

CLAS 1010, Roman Culture
Spring 2009
T/R 9:30-10:30 or by appt.
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Contact Information:

Office Hours: T/R 9:30-10:30 or by appt.
Website: We will share a WebCT site. You may post discussion questions and use its email features.

Texts:

Any trans., Aeneid of Vergil.
St. Augustine, Confessions
Apuleius, Golden Ass
Scarre, Chris. Penguin Historical Atlas of Ancient Rome.
Jones and Sidwell, The World of Rome.
Graves, R. Suetonius: The Twelve Caesars.

Research on the Web:

If you have any questions and you search for information on the internet, be advised that not all websites are created equal. For one uninformed in an area, it can be difficult to discriminate between scholarly websites and ones that are non-academic, and potentially unreliable. In general, websites that end in "edu" tend to be scholarly. If you happen to find a particularly fabulous site, email a link to me and I may even showcase it on our WebCT site. In such an event, you would gain class-wide κλεος, for the website will be referenced in your honor. The library is still the best place to search for information, especially if you are interested in gaining more in depth knowledge on a subject.

Policies and Procedures:

Excessive absences result in being dropped from the class. After the midpoint, this results in a WF. There exists no distinction between "excused" and "inexcused." Should you fall victim to a catastrophe, please let me know as soon as possible.

Academic Honesty:

Information about the "UGA Academic Honesty Policy" can be found at the web site of the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost: www.uga.edu/vpaa. As a UGA student, you are required to be aware of and abide by this policy.

Classroom Etiquette:

- Please turn off all cell phones for the duration of class
- Learn the names of other students as soon as possible.
- Arrive to class on time, in order to cut down on distractions for the instructor and other students. A tardy counts as one half an absence.

Homework:

You will be required to have completed all readings and assignments the day they are due. The assignments found on the reading schedules are listed on their due dates, not the dates they are assigned. If you have any questions concerning any assignment please feel free to ask me for clarification.

WebCT site:

To email me or another person on the WebCT site, go to:
Communication Tools

[Mail](#)

[Compose Mail Message](#)

If you need the email address of an individual, click on the "Browse" button to the right of the address bar.

How to Read, for This Class:

Do not expect to understand on the first reading. Read, write comments in the margins of the books. Use the books, bend their spines, write all over them. Write questions on a separate sheet of paper. Bring the questions and defaced texts to class.

Grading Scheme:

- Homework, Participation, Quizzes 25%
- Research Paper 25%
- Hour Test 25%
- Final Examination 25%

**THE COURSE SYLLABUS IS A GENERAL PLAN FOR THE COURSE;
DEVIATIONS ANNOUNCED TO THE CLASS BY THE INSTRUCTOR
MAY BE NECESSARY.**

Preliminary Reading Schedules

Week One

January 8: Introduction to the Course

Week Two

January 13: Introduction to Rome
Read Jones and Sidwell, 1-48
Read Aeneid, Postscript, Book 1

January 15: Lecture: Rome Before the Romans:
Kurgans, Villanovans and Etruscans
Read Scarre, 8-25; Jones and Sidwell, 208-261
Aeneid, Books 2-4

Week Three

January 20: Aeneid, Books, 5-7
January 22: Aeneid, Books 8-10

Week Four

January 27: Aeneid, Books 11-12
January 29: Aeneid, final discussion

Week Five

February 3: Aeneid Quiz
February 5: Roman Monarchy

Week Six

February 10: Roman Republic
February 12: Roman Republic

Week Seven

February 17: Roman Empire
February 19: Research Projects

Week Eight

February 24: Suetonius

February 26: Suetonius

Week Nine

March 3: Suetonius

March 5: NO CLASS

Week Ten SPRING BREAK!

Week Eleven

March 17: Apuleius/Roman Africa

March 19: Apuleius

Week Twelve

IMPORTANT DATE: March 24, Midpoint withdrawal deadline

March 24: Apuleius

March 26: Roman Religion

Week Thirteen

March 31 Roman Religion

April 2: Presentations

April 4: Presentations

Week Fourteen

April 7: Presentations

April 9: Augustine

Week Fifteen

April 14: Augustine

April 16: Augustine

Week Sixteen

April 21: Presentations

April 23: Presentations

Week Seventeen

April 26: Review

April 30: NO CLASS (Friday schedule)

FINAL EXAM: Tue, May 5, 2009

8:00 - 11:00 am