What about a major in…?

Greek

What is Greek?
Greek is the Western language with the longest continuous history, from the poetry of Homer composed in the first millennium B.C. to the present. This program focuses on literature, philosophy, religion, history, archaeology, and art associated with the Greek language from its earliest appearance through the golden age of the Greek city-state in the 5th century B.C. and the Roman Empire into the medieval Byzantine Empire. Greek majors who intend to continue in Classics graduate studies are strongly advised to study Latin as well.

What are the major requirements?
Go to www.catalogs.umn.edu/programs.html and select “Undergraduate majors.”

How do I declare a Greek major?
You will be required to declare a major by the time you have completed 60 credits.
1. Talk with someone from the department: an adviser, a professor, or a teaching assistant, to learn more about the major and its requirements.
2. When you decide upon a Greek major, meet with the appropriate person from the department to complete a Major Program form.
3. Bring a copy of the form to your CLA student community.
4. If you decide to change your major, contact your student community to learn more about your new major’s declaration process.

What can I do with a major in Greek?

Skills
Greek majors develop skills that are applicable to a wide variety of careers. These skills include:
• Knowledge of the culture associated with the Greek language
• An enhanced English vocabulary
• Analyzing and critical thinking skills
• Verbal and written communication skills
• Knowledge of cultures and cultural differences

Employment
Common areas of employment for this major include but are not limited to:
• Education—teaching, research, administration
• Communication—writing, editing, public relations, management
• Nonprofit—administration, fundraising, museum work
• Business—marketing, human resources, sales, consulting
• Government—public information, campaigns, research

Today’s workplace requires individuals with interpersonal skills, the ability to communicate
effectively, an ability to solve problems, and adaptability. CLA graduates find that they are well-prepared in all these areas and that their education—especially when combined with experience gained through internships, volunteer positions, past jobs, and other collegiate involvement—makes them competitive.

The Career & Community Learning Center provides students with the tools to identify and pursue potential careers. An extensive resource room, career courses and workshops, and a helpful staff are just some of the ways we can help.

Remember!
You have not declared a major until you have:
• completed a Major Program form with your major adviser,
• filed a copy with the major department,
• and filed a copy with your CLA student community.

Don’t forget: keep a copy for yourself!