

**Achieving an excellent education is about many things:** becoming a well-educated citizen, gaining knowledge for thoughtful and well-considered decisions, engaging your curiosity, and developing skills that will contribute to the greater good, to name a few. In addition, your education also prepares you to pursue a **wide variety of career paths.**

**Depth of knowledge** generally refers to the information and ways of thinking that are directly related to your academic major. In addition, you have developed an **incredibly versatile set of skills:** to think analytically and critically; to view issues in context and from multiple perspectives; to ask and address questions about ethical and societal implications; to pursue research; to engage your creativity; and to communicate complex issues clearly. Thus, **Classics majors** offer an array of skills which are **highly valued by employers** from all sectors.

**Many Possibilities.** Because your major is not narrowly focused on specific career paths, you have a wide array of professional options. While this kind of career flexibility is definitely good news, it requires you to be more *proactive* in identifying and articulating your skills to potential employers.

**Ready for "the Work World."** The top five critical skills identified by employers in a recent national survey were:

- Ability to communicate clearly
- Interpersonal / Teamwork skills
- Problem-solving and decision-making abilities
- Ability to find and process information
- Ability to plan, organize, and prioritize

*You have undoubtedly developed these skills while studying at UW.*

### **JOB SKILLS RELATED TO MAJORING IN CLASSICS**

Here are even more career-related skills and strengths that employers value:

Read/interpret/synthesize complex material  
See situations from multiple perspectives  
Produce effective persuasive writing  
Design and implement engaging presentations  
Understand nuance and subtlety  
Conduct research  
Handle ambiguity adeptly  
Apply mental agility to creative problem-solving  
Understand the broader context  
Gather, analyze, organize, interpret data  
Link abstract concepts to practical applications  
Understand human nature & its variations

Identify and examine implications  
Propose and support recommendations  
Simultaneously see big picture and details  
Engage intellectual curiosity  
Bring motivation, imagination, enthusiasm, initiative  
Work well individually and on teams  
Understand & appreciate cultural diversity  
Understand how "data" can be interpreted in multiple ways  
Explore social, cultural, scientific implications  
And many more!

### **CONSIDER JOBS IN ALL THREE OF THESE CATEGORIES:**

1. Classics major is *required or preferred* and the job's *primary* responsibilities directly relate to your major
2. Your major is *required or preferred* but job's *primary* responsibilities aren't directly related to your major
3. Your major *isn't required or preferred* but your other transferable skills make you highly qualified

**1. Classics is *Required or Preferred* and the job's *primary* responsibilities directly relate to your major**

Latin Teacher/Tutor (many)  
Latin/Greek Lecturer/Instructor  
Online Language Tutor (Transparent Language)  
Classical Languages Teachers (Great Heart Academies / Certification not required; many private schools)  
Languages Other Than English (LOTE) Scoring - Latin (Educational Testing Service)  
Humanities Instructor (Ville de Marie Academy)  
SAT & AP Subject Tutor (C2 Education)  
Medical Terminology Instructor  
History Tutor

**2. Classics is *Required or Preferred* but job's *primary* responsibilities aren't directly related to your major**

Circulation Supervisor/Technical Processor (Library, University of California, Berkeley)  
Copy Editor (Redfin)  
Travel Sales Coordinator (Travel2Greece)  
Travel and Tour Assistant (Book4It Travel)  
Tour Agent (Homerich Tours)  
Travel Consultant - Greece/Italy (AA Apointments)  
Blogger for Travel Site specialized on Greek Islands  
Editorial Assistant II (University of California)  
Editorial Assistant (Bedford, Freeman & Worth Publishers)  
K-12 Humanities Specialist (Pearson Education)  
Operations Assistant (Macmillan Higher Education Publishing)  
Intelligence Analyst (Leidos)  
Foreign Affairs Officer (U.S. Department Of State)  
Production/Archival Coordinator (The HistoryMakers)  
Academic Adviser (many)  
Trainee PPC Analyst (Forward3D)  
Administrative Coordinator, Curatorial Department (Hammer Museum)  
Program Associate for Education Abroad (Dickinson College)  
LSAT Instructor/Coach (Kaplan, Princeton Review, others)

**3. Classics *isn't required or preferred* but your other transferable skills make you highly qualified:**

Associate Account Strategist, SMB Sales, University Graduate (Google), Service Coordinator (Choice Program), Grassroots Advocacy Coordinator (EveryLife Foundation for Rare Diseases), Research Associate (Environmental Law Institute), Knowledge Assistant (Children's Law Center), Recruitment & Admissions Assistant (Fund for American Studies), Partner Support Coordinator (Kiva Microfunds), Assistant Community Outreach Coordinator (Next Step Living), Change Corps Assistant Organizing Director (Work for Progress), Investigative Advocate (Disability Rights Washington), City Year - Corps Member (City Year Seattle/King County), Financial Advisor (ING Financial Partners), Patient Services Representative (Seattle Reproductive Medicine), Outreach Coordinator (MedBridge Education), Junior Project Manager (HealthPath Education), Internet Marketing Specialist (Chair 10 Marketing), Immigration Assistant/Receptionist (Law Firm), Marketing Coordinator (Yext), Account Coordinator, Employee Benefits (MCM), Executive Team Leader (Target), Marketing Assistant (University Enterprises)

*More: Project Manager, Social Media Campaign Developer, Policy and Advocacy Specialist, FBI/CIA Agent*

***These are just some examples. The Career Center can help you find positions that meet your goals!***