Internet resources for classical studies

By Fred W. Jenkins and Nancy Courtney

Ancient Greece and Rome come to life online

Despite their sometimes stodgy reputation, classicists have been in the forefront in taking advantage of new technologies. Classical resources on the Internet have proliferated to such an extent that only a small selection can be noted here; fortunately the self-referential nature of the Web ensures that an enterprising searcher will find nearly everything of interest from these starting points. We have focused on Web sites that provide comprehensive links to other Internet resources and/or extensive and unique collections of reference or research materials, on full-text electronic journals, and on discussion groups of reasonably wide interest. In general, we have omitted the homepages of individuals and academic departments.

General sites/starting places

- **Electronic Resources for Classicists: The Second Generation.** A very well organized introduction to classics resources on the Internet written by Maria C. Pantelia of the University of California, Irvine. Items are grouped by type of resource, (e.g., gateways, e-text archives, professional organizations, etc.). Access: http://www.tlg.uci.edu/~tlg/index/resources.html.
- **Classics and Mediterranean Archaeology.** A collection of Internet links maintained by the University of California, Santa Barbara. Access: http://humanitas.ucsb.edu/shuttle/archaeol.html.
- **Classics Collections Page.** A compilation of Internet resources from Blake Landor of the University of Florida Library. Access: http://nervm.nerdc.ufl.edu/~blaland/Class.html.
- **Repositories of Classical Texts or Publications.** This selected list of classics sites by J. Ruebel of Iowa State University includes more types of material than the name implies, including resources for language study. Access: http://www.public.iastate.edu/~flng_info/Classics/resources.html.

Specialized Web sites

- **Ancient Medicine/Medicina Antiqua.** "A resource for the study of Greco-Roman medicine and medical thought" sponsored by the Episcopal Academy, this site contains bibliographies, links to articles and reviews, announcements, and hypertext versions of ancient medi-

Fred W. Jenkins is coordinator and head of collection management and Nancy Courtney is reference librarian at the University of Dayton; e-mail: jenkins@data.lib.udayton.edu; courtney@data.lib.udayton.edu

- De Imperatoribus Romanis. This is an online encyclopedia on the Roman emperors, consisting of fairly short, peer-reviewed articles, each including an image of the emperor and a brief bibliography. Access is through alphabetical or chronological listings as well as genealogical charts of the imperial families. Construction of this site has just begun and many entries are not yet active. Access: http://www.salve.edu/~dimaiom/deimprom.html.

- Diotima: Materials for the Study of Women and Gender in the Ancient World. Includes course materials, announcements, bibliographies, links to book reviews, databases, online articles, and images. There are several search tools available. Access: www.uky.edu/ArtsSciences/Classics/gender.html.

- Duke Papyrus Archive. A project of the Special Collections Library at Duke University to provide “electronic access to texts about and images of 1,373 papyri from ancient Egypt.” There are search features available and the ability to browse by selected topics or by language. Access: http://odyssey.lib.duke.edu/papyrus/.

- NESTOR. This is a bibliography of Aegean prehistory and related areas from the University of Cincinnati. Currently, the years 1956–1995 are available online and can be searched using one of two Web-based forms. Access: http://ucaswww.mcm.uc.edu/classics/nestor/nestor.html.

- Papyrology Home Page. This page includes links to institutions with papyrology collections, images, reviews, and announcements of books on papyrology, and the table of contents and indices of Zeitschrift für Papyrologie und Epigraphik. Access: http://www-personal.umich.edu/~jmucci/papyrology/.

- Perseus Project. A multimedia database of text, images, and information on ancient Greece (eventually to include ancient Rome). Available commercially as a CD-ROM, the free Web site includes much of the CD content (although only about 14,000 of the CD’s 24,000 images). In some cases information is available on the Web site that is not yet on the CD. Perseus includes the complete works of 27 authors in Greek and English, images of art objects, sites, and buildings, an encyclopedia, and various search tools, including English and Greek word searches. Access: http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/.

- Thesaurus Linguae Graecae Home Page. This site contains information about the TLG, an electronic database of ancient Greek authors. It includes general information about the project, the text of the most recent TLG newsletter, lists of authors included in the current TLG CD, and, to be included in the new version, information on licensing the database and how to have a database search done without purchasing the CD. Access: http://www.uci.edu/~tlg/.

- TOCS-IN (Tables of Contents of Journals of Interest to Classicists). Tables of contents for more than 150 journals. A search function allows you to retrieve entries by keywords, including author, title, date, and journal abbreviation. Access: http://www.chass.utoronto.ca:8080/amphoras/tocs.html.

Associations
These sites generally include descriptions of the associations, membership information, and announcements of conferences and publications.


- Archaeological Institute of America. Primary American organiza-
/csaws.brynmawr.edu:443/aia.html.

scholar.cc.emory.edu/scripts/APA/APA-
MENU.html.

emory.edu/scripts/ASP/ASP-MENU.html.

- Classical Association of Canada. Major organization for classical studies in
Canada. Access: http://www.trentu.ca/fac-
ulty/cac/.

Directories
Web-based directories, capable of continu-
ous updating, are an ideal solution to the
problem of locating people on the move. Those
noted below include classicists in North
America, Europe, and Sub-Saharan Africa.

- Althistorische Institute der Bundes-
republik Deutschland. A directory of German
ancient historians arranged by institution.
html.

- CASA Directory of Classical Scholars
and Research for Higher Degrees at Uni-
versities in Sub-Saharan Africa. Arranged by
university, with a separate list of independent
classics/casadir/casadir.htm.

- Classical Studies in Canadian Univer-
sities. Quasi-official directory of the Classical
Association of Canada. Arranged by institution,
this site includes directory information for indi-
viduals and descriptions of departmental pro-
cacdir.html.

- Classicists in British Universities: An
E-Mail Directory. Alphabetical listing of Brit-
ish and Irish classicists; provides only e-mail
cl/ukemail.html.

- Directory of Ancient Historians in the
United States. Includes members of the Asso-
ciation of Ancient Historians; arranged by state
and institution. Access: http://ivory.trentu.ca/
www/cl/aahdir.html.

- E-Directory for the Classical Associa-
tion of the Middle West and South. Alphabetic
listing of members; provides institutional
affiliation and e-mail address (with direct link).
Access: http://falcon.cc.ukans.edu/~ophile/
camwsdir.htm.

- Home Pages of the Classicists. Direct
links to the homepages of a wide range of clas-
sicists. Access: http://aleph.lib.ohio-state.edu/
~bcase/hoipolloi.html.

- International Directory of Aegean
Prehistorians. Lists archaeologists and histo-
rians currently active in the field of Aegean pre-
history. May be downloaded. Access: http://
classics.lsa.umich.edu/IDAP.html.

- Scholars Press Consortium Mem-
bership Directory. Includes members of the
American Philological Association and Ameri-
can Society of Papyrologists. Searchable by
name, institution, and city or state. Access: http://
scholar.cc.emory.edu/cgi-bin/ph.pl.

Electronic journals
Classical scholars were among the first to es-

tablish electronic journals; some of those listed
below now have been published for several
years. Only full-text electronic journals are noted
here; print journals that only offer contents list-
ings online are omitted.

- Ancient History Bulletin. Short articles
and notes on all aspects of ancient history. Only
the more recent volumes are available in full

- Arachnion: A Journal of Ancient Lit-
erature and History on the Web. Scholarly
articles on classical literature and ancient his-
tory. Many are in various European languages,
although some are in English. Access: http://
www.cisi.unito.it/arachne/arachne.html.

- Bryn Mawr Classical Review. Timely,
scholarly reviews of books in all areas of clas-
sical studies. Subscribers receive reviews as
published; backfiles may be browsed by go-
cher. **Subscribe:** majordomo@BRYNMAWR.EDU. **Access:** gopher://gopher.lib.virginia.edu:70/11/alpha/bmcr.

- **Classics Ireland.** Articles on all aspects of classical studies, geared towards students and general readers. Appears in both print and electronic forms. **Access:** http://www.ucd.ie/~classics/ClassicsIreland.html.

- **Didaskalia: Ancient Theater Today.** Focuses on staging and performance of ancient theater both in ancient and modern times; includes reviews of current productions. **Access:** http://www.warwick.ac.uk/didaskalia/didaskalia.html.

- **Electronic Antiquity.** One of the earliest electronic journals in classics, it includes articles, reviews, and conference and position announcements. A regular column notes new electronic resources. Announcements of new issues, with tables of contents, are sent to those who send a subscription request to antiquity-editor@classics.utas.edu.au. **Access:** gopher://info.utas.edu.au/11/Publications/.

- **Scholia Reviews.** Reviews of scholarly books in classical studies. Subscribers receive reviews as they become available; backfiles are available on the Web. **Subscribe:** scholia@owl.und.ac.za. **Access:** http://www.und.ac.za/und/classics/elecrev.html.

### Electronic text repositories

A number of sites offer classical texts in either the original or English translation. Relatively few Greek texts are available (most through Perseus, which is noted above in Specialized Web Sites). The texts are mainly taken from older editions which are now in the public domain; their quality varies radically.

- **Alex: A Catalog of Electronic Texts on the Internet.** Includes a number of standard classical authors in English translation. Offers both browsing and search features. Maintenance of the site has been suspended for the present. **Access:** http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/staff/morgan/alex/alex-index.html.

- **CCAT Text Archives.** Provides a limited selection of classical and medieval texts in English translation. **Access:** gopher://ccat.sas.upenn.edu:70/11/Archive.

- **Internet Classics Archive.** Includes nearly 400 Greek and Roman works in English translation. Allows browsing by author. **Access:** http://classics.mit.edu.

- **Labyrinth.** This medieval studies site provides a small collection of Latin and medi­eval texts. Most are in English translation, some are in Latin, while a few are offered in both. **Access:** http://www.georgetown.edu/labyrinth/library/latin/latin-lib.html.

- **Oxford Text Archive.** One of the largest electronic text archives, OTA includes a large collection of classical texts in the original languages. While some can be downloaded directly, access to most is restricted to varying degrees. **Access:** http://users.ox.ac.uk/~archive/ota.html.

- **Project Libellus.** Texts of standard Latin authors available for downloading. **Access:** http://osman.classics.washington.edu/libellus/libellus.html.

### Discussion groups/lists

- **AEGEANET.** A group for discussion and news related to the Aegean Bronze Age. This list is archived by subject line and date of posting at http://www.umich.edu/~classics/archives/aegeanet/. **Subscribe:** majordomo@acpub.duke.edu.

- **AIA-L.** This is a discussion group operated by the Archaeological Institute of America that encompasses a broad range of archaeological issues as well as technical and computer questions. **Subscribe:** majordomo@brynmawr.edu.

- **ANAHITA.** A listserv focused on women and gender in the ancient world. **Subscribe:** listserv@lsv.uky.edu.

- **ANCIEN-L.** Devoted to the ancient history of the Mediterranean area; discussion extends to ancient Near Eastern civilizations as well as the classical period. **Subscribe:** listserv@listserv.louisville.edu.

- **ARCH-L.** A large and very active list for discussion of a wide range of archaeological topics. **Subscribe:** listserv@tamvm1.tamu.edu.

- **B-GREEK.** Discussion of New Testament Greek; requires working knowledge of Greek. **Subscribe:** majordomo@virginia.edu.

- **CLASSICS.** The largest and most comprehensive discussion group for classical studies; covers all aspects of the field. List archives are available at http://weber.u.washington.edu/~lwright/classic.html. **Subscribe:** listproc@u.washington.edu.

- **ELENCHUS.** Focuses on early Christian literature (ca. A.D. 100–500). **Subscribe:** listserv@listserv.uottawa.ca.

- **GREEKARCH.** Discussion of the archae­ology of the ancient Greek world. Archives are available at http://www.umich.edu/~classics/
archives/greekarch/. Subscribe: majordomo@rome.classics.lsa.umich.edu.

- **GROMARCH.** A joint subscription to both GREEKARCH and ROMARCH. Subscribe: majordomo@rome.classics.lsa.umich.edu.

- **HOMER-L.** Discussion of Homeric poetry. Subscribe: listproc@lists.missouri.edu.

- **IOUDAIOIS-L.** Covers Judaism in the Greco-Roman world. Subscribe: listserv@lehigh.edu.

- **LATIN-L.** While this list is meant to cover all aspects of Latin and Neolatin studies, in practice it tends to focus on teaching Latin at the high school level. Subscribe: listserv@psuv.m.sc.edu.

- **LEXI.** Covers Greek and Latin lexicography. Subscribe: listserv@uci.edu.

- **LT-ANTIQ.** Focuses on the Mediterranean and Middle East in the late antique period (ca. A.D. 260–640). Subscribe: listserv@vm.sc.edu.

- **MEDTXTL.** Although populated mainly by medievalists, this list often covers areas important for classical studies such as palaeography and codicology. Subscribe: listserv@postoffice.cso.uiuc.edu.

- **LEXI.** Covers Greek and Latin lexicography. Subscribe: listserv@uci.edu.

- **NUMISM-L.** Devoted to the study of ancient and medieval coins. Subscribe: listserv@vm.scm.edu.

- **PAPY.** Forum for the study of papyrology; postings are often technical in nature. Subscribe: listserv@igl.ku.dk

- **PERSEUS.** Discussion group for users of the Perseus database. Subscribe: listserv@brownvm.brown.edu.

- **ROMARCH.** Discussion of the art and archaeology of the Roman Republic and Empire, including ancient Italy and the Roman provinces. Archives are available at http://www.umich.edu/~classics/archives/romarch/. There is also a ROMARCH homepage at http://www-personal.umich.edu/~pfoss/ROMARCH.html. Subscribe: majordomo@rome.classics.lsa.umich.edu.

- **SOPHIA.** A discussion list devoted to ancient philosophy. Subscribe: listproc@liverpool.ac.uk.

- **TALAROS.** A very low traffic list concerning Hellenistic Greek history and literature. Subscribe: listproc@piranha.acns.nwu.edu.

- **THUC-L.** Discussion of Greek historian Thucydides. Subscribe: listserv@vm.temple.edu.