I. Background Information

A. Title of Program: Ancient Studies Certificate

B. Department(s)/Program(s): Art & Design, Geography and Anthropology, History, Languages, Political Science, Philosophy and Religious Studies

C. Administrative Home: Department of Languages

D. Division: X Undergraduate □ Graduate (Requires approval by APC*) (Requires approval by GC**)

E. Effective Year and Term for Implementation of Action: Fall 2016

II. Unit Approvals

A. Department Chair(s)/Program Director(s) 

B. Dean of College 

C. Chair, Academic Policies Committee 

D. Chair, Graduate Council 

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* APC = Academic Policies Committee
** GC = Graduate Council
III. Certificate program proposals should originate at the department/program level; all affected departments/programs must endorse proposals. Each proposal will include the following:

A. Context for the certificate program (any predecessor programs, relationship to existing programs, alignment with university mission);

This is a compact version of the Ancient Studies Minor, which provides rigorous and intentional undergraduate liberal education in the same disciplines. In so doing, it promotes the University’s commitment to global learning.

B. Rationale explaining need for the program (e.g., target audience(s), evidence of long-term need, anticipated enrollment);

This certificate is designed for undergraduate students with an interest in Ancient Studies. It is particularly geared toward students for whom a deeper understanding of the societies and cultures of the ancient world – foundational within a humanistic education – will complement and enhance their major area of study and/or future careers (via list of disciplines above).

“Ancient” is demarcated across disciplines by different chronological parameters, e.g., “ancient” in various Mediterranean areas is not the same time-frame as “ancient” within the Americas.

C. Statement of benefits to students, the department(s)/program(s), college(s), and university;

Since the minor requirement is becoming one of several “second program” requirements for our students, students will be able to pursue a variety of interests. This certificate enables students with an interest in a specific discipline, an interdisciplinary one encompassing different disciplines, to pursue meaningful study in that area.

D. Description of the academic component including:

i. Learning goals and outcomes for students;

As students explore Ancient Studies they:

Analyze diverse experiences of or viewpoints on past civilizations and cultures, incorporating and assessing evidence from archaeological remains; documents and inscriptions; sculpture, painting, and architecture; theory and literary patterns; as well as historical developments of these phenomena. Students will learn to recognize continuity and change over time and describe their significance within context and also their consequences and impact over time.
ii. **Specification of any program admission requirements, minimum GPA requirements for courses, GPA requirements for certificate completion above the university minimum, applicability of the S/U option;**

Any undergraduate student may complete an Ancient Studies certificate.

iii. **Course array, including specification of new, required and elective courses. If electives are allowed within the certificate program, an explanation of the proposed electives in light of the need for program cohesion should be included.**

A minimum of 12 credits is required.

From the following list, two courses – any level – with the same prefix must be selected (to serve as a core from one discipline, with which to develop perspective on others)

The remaining six credits from any on the following list. Four credits of language study (Classical Greek or Latin) may be applied to the certificate.

At least six credits must be at the 300 level or above.

Introduction to Archaeology (ANTH 169); Art History Survey I (ARTH 111); Greek, Etruscan, and Roman Art (ARTH 315); Precolumbian Art of Mexico and Central America (ARTH 335); Classical Mythology (FLTR 250); Readings in Ancient Literature (FLTR 360); Beginning Classical Greek I (GRK 101); Beginning Classical Greek II (GRK 102); Ancient Near Eastern Civilizations (HIST 302); Greek Civilization (HIST 304); Roman Civilization (HIST 306); Ancient Historiography (HIST 308); Beginning Latin I (LAT 101); Beginning Latin II (LAT 102); Ancient Philosophy (PHIL 235); Old Testament (RELS 230); New Testament (RELS 240); Early Christianity (RELS 303); Classical Political Thought (POLS 309);

With advisor approval the following may be applied to completion of the certificate:
--up to 3 credits of relevant Independent Study or Directed Studies
--additional relevant courses

**Note:** Courses used for the certificate cannot count for the student’s major program.

In all Ancient Studies courses students learn to analyze diverse viewpoints and appreciate the consequences of continuity and change through time. This certificate allows students to focus on Ancient Studies while they meet those outcomes.

E. **Description of the administration, staffing, and budgeting for the program, including:**
i. Faculty/staff participating in the certificate program;

Faculty/Staff will vary, as do those teaching Ancient Studies Minor courses. As of this writing they include K. O'Day (Art History), K. Schaupp (Philosophy), P. Myers (Political Science), C. Burns (Religious Studies), M. Waters (Languages/History).

ii. Proposed frequency of offering for courses included in the certificate program;

An array of courses to choose from will be offered every semester, this varies by department. Each course in the list has been offered at least once every two years, most annually, some every semester.

iii. Proposed arrangements for ongoing advising for students in the certificate program;

The Ancient Studies Minor Advisor (currently Matt Waters) advises minors and will advise certificate seekers.

iv. Anticipated need for student support services for students enrolled in the certificate program;

No new services required.

v. Identification of an administrative home for certificate programs involving more than one academic department/program;

Languages (home department for Ancient Studies Minor).

vi. Funding needs to initiate and maintain the certificate program, including source(s) of funding and any needed resource reallocation;

This certificate utilizes existing courses, so no new resources are needed.

vii. Impact on existing courses and programs.

No impact is anticipated as the courses already are included in the Ancient Studies Minor.

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Additional Information

• For complete information, see Policy Statement on Credit-Bearing Certificate Programs at http://www.uwec.edu/CAS/faculty/infoandforms.htm.
• Submit the certificate proposal electronically to College of Arts and Sciences Office for review (cassidmil@uwec.edu or nilsena@uwec.edu).

• Finalized proposals will be considered by the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee (CASCC). The CASCC will route the approved proposal to APC or GC as appropriate.