MA in Classics: Works in Translation

Be thoughtful in choosing translations. As a rule of thumb, newer translations are more helpful than older ones, although some older ones remain excellent. Readily available series that are generally reliable are Hackett, Oxford World Classics, and Penguin Classics, although you should consider them on a case-by-case basis. The Loeb Classical Library and Aris & Phillips Commentaries series have the advantage of facing-page original text, although you should be wary of many of the older Loeb translations. You are encouraged to consult with faculty members about recommendations for specific, texts, authors, and genres. All works listed are to be read in their entirety, unless otherwise indicated.

Greek

Homer
- Iliad
- Odyssey

Homeric Hymns
- Demeter

Hesiod
- Theogony

Aeschylus
- Oresteia

Sophocles
- Antigone

Euripides
- Hippolytus
- Medea

Aristophanes
- Clouds
- Lysistrata

Herodotus
- Books 1, 7, and 8

Thucydides
- Books 1, 2

Plato
- Symposium
- Apology
- Republic 1, 2, and 10

Apollonius
- Argonautica Book 3

Plutarch
- Lives of Alcibiades
- Coriolanus

Chariton
- Chaereas and Callirhoe

Latin

Lucretius
- De Rerum Natura Book 1

Catullus
- All

Cicero
- In Catilinam 1-4
- Pro Caelio

Caesar
- Gallic War

Sallust
- Conspiracy of Catiline

Vergil
- Aeneid

Horace
- Satires Book 1
- Odes Books 1 and 3

Tibullus
- Book 1

Propertius
- Book 1

Ovid
- Amores Book 1
- Metamorphoses Books 1, 6, and 10

Livy
- Book 1

Augustus
- Res Gestae
Seneca
Petronius
Tacitus
Suetonius
Apuleius

Apocolocyntosis
Satyricon
Annals Book 1
Caesar, Augustus, Nero
Metamorphoses