SPED 205 Introduction to Special Needs (1 hour)
SPED 405 General Educator's Role in SPED (2 hours)
EDPR 442 Educational Practice in Secondary Education: Latin (8 hours)
LAT 471 Introduction to Second Language Learning and Teaching (4 hours)
LAT 475 Introduction to Communicative Language Teaching
LAT 478 Topics in Secondary Language Teaching (4 hours)
LAT 550 Introduction to the Teaching of Classics (1 unit)

Required Early Field Experience (EFE) and Student Teaching

A total of at least 100 hours of early field experience is earned in the following courses:

LAT/HUMAN 471 Minimum of 24 hours of EFE
LAT 475 Minimum of 28 hours of EFE
LAT 478 Minimum of 48 hours of EFE

Master of Arts in Classics with Specialization in Latin or in Latin and Greek, Master of Arts in the Teaching of Latin, or Ph.D. in Classics Coursework

Courses determined by program advisors in Latin language and literature as required for completion of the M.A. in Classics with Specialization in Latin, the M.A. in Classics with Specialization in Greek and Latin, the M.A. in the Teaching of Latin, or the Ph.D. in Classical Philology. Students must complete an M.A. in Classics with Specialization in Latin, an M.A. in Classics with Specialization in Greek and Latin or an M.A. in the Teaching of Latin in order to receive certification.