Timeline for Classics theses (Colorado College):

By the end of block 7 in junior year, the fall thesis advisor will schedule a mandatory meeting to discuss a potential topic. The advisor will also review the thesis assessment-rubric. You will work with the advisor to determine the two blocks in which you will sign up for thesis (CL 431) the following year.

Friday of Week 1 in block 8 of junior year, you will spend around five minutes formally presenting a tentative thesis topic at the Classics senior thesis presentations.

Over the summer it is strongly encouraged that you begin doing research.

In fall of senior year, you should sign up for the CL 303/313 language adjunct, where you will work with the Classics CPC on translations for your thesis.

By the end of the first week of your first thesis block, you need to have scheduled and attended a session with Kayla Lenkner, Tutt's Classics librarian, on research methodology. We recommend getting a head start on this in block 8 of junior year.

First thesis block (to be taken in fall of senior year): submit to the fall thesis advisor,

- By the end of week 1, an outline for the thesis as a whole.
- By the end of week 2, an annotated bibliography of at least four articles or chapters directly relevant to your project.
- By the end of the block, a rough draft of the whole thesis or a final draft of at least one significant section (10+ pages); follow the thesis advisor's preference.

Second thesis block (to be taken by block 6 of senior year):

- By the end of week 2, submit an initial final draft to the thesis advisor for comments.
- By the end of the block, submit a revised final draft to all department faculty for their comments.¹

Friday of Week 1 in Block 8: give a 20-minute presentation about your thesis to Classics faculty, Classics students, and other interested parties.

Grading: After your first thesis block, the thesis advisor will assign a grade for the quality and consistency of your work in that block. In the week following thesis presentations, a final grade for the whole thesis will be assigned by the department as per its assessment rubric. This will appear as the grade for your second thesis block.

¹ As you receive feedback from faculty during block 7, you should perform minor revisions of your thesis to address any concerns.