## GREEK AND ROMAN STUDIES 209: INTRODUCTION TO GREEK AND ROMAN MYTHOLOGY

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**OFFICE HOURS:** By Appointment

**CLASS TIME AND ROOM:** Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:00-11:50 p.m. ST 135

**REQUIRED TEXTS:** Translations of all texts will be provided. Students are encouraged to use any mythology textbook for reference purposes.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS				
Component	Due Date	Weight (% of Final Grade)		
1 <sup>st</sup> Essay (approx. 1000 words). This essay must be chosen from the first four topics.	To be submitted the class after reading break – Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June.	30%		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Essay (approx. 1500 words).  This essay must be chosen from the last four topics.	To be submitted in the final class	30%		
Midterm. The exam will consist of multiple choice questions concerning the first nine lectures	Monday June 4 <sup>th</sup> IN CLASS	20%		
<b>Final.</b> The exam will consist of multiple choice questions concerning the final six of the lectures	Wednesday June 20 <sup>th</sup> IN CLASS	10%		
Participation. Marks will be assessed on answering questions in class on the primary sources		10%		

GRADING SCALE				
A+	95 – 100%	C+	67 – 69%	
A	90 – 94%	С	63 – 66%	
A-	85 - 89%	C-	60 - 62%	
B+	80 – 84%	D+	55 – 59%	
В	75 – 79%	D	50 – 54%	
B-	70 – 74%	F	below 50%	

## **COURSE SCHEDULE**

Wed May 9 Introduction to Mythology. Using primary sources in an essay: Apollodorus

Fri May 11 Mythological Beginnings: Hesiod's *Theogony* 

Mon May 14 Male Gods in Myth

Wed May 16 Male Gods in Myth Continued

Fri May 18 Female Gods in Myth

Mon May 21 NO LECTURE Victoria Day – University CLOSED

Wed May 23 The Heroic Personality: Perseus & Herakles

Fri May 25 The Heroic Personality: Theseus

Mon May 28 Homeric heroes and the Trojan War: Homer's The Iliad

Wed May 30 The Trojan War continued: The house of Atreus & Aeschylus' Orestaia

Fri June 1 Reading Break NO CLASS

Mon June 4 **MIDTERM** 

Wed June 6 Hero vs. Monsters & Women in myth: Homer's *The Odyssey* 

Fri June 8 Myth in drama: Euripides' *Medea* 

Mon June 11 Myth in drama: Sophocles' Oedipus Tyrannus

Wed June 14 Foundation myths: Virgil's Aeneid

- Fri June 16 Death: Greek and Roman afterlives Orpheus & Aeneas
- Mon Aug 19 Nature Myths: Ovid's *Metamorphoses* & Myth and history: Hesiod, Homer and Virgil

Wed June 20 FINAL

## BE AWARE THE LECTURE PROGRAM MAY CHANGE DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS

## **NOTES**

- 1. Please note the following dates for Spring Session 2012:
  - Last day to register, add courses or change registration status is Monday, May 14, 2012.
  - No fee refunds after Monday, May 14, 2012.
  - Last day to withdraw from this course is Friday, June 22, 2012.
  - Spring Term Final Examination Period: June 25 27, 2012.
- 2. Students should observe the regulations on "Student Misconduct" (plagarism, cheating, etc.) which are found in the on-line version of the 2010-2011 *University of Calgary Calendar* (<a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2.html">http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2.html</a>). If you need guidance about these issues, please do not hesitate to contact me.
- 3. Disabilities. It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. For more information visit the Disability Resource Centre's website <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/drc">http://www.ucalgary.ca/drc</a>. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.