

## Mission Statement

The Institute for Classical Philology, Medieval Latin, and Neo-Latin Studies teaches the languages (Greek and Latin), literature, culture, history, philosophy and thought of ancient Greece and Rome. It takes a broad view, encompassing Late Antique, medieval, and Neo-Latin language and Latin literature, even down to modern *Latinitas viva* (modern spoken and written Latin). It thus covers a period of approximately 2700 years.

The primary areas of research of the Institute are Greek and Roman epic, Greek tragedy, Greek and Roman philosophy, early imperial Roman literature, Patristics, late antique and medieval Latin language, literature and culture, as well as early modern and contemporary Latin studies.

The Institute offers students the opportunity to develop a comprehensive knowledge of ancient Greek and Roman language and civilisation, as well as an appreciation of the ways in which the legacy of Greece and Rome has been received, appropriated, and imaginatively transformed by later writers down to the modern period. The study of the Greco-Roman antiquity over the *longue durée* transcends nationalisms and national boundaries to achieve a broad and inclusive geographical and cultural catchment.

The Institute offers study programs for undergraduates as well as for postgraduates (Bachelor Program, Master Program, including teaching certification for secondary schools).