A GUIDE TO THE:
CLASSICS
COLLECTION
GENERAL INFORMATION
Materials in the Classics have been widely collected from the Library's beginnings: there are now substantial holdings of 19th and early-20th century materials, as well as copies of more recent books and periodicals.

The Library aims to provide editions of every significant work in classical Greek and Latin, and also a representative selection of Byzantine and mediaeval Latin works. Commentaries on the more important works are acquired, together with a broad range of secondary literature. There is also a significant number of bilingual editions (most notably the Loeb classical library series) and translations.

In addition, the Library's collections include sections on both Greek and Latin language. The most important classical encyclopaedias and dictionaries are also available.

Shelving Arrangements
The Library's books on the Classics are to be found in three main areas of the building:

1. Literature
 Begins on the 3rd floor and continues on the 4th (use the small staircase in Literature stacks), under the following shelf-marks:

L.Greek Lit., Hist of
General works (on more than two writers) on Greek and Byzantine literature.

L. Greek & Latin Text &c.
Ancient Greek, Byzantine and classical Latin texts in alphabetical order of catalogue main entry (ie by author, or by title for anonymous works). Within each subdivision, text editions (including all bilingual editions apart from those of the Loeb classical library series) are shelved in order of publication date, with secondary literature and commentaries without text following. Critical studies on two writers are shelved under the first named one; those on more than two writers are shelved in L. Greek Lit., Hist. of, or L. Latin Lit., Hist. of.

L. Greek & Latin Lit., Trans.
Translations of Greek and Latin works and copies of the Loeb classical library series.

L. Later Latin Lit.
Mediæval Latin texts, commentaries and critical studies.

L. Later Latin Lit., Trans.
Translations of mediæval Latin texts.
L Latin Lit., Hist of
General works on the history of classical and late antique Latin literature (covering more than two writers).

L. Mediaeval Lit., Hist. of
Includes works on the history of mediaeval Latin literature.

2. Language
In the Philology section, on the Mezzanine, Philology [8vo] includes the following relevant subdivisions:

Classical
Works on both Greek and Latin language, the history of classical scholarship, and subject encyclopædias. Harvard studies in classical philology and Yale classical studies.

Greek, Ancient
Grammars, dictionaries and linguistic works covering ancient and Byzantine Greek.

Inscriptions
Editions of Greek and Latin inscriptions and relevant critical studies. Supplementum epigraphicum Græcum.

Latin
Grammars, dictionaries and linguistic works covering ancient and mediaeval Latin.

Palæography
Works on Greek and Latin palæography.

Papyri
Editions of Greek and Latin papyri and relevant critical studies.

(Philology 4to books are arranged in one unsubdivided sequence.)

3. Reference Works
In the main Reading Room, under the following subdivisions:

Classical
Dictionaries and encyclopædias, such as Pauly’s Realencyclopädie der Classischen Altertumswissenschaft, Der Neue Pauly and the Oxford classical dictionary.
Greek (Ancient)
Ancient and patristic Greek language dictionaries.

Latin
Classical and mediaeval Latin language dictionaries.

Periodicals
The following is a selection of periodicals of related interest, mostly current subscriptions. Unless otherwise stated, the current issue is kept in the Reading Room with earlier bound volumes shelved alphabetically by title in the main Periodical section of the book stacks:

American journal of philology
L’année philologique (in Bibliography, Classical – 5th Floor)
Archivum latinitatis medii ævi
Bulletin of the Institute of Classical Studies
Byzantine and modern Greek studies
Byzantinische Zeitschrift
Byzantinoslavica
Byzantion
Classical Association proceedings
Classical quarterly
Classical review
Dumbarton Oaks papers
Greece & Rome
Harvard studies in classical philology (in Philology section – 2nd Floor Mezzanine)
Hermathena
Journal of Hellenic studies
Journal of Roman studies
Medieval studies
Medievalia et humanistica
Medium ævum
Scriptorium
Speculum
Travaux et memoires - Centre de recherche d'histoire et civilisation Byzantines
Viator
Yale classical studies (in Philology section – 2nd Floor Mezzanine)
Online Services
The Institute of Classical Studies, with links to other related organisations:
www.kls.sas.ac.uk

The School of Advanced Study, with a link to the library catalogue (including the ICS
catalogue):
www.sas.ac.uk

The Perseus Digital Library (of resources for studying the ancient world):
www.perseus.tufts.edu/

Other sites of classical interest:
www.ancientlibrary.com
www.georgetown.edu/labyrinth/library/latin/latin-lib.html
www.intute.ac.uk/artsandhumanities/
www.chass.utoronto.ca/amphoras/tocs.html