

discuss with them whether they would like to pursue the Coursework Option or the Thesis Option. If a student is considering the Thesis Option, they will write the SRP as the basis of a thesis chapter. In late August, when the supervisor has graded the SRP, the student will have a discussion with the supervisor and the Graduate Chair to make a final decision about whether they will pursue the Coursework Option or the Thesis Option. If the student is moving forward with a thesis, they need to consult documentation about that process and, most importantly, discuss the plan with the supervisor as early as possible.

**Department of Classical Studies
MA Program: Summer Research Paper**

GUIDELINES

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Summer Research Paper (SRP) in the Classics Department is completed by all MA students between their first and second years in the program and is a requirement for the completion of the MA program. The project is meant to give students experience completing a substantial research project that offers some original thought and argumentation in the field of Classics.

The topic can be from any subfield of Classical Studies (Philology, Archaeology, Ancient History) and students will want to start thinking as early as possible about the subjects that interest them and might form the basis of the project. When the student has a general sense of what they will research, they should then think about the appropriate faculty member to ask to supervise the SRP. Sometimes this may be a faculty member with whom the student has already worked in courses, but this is not always the case. A student's interests may intersect more with those of someone else in the department and they should approach the person most appropriate to supervise the topic chosen.

The purpose of the SRP is to give the student in-depth expertise in a specific

Archaeological material and use of images

Expectations specific to the subject (e.g., conventions of working with epigraphy/papyrology; textual criticism; specific theoretical approaches, etc.)

SRP SCHEDULE:

When a topic has been chosen and a supervisor secured, the student should meet with the supervisor to discuss a specific schedule of work during the summer

- IV In February or March of the second year (Term 5), thesis students present to the department a lecture or seminar on their research to date.
- V The M.A. thesis and thesis examination will follow the [thesis regulations](#) established by SGPS.

All requirements must be completed by the end of April of the second year in order to graduate in Spring Convocation. No funding from the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies will be available beyond Term 5

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES (SGPS) REGULATIONS

For a complete list of SGPS regulations, students should consult the [website](#) of the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (SGPS).

REGISTRATION, TUITION and FEES

Registration occurs for all five terms, (Fall, Winter and Summer of Year 1, Fall and Winter of Year 2).

Tuition fee bills are available online only. Students will be able to view any “pending financial aid” on the [Student Center](#) website, which will be subtracted from the owing balance. Tuition may be paid via online banking, by sending or presenting a cheque/money order to the Registrar’s Office (Western Student Services Building, Room 1120), or by debit card in the Registrar’s Office.

ADDING or DROPPING GRADUATE COURSES (6.03)

All courses added or dropped by the student must be approved by the Graduate Chair of the student's program

BUS PASSES

All full-time graduate students are eligible to receive a city-wide bus pass as part of their membership in SOGS (graduate students are automatically members). This bus pass provides unlimited ridership on London Transit buses throughout the academic year, on a term by term basis (approximately \$60/term). For more information, consult the [SOGS](#) website. The SOGS office is located at University Community Centre, room 260.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

All graduate students receive one email address. This address will be used by the School of Graduate and Post Doctoral Studies (SGPS), by the Department, and by Human Resources (HR). Please ensure that you check your official Western

DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICAL STUDIES PRIVILEGES/SERVICES

COMPUTER USE

Students are welcome to use the computers and scanners located in the Classical Studies Library (LAH 3202). If you have a key (see above), the lv

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Global Opportunities Awards

[Application form](#)

Value:

Mary ROUTLEDGE Fellowships (Amount Varies)

Application deadline: usually January 31



COMMONLY USED BUILDING ABBREVIATIONS

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ABBREVIATIONS	FULL NAME	POSTAL CODE
3M Ctr	3M Centre	N6A 3K7
AH	Alumni Hall	N6A 5B9
HSA	Health Sciences Addition	N6A 5C1
HSB	Arthur & Sonia Labatt Health Sciences Bldg	N6A 5B9



APPENDIX 2

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO Department of Classical Studies

MA with Thesis

The Thesis Option

This is available to all incoming M.A. students. Students will be informed about all regulations that apply to this option. The advantages and disadvantages of both the thesis and the course-work options will be discussed with the students. Consideration of the overall goals of the students will be a factor in this discussion.

Course Requirements with the Thesis Option

Students writing a thesis will normally be required to take 3.0 Full-Course Equivalents in Year 1, including at least 1.0 Full Course Equivalent (FCE) at the graduate level. In Year 2, students will normally be required to take 1.0 FCE at the graduate level, in addition to their thesis (the equivalent of 2.0 FCE [graduate]).

Modern Language Requirement

A test in a modern language of the student's choice (normally French, German or Italian) will be administered to all students during the first year of the program, with a pass/fail grade awarded. Students are expected to have passed this test by the end of August, before beginning the second year of the program.

Requirements/Deadlines for a Student Intending to Write a Thesis

Year 1

- September: The student will select 3.0 FCE, including at least 2.0 FCE at the graduate level.
- By March 15:
1. The student will find a Thesis Supervisor and a second faculty member, who together will constitute the Thesis Supervising Committee. This will be done in consultation with the Graduate Chair.
 2. The student will present to the Graduate Chair