What you can do with your CLASSICAL HUMANITIES MAJOR

Major Skills:

Effective Oral and Written Communication
You write, speak, and dialogue persuasively, using appropriate style and evidence to present and justify ideas and arguments and deliver quality, critical feedback for various audiences.

Analytical Thinking
You analyze and interpret texts in varied languages and cultures’ historical contexts and engage in thoughtful discussions, develop logical arguments, and problem-solve effectively.

Ethical Thinking
You consider topics from multiple ethical viewpoints and perspectives with attention to their historical and cultural contexts; you are able to ethically advocate for social and political change.

Cultural and Global Awareness
You explore, compare, and critique different cultures and historical periods with sensitivity to both local contexts and customs as well as global values.

Research
You employ various research methodologies to find and filter information to determine the best sources, use evidence to support arguments, and synthesize information to clearly and concisely communicate ideas.

Self-directed Project Completion
You complete work on your own with discipline and persistence, ranging from the acquisition of new skills to complex individual and shared projects.

Supplement Your Skills With:

Global and Intercultural Experience (Study Abroad and Internships)

Leadership, Volunteering, and Service-Learning

Experience Fostering Professional Equity & Inclusion

Career & Self Development, Job Shadowing & Networking

Chart Your Path Forward

Activate Your Handshake Account for connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking.

Explore Career Communities to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your major into success.

Get Career & Internship Advising from SuccessWorks to make a plan, whether you’re a first-year student or about to graduate.

Get Started: successworks.wisc.edu
Put your Classical Humanities major to WORK

Sample US Job Titles of Alumni:
- Owner/Founder
- President/CEO
- Attorney
- Teacher
- Professor
- Project Manager
- Director/Executive Director
- Principal

- Consultant
- Editor
- Administrative Assistant
- Artist
- Designer
- Registered Nurse
- Analyst

Top US Employers of Alumni:
- American Express
- Apple
- Big Think
- Brigham and Women’s Hospital
- Bunker (Entertainment)
- Business France
- California State University, Fresno
- Delta Air Lines
- Denver Health
- Docusign
- Epic

Recent Grads’ Career Plans:
- 73% Employment
- 20% Continuing Education or Grad School
- 4% Volunteer/Service Program (i.e. Peace Corps)
- 3% Other

Industry of Employment:
1. Education
2. Non-Profit
3. Government
4. Arts & Entertainment
5. Information Tech
6. Aviation & Aerospace
7. Consulting
8. Consumer Goods
9. Retail
10. Automotive

Where Alumni Live & Work:
- Wisconsin 25%
- California 9%
- Illinois 9%
- New York 7%
- Minnesota 5%
- Other 45%

( including international)

“Through my study of Latin and ancient Greek I learned a tremendous amount about language. It expanded my vocabulary and taught me to think critically about word choice. Precision in writing and attention to detail in reading are skills that I draw upon every day as a lawyer. My work today is rooted in the need to tell my clients’ stories, advocate on their behalf, and use the power of words to make their case to the judge.”

Phoebe Kasdin, 2010
Impact Litigation Attorney, Still She Rises Inc
Tulsa, OK

“The writing skills I learned from all the papers I had to write in the humanities have helped me with all the letters we have to write to clients. Also, the organizational skills I was able to create during college help me with keeping track of due dates and things I have to do to make sure that each client’s registration is accurate and up to date.”

Caitlin Acierno, 2017
Co-Owner, Leone Registrations, LLC
Verona, WI

Career Communities for Classical Humanities Majors
SuccessWorks has eight Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few suggestions on where Classical Humanities majors can start.

- Non-Profit Management & Education
- Consulting, Finance, Management & Client Relations
- Government, Policy, International Affairs & Law
- Communications, Entertainment & the Arts

Not inspired by these options? Visit SuccessWorks to explore more widely.

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