

Greek

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

The major in Greek provides a solid preparation in ancient Greek.

Declaring the Major

The easiest way to declare a major is to meet with an undergraduate adviser, who will have all the necessary forms. Please also see the Letters & Science advising site for a guide to declaring a major (<http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/major/declare.html>).

Honors Program

Students who are declared majors in Greek and who have a GPA (both general and departmental) of at least 3.6 are eligible for honors in Greek. The honors program consists of a two-semester course sequence — GREEK H195A and GREEK H195B, that is designed to support the writing of a thesis. This thesis, which will be evaluated by an honors committee of three members, may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Classical Civilizations major or may be a newly conceived project. It is due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which Greek H195B is taken.

Further details can be found online at Classics Undergraduate Honors (<http://www.classics.berkeley.edu/programs/undergraduate/honors>). Please consult with a classics undergraduate adviser to begin planning to participate in honors.

Minor Program

The Department of Classics offers a minor in Greek Studies. For information on declaring the minor, please contact the department. Please see the Minor Requirements tab on this page for details regarding the requirements for this minor.

Other Majors and Minors offered by the Department of Classics

Classical Civilizations (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2017-18/undergraduate/degree-programs/classical-civilizations>) (Major and Minor)
Classical Languages (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2017-18/undergraduate/degree-programs/classical-languages>) (Major only)
Latin (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2017-18/undergraduate/degree-programs/latin>) (Major and Minor)

In addition to the University, campus, and college requirements, listed on the College Requirements tab, students must fulfill the below requirements specific to their major program.

General Guidelines

1. All courses taken to fulfill the major requirements below must be taken for graded credit, other than courses listed which are offered on a *Pass/No Pass* basis only. Other exceptions to this requirement are noted as applicable.
2. No more than one upper division course may be used to simultaneously fulfill requirements for a student's major and minor programs, with the exception of minors offered outside of the College of Letters & Science.

3. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 must be maintained in both upper and lower division courses used to fulfill the major requirements.

For information regarding residence requirements and unit requirements, please see the College Requirements tab.

Summary of Major Requirements

Lower division: Two courses	8
Elementary Language: One or Two courses	8-10
Intermediate Greek Composition: One course	4
Basic Reading: Three courses	12
Senior Reading: Four courses	16
One additional upper division course from the list of recommended courses (see below)	4
Total Units	52-54

Lower Division

CLASSIC 10A	Introduction to Greek Civilization ¹	4
CLASSIC 10B	Introduction to Roman Civilization ¹	4
Total Units		8

¹ To completed, if possible, by the end of the student's junior year.

Elementary Language

Select one of the following:		8-10
GREEK 1 & GREEK 2	Elementary Greek and Elementary Greek	
GREEK 10	Course Not Available	
GREEK 15	The Greek Workshop	
Total Units		8-10

Intermediate Greek Composition ¹

GREEK 40	Course Not Available	4
Total Units		4

¹ To be completed as soon as possible after completing GREEK 100.

Basic Reading

GREEK 100	Plato and Attic Prose	4
GREEK 101	Homer	4
GREEK 102	Drama and Society	4
Total Units		12

Senior Reading

Select four courses from the following:	16
GREEK 115	Archaic Poetry
GREEK 116	Greek Drama
GREEK 117	Hellenistic Poets
GREEK 120	Herodotus
GREEK 121	Thucydides
GREEK 122	Attic Oratory

GREEK 123	Plato and Aristotle	
Total Units		16
Recommended Courses, Upper Division Requirement		
Select one course from the following:		4
Additional course in GREEK		
Additional course in LATIN		
Additional course in CLASSIC		
HISTART 141A	The Art of Ancient Greece: Archaic Greek Art and Architecture (750-480 B.C.)	
HISTART 141B	The Art of Ancient Greece: Classical Greek Art and Architecture (500-320 B.C.)	
HISTART 145	Roman Art	
HISTORY 105A	Ancient Greece: Archaic and Classical Greek History	
HISTORY 105B	Ancient Greece: The Greek World: 403-31 BCE	
HISTORY 106A	Ancient Rome: The Roman Republic	
HISTORY 106B	Ancient Rome: The Roman Empire	
HISTORY 108	Byzantium	
PHILOS 160	Plato	
PHILOS 161	Aristotle	
POL SCI 112A	History of Political Theory	
RHETOR 166	Rhetoric in Law and Politics	
SANSKR 100A	Elementary Sanskrit	
SANSKR 100B	Elementary Sanskrit	
Total Units		4

Students who have a strong interest in an area of study outside their major often decide to complete a minor program. These programs have set requirements and are noted officially on the transcript in the memoranda section, but they are not noted on diplomas.

General Guidelines

1. All courses taken to fulfill the minor requirements below must be taken for a letter grade.
2. Five upper division courses in the Classics Department. Courses or seminars taught by Classics professors in other departments may also be accepted, in consultation with the Undergraduate Faculty Adviser.
3. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 is required for courses used to fulfill the minor requirements.
4. Courses used to fulfill the minor requirements may be applied toward the Seven-Course Breadth requirement, for Letters & Science students.
5. No more than one upper division course may be used to simultaneously fulfill requirements for a student's major and minor programs.
6. All minor requirements must be completed prior to the last day of finals during the semester in which you plan to graduate.
7. All minor requirements must be completed within the unit ceiling. (For further information regarding the unit ceiling, please see the College Requirements tab.)

Requirements

Upper Division

Select five upper division courses in Greek language and related courses

At least three courses must be in the Greek language

Up to two courses may be courses with substantial content relevant to Greek literature, philosophy, culture, or history

Undergraduate students in the College of Letters & Science must fulfill the following requirements in addition to those required by their major program.

For detailed lists of courses that fulfill college requirements, please review the College of Letters & Sciences (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2017-18/undergraduate/colleges-schools/letters-science>) page in this Guide.

Entry Level Writing (<http://writing.berkeley.edu/node/78>)

All students who will enter the University of California as freshmen must demonstrate their command of the English language by fulfilling the Entry Level Writing requirement. Fulfillment of this requirement is also a prerequisite to enrollment in all reading and composition courses at UC Berkeley.

American History and American Institutions (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2017-18/undergraduate/colleges-schools/letters-science/american-history-institutions-requirement>)

The American History and Institutions requirements are based on the principle that a US resident graduated from an American university, should have an understanding of the history and governmental institutions of the United States.

American Cultures (<http://americancultures.berkeley.edu/students/courses>)

American Cultures is the one requirement that all undergraduate students at Cal need to take and pass in order to graduate. The requirement offers an exciting intellectual environment centered on the study of race, ethnicity and culture of the United States. AC courses offer students opportunities to be part of research-led, highly accomplished teaching environments, grappling with the complexity of American Culture.

Quantitative Reasoning

The Quantitative Reasoning requirement is designed to ensure that students graduate with basic understanding and competency in math, statistics, or computer science. The requirement may be satisfied by exam or by taking an approved course.

Foreign Language

The Foreign Language requirement may be satisfied by demonstrating proficiency in reading comprehension, writing, and conversation in a foreign language equivalent to the second semester college level, either by passing an exam or by completing approved course work.

Reading and Composition

In order to provide a solid foundation in reading, writing, and critical thinking the College requires two semesters of lower division work in composition in sequence. Students must complete a first-level reading and composition course by the end of their second semester and a second-level course by the end of their fourth semester.

Breadth Requirements

The undergraduate breadth requirements provide Berkeley students with a rich and varied educational experience outside of their major program. As the foundation of a liberal arts education, breadth courses give students a view into the intellectual life of the University while introducing them to a multitude of perspectives and approaches to research and scholarship. Engaging students in new disciplines and with peers from other majors, the breadth experience strengthens interdisciplinary connections and context that prepares Berkeley graduates to understand and solve the complex issues of their day.

Unit Requirements

- 120 total units, including at least 60 L&S units
- Of the 120 units, 36 must be upper division units
- Of the 36 upper division units, 6 must be taken in courses offered outside your major department

Residence Requirements

For units to be considered in "residence," you must be registered in courses on the Berkeley campus as a student in the College of Letters & Science. Most students automatically fulfill the residence requirement by attending classes here for four years. In general, there is no need to be concerned about this requirement, unless you go abroad for a semester or year or want to take courses at another institution or through UC Extension during your senior year. In these cases, you should make an appointment to meet an adviser to determine how you can meet the Senior Residence Requirement.

Note: Courses taken through UC Extension do not count toward residence.

Senior Residence Requirement

After you become a senior (with 90 semester units earned toward your BA degree), you must complete at least 24 of the remaining 30 units in residence in at least two semesters. To count as residence, a semester must consist of at least 6 passed units. Intercampus Visitor, EAP, and UC Berkeley-Washington Program (UCDC) units are excluded.

You may use a Berkeley Summer Session to satisfy one semester of the Senior Residence requirement, provided that you successfully complete 6 units of course work in the Summer Session and that you have been enrolled previously in the college.

Modified Senior Residence Requirement

Participants in the UC Education Abroad Program (EAP) or the UC Berkeley Washington Program (UCDC) may meet a Modified Senior Residence requirement by completing 24 (excluding EAP) of their final 60 semester units in residence. At least 12 of these 24 units must be completed after you have completed 90 units.

Upper Division Residence Requirement

You must complete in residence a minimum of 18 units of upper division courses (excluding EAP units), 12 of which must satisfy the requirements for your major.

Mission

The learning goals should be understood in the context of the mission statement of the Department of Classics (<http://www.classics.berkeley.edu/about>). The first two components of that statement are especially relevant to undergraduate teaching and are repeated here:

1. To give students across the University access to the literature, history, archaeology, mythology and philosophy of the ancient Greek and Roman world through an array of undergraduate courses on classical culture in translation. These courses introduce students to texts, artifacts, and ideas that are worth studying both in their own right and as abidingly influential elements in the imagination and history of later cultures. Such study deepens students' understanding of present-day issues by inculcating a sense of historical perspective that takes into account both the differences and the continuities between contemporary and ancient cultures.
2. To enable undergraduates to immerse themselves in the language and culture of ancient Greece and Rome through its majors in Greek, Latin, and Classical Civilizations. These majors equip students with knowledge and analytical skills that can be applied in many areas (e.g., law, politics, business, biosciences, computer science, and media) as well as providing essential preparation for graduate study in Classics, Comparative Literature, Philosophy, and other fields.

Learning Goals for the Major

1. Acquire a basic grounding in the vocabulary, morphology, and syntax of classical Greek.
2. Practice the skills needed to use dictionaries, grammars, and other resources to read intermediate texts accurately and to deal comfortably with at least some advanced texts in the original language(s).
3. Gain a critical awareness of continuities and differences between and within cultures and of ideologies of gender, group identity, social status, and political organization.
4. Demonstrate the ability to interpret texts and material culture and to understand the implications of interpretive methods.
5. Demonstrate the ability to synthesize a well-organized argument from textual or other evidence and to express it in formal English prose.

Greek

GREEK 1 Elementary Greek 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016

Beginners' course.

Elementary Greek: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Elementary Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK 2 Elementary Greek 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016

Beginners' course.

Elementary Greek: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 1 or equivalent

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Elementary Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK 15 The Greek Workshop 10 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Summer 2018 10 Week Session, Summer 2017 10 Week Session, Summer 2016 10 Week Session

Designed for anyone who wishes to acquire reading knowledge of ancient Greek; replaces 2+ semesters of traditional study. Lectures, discussions, drills and tutorial sessions on grammar and vocabulary; readings in prose and poetry (e.g., Homer, Plato, Greek Tragedy, the Gospels).

The Greek Workshop: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Senior or graduate standing, or consent of instructor

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive five units of credit for Greek 15 after taking Greek 1

Students will receive no credit for Greek 15 after taking Greek 2

Students will receive no credit for Greek 15 after taking Greek 10

Hours & Format

Summer: 10 weeks - 15 hours of lecture and 15 hours of recitation per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructor: Chairman

The Greek Workshop: Read Less [-]

GREEK 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Restricted to freshmen and sophomores; consent of instructor; 3.3 overall GPA

Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

GREEK 100 Plato and Attic Prose 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016

Readings from Plato's or , and from other Attic prose authors (e.g., Xenophon, Lysias); some review of grammar.

Plato and Attic Prose: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 2, 10, or 15

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Plato and Attic Prose: Read Less [-]

GREEK 101 Homer 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015

Selected readings in the or .

Homer: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 1-2, 10, or 15

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Homer: Read Less [-]

GREEK 102 Drama and Society 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015

Reading of one Greek tragedy, and of further selections from the dramatists and/or prose literature of fifth century Athens.

Drama and Society: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 100

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Drama and Society: Read Less [-]

GREEK 105 The Greek New Testament 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2012

Readings in the Gospels and/or Acts and/or Epistles.

The Greek New Testament: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 100

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

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The Greek New Testament: Read Less [-]

GREEK 115 Archaic Poetry 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2018, Spring 2015, Spring 2014

Readings in various Greek poets.

Archaic Poetry: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 101 or 102

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Archaic Poetry: Read Less [-]

GREEK 116 Greek Drama 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2015, Spring 2013, Spring 2012

Selected readings from Greek tragedy and/or comedy.

Greek Drama: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 101 or 102

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Greek Drama: Read Less [-]

GREEK 117 Hellenistic Poets 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2009, Fall 2002, Fall 2000

Readings in various Hellenistic poets.

Hellenistic Poets: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 101 or 102

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Hellenistic Poets: Read Less [-]

GREEK 120 Herodotus 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2017, Spring 2012, Spring 2006

Readings in Herodotus.

Herodotus: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Herodotus: Read Less [-]

GREEK 121 Thucydides 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2011, Fall 2007

Readings in Thucydides.

Thucydides: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Thucydides: Read Less [-]

GREEK 122 Attic Oratory 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Spring 2017, Fall 2013, Fall 2006

Readings in oratory.

Attic Oratory: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Attic Oratory: Read Less [-]

GREEK 123 Plato and Aristotle 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2016, Spring 2013

Readings in Plato and Aristotle.

Plato and Aristotle: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Greek 100 and either 101 or 102 or 105

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Plato and Aristotle: Read Less [-]

GREEK 125 Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and Imperial Periods 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2016, Spring 2014, Fall 2011

Selected readings in Greek prose or poetry written by authors active during the Hellenistic Age and the Roman Empire (3rd century BCE to 6th century CE).

Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and Imperial Periods: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 100, and either 101, 102, or 105

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.
Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Hickey

Greek Literature of the Hellenistic and Imperial Periods: Read Less [-]

GREEK 160 Greek Prose Syntax and Stylistics 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Not yet offered

The goal of this course is to improve your understanding of Greek prose, its basic syntactical principles and the stylistic variation we see across the corpus. To this end, the course will comprise several components: review of grammar (especially syntax), vocabulary, and idiom; composition exercises; and reading passages (prepared and at sight) from Greek authors.

Greek Prose Syntax and Stylistics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Greek Prose Syntax and Stylistics: Read Less [-]

GREEK H195A Honors Course in Greek 2 - 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Spring 1998

This is a two-semester Honors course [H195A-B]. The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Greek major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.

Honors Course in Greek: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-3 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part one of a year long series course. A provisional grade of IP (in progress) will be applied and later replaced with the final grade after completing part two of the series. Final exam not required.

Honors Course in Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK H195B Honors Course in Greek 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

The work for the Honors course may either build on work in a previous upper division course used in fulfillment of the Greek major or may be a newly conceived project. The work will result in the writing of a thesis, to be evaluated by an Honors committee of three members. Written thesis due the Monday of the 13th week of the semester in which the course is taken.

Honors Course in Greek: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: A student must be a declared major in the Classics Department and in the subject in which Honors is done. A student must have a 3.6 overall GPA and a 3.6 GPA in the major courses

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. This is part two of a year long series course. Upon completion, the final grade will be applied to both parts of the series. Final exam not required.

Honors Course in Greek: Read Less [-]

GREEK 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units

Offered through: Classics

Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Restricted to senior honors students

Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Summer:

6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Greek/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]