The Department of Classics at The University of Iowa has a long & distinguished history of training graduate students to the highest standards & preparing them for the demands of teaching, research, & digital methodologies both inside and outside of the academy. It continues this tradition with a faculty distinguished for research & teaching across the spectrum of classical studies, from Homer to late antiquity. Classics is a medium-sized department that combines rigorous & supportive training of our students with close mentoring & broad support. You should study at Iowa because we offer a wide range of subspecialties, including Biblical Studies & Christianity, along with a concentration in Late Antiquity. Our students have won fellowships at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens & have successfully applied for grants. Recent Iowa graduates have been hired at the University of Tennessee & Agnes Scott College.

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