



## Carthaginian Stater, Carthage

### Date

410 B.C.E. - 310 B.C.E.

### Medium

Bronze

### Description

Carthage was an ancient Phoenician city and the capital of the Carthaginian Empire. It was located on the northern coast of Africa in what is present-day Tunisia. On its obverse, this Carthaginian coin depicts the goddess Tanit, the chief deity of Carthage, wearing a wreath in her hair and facing left. Its reverse depicts a horse's head, facing right. This coin is a part of the Paine Coin Collection. This teaching collection of 32 Greek and Roman coins was formed by John Alsop Paine (1840 – 1912), Class of 1859, who was an archaeologist with the Palestine Exploration Society and a Curator in the Department of Casts at the Metropolitan

Museum of Art from 1889 until 1906. The collection came to the college through John Alsop Paine's grandson, Nathaniel Emmons Paine (1853 – 1948), Class of 1874.

### Dimensions

Diameter: 13/16 in. (2 cm)