

## Wang Center for Global Education

Department of  
Languages & Literatures

### STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

"The Classical Studies program at College Year in Athens (CYA) is a once in a lifetime educational experience that balances in-class lecture with first hand on-site learning. I learned more about myself during my four month stay and made lifetime friends in the process. Athens is a thriving city full of culture and activities that always kept me on my toes, as it should be named "the city that never sleeps." My education and experiences gained through CYA are memories that I will never forget!"

Crystal Reno  
PLU student  
CYA Athens, Greece  
Classical Studies Program  
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Photo taken by Caitlin Campbell

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Please talk with a Classics faculty advisor or Wang Center advisor for more information. Scholarships available include: CYA, CIEE, and Wang Center Global Scholar Awards (J-term).

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# Study Away MAP

Major Advising Plan

## Study Away for Classics Majors & Minors, Greek & Latin Minors

PLU study away programs are highly rated by students and the faculty, especially the "Gateway" and "Approved" Programs, which have been vetted as giving you the best experience in conjunction with programs at PLU. Study away is highly recommended for all students, and especially those with interests in language, literature, and culture, or those who plan to use their majors working abroad or with diverse communities in the US. We recommend study away for your junior or senior year(s), although some students may go sooner. Start your language studies early so that you can fully participate in the global opportunities that PLU has to offer, and consult with faculty in your major and minor interests about these wonderful programs!

Study away sites offer courses in a variety of subjects that can often help meet your major, minor, or other requirements, but these must be approved prior to your departure. Make sure that you consult with everyone well ahead of when you plan to leave!

Prof. Eric Nelson, Associate Professor of Classics

### PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR CLASSICS MAJORS & MINORS, GREEK & LATIN MINORS

#### PLU-Approved Programs:

##### **CYA Athens, Greece** — *Classical Studies Program*

Fall, Spring, or Full Year Program; Summer option also available

Eligibility: Junior or Senior level class standing

Students select courses from three main areas of study: Ancient Greek Studies, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies, and European and East Mediterranean Studies. The program offers apartment-style housing and study tours to Crete, the Peloponnese, and Central and Northern Greece. Ideal for any Classics major, and for students interested in archaeology, political science, religion, and philosophy.

##### **CIEE Naples, Italy** — *Classical Studies Program*

Fall, Spring, or Full Year Program

Eligibility: 2.75 GPA, major or concentration in Classical Studies

This program provides students with the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the literature and civilization of the ancient Greeks and Romans, and provides visits to important ancient cultural sites in Naples and the Campania region. The program includes a required intensive Italian language course (no language background required), a required Naples and the Ancient Mediterranean: Archaeology in Campania course, and two elective Classics courses.

#### PLU J-term Programs:

##### **England, Germany, Greece** — *Ethics and the Good Life (4-credit course)*

The course travels to the locations of many of the world's most important philosophers and explores the cultural, historical, and social settings that form a key part of the moral theories each developed. PHIL 125, departmental credit, philosophy GUR/GenEd.

##### **Italy** — *Sharing Food & Drink in Early Christian Rome (4-credit course)*

The course studies the emergence of Christianity in Rome, and includes an examination of the Roman imperial social context, the entrance of Christians into the city, the legalization of Christianity, and the emergence of western monasticism. RELI 220, departmental credit, R2 or RC GUR/GenEd.

##### **Greece** — *Between Athens and Jerusalem (4-credit course)*

The course studies Hellenistic literature and its main themes through texts referred to by scholars as "the Old Testament Pseudepigrapha." The program will also focus on the social context of Jews in Diaspora. Excursions include visits to the Acropolis, the Temple of Poseidon in Sounion, and the Temple of Aphaia in Aegina. RELI 330, departmental credit, R1 or RG GUR/GenEd.

##### **Greece** — *"Eternal Summer Gilds Them Yet" – The Literature, Legacy, and Legend of Ancient Greece (4-credit course)*

The course explores the original contexts and sites of some of ancient Greek literature and culture and the ways that later civilizations have invented and reinvented themselves and the ancient Greeks through them. Through readings, exploration, discussions, site visits with on-site experts, students will re-envision what this heritage may yet have to say that is relevant, fresh, and contemporary.

# Advising Notes & Contact Information

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## CLASSICS ADVISING NOTES/ ACADEMIC ADVISING NOTES

For students interested in Classics and Classical languages, we ***strongly*** recommend that they take advantage of our excellent study away programs – College Year in Athens (Greece), and CIEE Naples (Italy). Both of these programs allow students to continue their language study at an approved level. Both also offer courses in ancient, Byzantine, Medieval, and Modern subjects (language, political science, economics, history, etc.) that fit well with the kinds of interests and second majors/minors that Classics students tend to have. Both programs also have scholarships/fellowships that students can apply for.

We also highly recommend that students plan their study away for a time after which they have completed the classical language(s) they hope to study to at least the 202 (that is, at least through 201) level. Exceptions can be made with careful planning and the consent of the study away program.

It's ***never*** too early to start talking to Classics faculty about your hopes and plans. We're here to help you make the best choices for you, so take advantage of their expertise sooner rather than later.

## WANG CENTER ADVISING NOTES

PLU offers a variety of program options to help you meet your study away goals. You may choose to study on a Gateway program, a Featured program, an Approved program, or a J-term program. You may also choose to participate in an International Internship.

### **Step 1—Explore:**

Explore your options for study away opportunities. Check out the programs available on our website. Come to a Study Away Fair, held in both September and March every year. Talk with others: Sojourner Advocates, staff, faculty and friends. Consider why you wish to study away, what you hope to achieve through the experience, where you might want to study, and when you would like to go.

### **Step 2—Evaluate:**

Evaluate your study away program options. Meet with a Study Away Advisor to determine which program is the best fit for you and your study away goals. Meet with your Faculty Advisor or Academic Advisor to discuss which program is the best fit for your academic goals.

### **Step 3—Apply:**

Once you've decided which program to apply to, visit the Wang Center for application details. Be sure to submit all application materials to the Wang Center by your program's deadline.