

**UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS AND RELIGION**

COURSE OUTLINE – Summer 2020

Course: GRST 209 L01 Classical Mythology and Literature

Time: Online – **Scheduled class times noted below**

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Required text(s): Morford, Lenardon, and Sham. *Classical Mythology*, 11th edition. Oxford University Press, 2018.

The 11th edition of the textbook is available for e-book rental through the University Bookstore:

<https://calgary-store.vitalsource.com/products/classical-mythology-mark-morford-robert-j-v9780190067243>

The Bookstore can also mail out a physical copy.

Course description: GRST 209 is an introduction to Greek and Roman myths, as presented in classical literature and art, and their cultural context.

Online elements for this course:

This course will be delivered and assessed entirely online. Course content will be uploaded to Desire2Learn and it's the student's responsibility to check D2L regularly for materials and notifications added throughout the semester. There will be three live Zoom classes during the semester (10-11 am): July 30, July 21, August 11.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students should be able to:

- define what a myth is, explain the three types of myths, and provide examples;
- recall the characters, plots, and places of the major Classical myths covered in the course;
- identify the standard iconography of the major Classical gods, goddesses, heroes, etc.;
- analyze the ancient cultural or historical context of myths and interpret myths for common themes and motifs;
- apply various theories and approaches to the study of myth;
- identify and analyze uses of Classical myth in the modern world.

Course Requirements:

Date	Assessment	Weight (%)	Required pass/fail
July 5-6; 12-13; 19-20; 26-27; August 2-3; 9-10	Quizzes (6)	40%	No
July 3rd (post) & 5th (reply)	Introduction DB	5%	No
July 10 & 12; 24 & 26; August 7 & 9	Discussion Boards (3)	40%	No
August 11th – 12th	Open Book Exam	15%	No

No Registrars' Office scheduled final exam

Grading:

A numerical mark will be given for each course requirement. A letter grade will be assigned on the following number and letter grade scheme, usually used within the Department of Classics and Religion:

A+	100 – 96%	A	95 – 90%	A-	89 – 85%
B+	84 – 80%	B	79 – 75%	B-	74 – 70%
C+	69 – 65%	C	64 – 60%	C-	59 – 55%
D+	54 – 53%	D	52 – 50%	F	Under 50%

N.B. All written assignments will be graded with regard to both form and content.

Policy with regards to missed assignments/assessments: Circumstances leading to missed quizzes and requests for extensions will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Accommodations for foreseeable events should be requested well in advance. In the case of an unexpected event (e.g., illness), you should contact me as soon as possible! Please note: no “bonus” assignments are available.

Expectations for student conduct in this course: Everyone is entitled to a positive, comfortable, and productive learning environment and both students and the instructor have a responsibility to create it. Therefore, we are all expected to:

- be courteous and respectful towards all members of the class in all interactions (in discussion boards, email & Zoom);
 - reply to emails promptly (especially when the subject matter is time sensitive) and keep virtual appointments;
 - respect the Academic Integrity policy of the University of Calgary (see page 5);
- notify the appropriate individuals as soon as possible if things need alteration – that is, I will email you ASAP if anything with the course changes and you will email me ASAP if you can't meet a deadline and need an extension.

Syllabus:

A complete syllabus will be made available the first week of class.

Academic Honesty:

Plagiarism is not tolerated at the University of Calgary and has serious consequences. Your essays/presentations must be your own work and inadequate referencing may be seen as plagiarism. Please see the relevant sections on Academic Misconduct in the current University Calendar (section K, which can be found here: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>). If you have questions about correct referencing, please consult your instructor, or librarian staff.

Copyright Regulations:

Students are expected to familiarize themselves with the [Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright Policy](#) and understand their copyright responsibilities. Instructor created content (lecture presentations, assignments, exams, etc.) have been designed for use as part of this course at the University of Calgary and are the property of the instructor unless otherwise stated. Third party copyrighted materials (such as book chapters and articles) have either been licensed for use in

this course or fall under an exception or limitation in Canadian Copyright law. Copyright-protected materials may only be copied or distributed provided it is permissible to do so under [Canadian Copyright law](#), university agreements and permission from the copyright holder. Find out more about copyright at library.ucalgary.ca/copyright.

Student Accommodations:

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/

Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.

The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.pdf.

Desire 2 Learn (D2L) Help:

Go to <http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/desire2learn/home/students> for Student Help and FAQ's about D2L. Troubleshooting tips and a tutorial are also available on this website.

Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources:

- For program planning and advice, students in the Faculty of Arts will contact The Arts Students' Centre (ASC). Drop in at SS102, call at 403-220-3580 or email at ascarts@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <https://arts.ucalgary.ca> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Block.

Freedom of Information and Privacy:

This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP): https://www.ucalgary.ca/hr/freedom_of_information_and_protection_of_privacy

The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act indicates that assignments given by you to your course instructor will remain confidential unless otherwise stated before submission. The assignment cannot be returned to anyone else without your express permission. Similarly, any information about yourself that you share with your course instructor will not be given to anyone else without your permission. As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page

Student Ombudsperson and Students' Union Representative:

The Student Ombuds Office provides independent, impartial and confidential support for students who require assistance and advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. See <https://www.ucalgary.ca/ombuds/> for more information. The Students' Union Faculty of Arts representative can be reached at arts1@su.ucalgary.ca.

Emergency Evacuation Assembly Point:

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints. Please check this website and not the nearest assembly point for this course.

Safewalk:

The Safewalk program provides volunteers to walk students safely to their destination anywhere on campus (including McMahon Stadium, Health Sciences, Student Family Housing, the Alberta Children's Hospital and the University LRT station). This service is free and available to students, staff and campus visitors 24 hours per day, 365 days a year. Call 403-220-5333 or use one of the Help phones located throughout campus to request a walk.

Health and Wellness:

There are services available to students to help with physical and mental health, including the SU Wellness Centre: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/>

Learn more about the Campus Mental Health Strategy here: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/>