

The Bridge to the Doctorate: A 2-year fully funded Fellowship in Classics at the University of Virginia

The Bridge to the Doctorate Program in Classics at the University of Virginia seeks to support students from groups that are underrepresented in our discipline and who have not yet received sufficient training and research experience to prepare them for admission to doctoral programs.

The Bridge Fellowship is a fully funded two-year program designed to help promising students acquire research and language skills needed to pursue a Ph.D. in Classics. The Fellowship aims exclusively to assist the professional and personal development of the Fellow, and as such it comes without teaching responsibilities. Fellows will receive \$24,000 per year in living support and full payment of their tuition and fees, and single-person coverage in the University's student health insurance plan for a period of two years.

Bridge Fellows in Classics will receive professional guidance and mentorship and will enroll in a combination of courses, individual tutorials, and guided research opportunities. They will also benefit from UVA's intensive graduate student professional development curriculum, "PhD Plus."

Classics Faculty at UVA will develop a customized academic plan to suit the needs of each Fellow, which will identify opportunities for additional disciplinary training, enable them to cultivate writing and research skills, and develop a competitive portfolio for applying to doctoral programs. Predicated on a student's strong and sustained performance during the two years of the Bridge Fellowship, the Department of Classics is committed either to admitting Fellows directly into our Ph.D. program or to assisting Fellows with their applications to other PhD programs.

We strongly encourage students from diverse ethnic groups, economically disadvantaged / low-income backgrounds, and first-generation college students to apply.

Applications are accepted at: <https://graduate.as.virginia.edu/bridge-doctorate>. **Deadline for entry in the Fall semester 2021: March 1, 2021.**

Prerequisites and Criteria

Applicants for the UVA Bridge Fellowship should have completed two years of college level training in one of the ancient languages (Latin or Greek), and preferably one year in the other. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

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