CLCV/HIST 2905 (Winter Term 2022): History of Ancient Rome II The College of the Humanities, Greek and Roman Studies Program Dr. Jaclyn Neel

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Office hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-2 PM on Zoom, or by appointment

Calendar description: The history of ancient Rome from the end of the Republic to the coming of Islam. Prerequisite(s): second-year standing or permission of the unit.

Course delivery: Online, asynchronous. Please see description below, under "Course-Specific Policies" → "Technology"

Grade Breakdown:

- Weekly reading quizzes 26% each (i.e., 2% per week) available on Brightspace
- Weekly group discussions 30% (3% per week, with lowest grade dropped) please note that this assignment **assumes** you have viewed the video lectures
- Trade Route assignment: 44%, comprising three parts
 - o Primary source analysis: 12%, due Feb. 7 at midnight Eastern time
 - o Annotated bibliography: 12%, due March 7 at midnight Eastern time
 - o Final submission: 20%, due Apr. 4 at midnight Eastern time

These assignments are described in more detail later in the syllabus, beginning on p. 3.

Required Textbook:

R. Mathisen, Ancient Roman Civilization: History and Sources. 753 BCE to 640 CE. Oxford University Press, 2019. (Available as an ebook or hard copy)

Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students will have

- 1) Become broadly familiar with the history of Rome from c. 31 BCE to c. 640 CE;
- 2) Understood and applied at least one historical method used in ancient history;
- 3) Understood and taken a position on major disputes in Roman history;
- 4) Engaged critically with modern scholarship on Roman history;
- 5) Improved their writing.

A final grade of 'A' in this course recognizes that you have achieved all 5 learning outcomes at a high level. Please see "Explanations of Assignments" to understand how the course assignments help you fulfill these learning outcomes.

Course-Specific Policies:

Missed Assignments, Late Assignments, and Extensions

Students are expected to keep up with the course schedule, which runs **Monday to Sunday** of each week. Deadlines are clearly marked in Brightspace and points will be deducted from late work at the rate of 2% per day. A **history lab** that is more than 10 calendar days late will not be accepted. An **observation** that is more than 3 calendar

days late will not be accepted. **Reading quizzes** may be submitted at any point during the semester.

Extensions will be granted on any assignment, no questions asked, provided that you ask at least 48 hours in advance of the deadline. Within 48 hours, extensions will be granted at the discretion of the instructor, subject to documented hardship or illness. There is no limit on the number of extensions you receive.

Technology

This class depends heavily on Brightspace. It is an online course with a large number of required asynchronous activities. You are responsible for being aware of updates that are posted to Brightspace, particularly "Announcements". I understand that Brightspace sends out many emails, and I would recommend checking "Announcements" on the course home page once a week to make sure that you don't miss important information. Although high-speed internet access is recommended for watching video lectures, many of the assigned activities can be completed with minimal internet and a word processor. All assignments are posted to Brightspace, and all work should be submitted through Brightspace. Please familiarize yourself with the assignment submission process, as assignments are only considered on time if they are submitted to Brightspace by the deadline.

Please note that **all class materials are protected by copyright**. These materials are for your own educational use. You **are not permitted to publish** to third party sites, such as social media sites and course materials sites.

Communication

<u>With the professor</u>: Since this course is being conducted online and asynchronously, email is your primary way to contact me. I make an effort to reply to all course-related emails within 24 hours, including on weekends. Please ensure that you **use your**Carleton.ca email address and email only once within a 24-hour period. If it has been more than 24 hours and you have not received a reply, you should definitely email again; I will not purposefully ignore you!

If you need <u>technological assistance</u>, I am not the best resource. Please <u>contact Carleton</u> ITS or use the "Help" feature on Brightspace.

<u>With peers</u>: You will spend the semester working with a small group of peers on written assignments. It is notoriously difficult to understand tone from writing, so please take the time to compose these messages carefully: avoid language that is demeaning towards any of your peers or a particular subgroup, focus disagreement on arguments instead of people, consider whether sarcasm or irony is necessary, and (for discussion boards in particular) feel free to use emoji to clarify your meaning or tone. (But please avoid informal language and emoji in submitted assignments; these should be written in formal language). Carleton has a page of tips for students that you may find helpful: Online Discussion Tips for Students.

Even though our classroom is online, it is still a place where mutual respect should dominate. I take classroom behavior seriously: if I notice anyone routinely flouting these guidelines, that person may be barred from posting for a period or for the rest of the semester, with the accompanying loss of points. That being said, disagreement and

debate are crucial to historical understanding, and I will not step in to referee respectful arguments.

Please note: I will monitor discussion boards, but I probably will not see any problematic posts as soon as they come up. If you read something concerning, please feel free to email me to draw my attention to it as quickly as possible.

Writing evaluation

Assignment will have few or no typographical errors, misuses of grammar or punctuation, or incorrect choices of words. Please take care when checking over your assignment. Mistakes in written communication will lead to losses of up to 10% of your assignment grade. Many students find the Writing Services at the Centre for Student Academic Support to be a useful resource. (Side note: services such as Grammarly, while useful, are not always correct; it's useful to cross-check their suggestions with other writing aids, such as the Online Writing Lab).

Weekly observations will be graded solely on content, not grammar or spelling. BUT please be careful: if I can't understand you, I can't grade the content! I do expect that you will cite your sources in all written work for this class. Author/page citation is sufficient for textbook material (example: Mathisen p. 122); title/time citation is sufficient for the lectures (example: "Augustan Succession" 5:03). Please cite any information that you got from an external source with indications of the author, date, and page(s) on which you found the information, and append a full bibliographic entry at the end.

Explanation of Assignments:

<u>Reading quizzes:</u> Weekly lectures assume that you are familiar with the basic outline of historical events as laid out in the assigned textbook readings. The textbook will provide you with all of the factual knowledge that I expect you to gain about Roman history (and then some!). The reading quizzes cover ONLY material from Mathisen. All of them are available on Brightspace; you are welcome to complete them on your schedule. Completing all of the quizzes helps you meet learning outcome #1.

<u>Observations:</u> Every week you will be asked to write down something that caught your attention in the lecture. These are all due Thursdays at midnight. The observations may take the form of a question, a comment, or a comparison, and should be one short paragraph (3-5 sentences). The rubric for these assignments can be found at the end of the syllabus, and is also posted to Brightspace. Completing all of these assignments helps you meet learning outcomes #2 and #3.

<u>Trade Route Assignment</u>: This 1800- to 3000- word research project helps you meet Learning Outcomes #2 through 5. You can choose to complete it as a **Group Project** or as an **Individual Project**. There is an equivalent amount of work to do in each type of project.

→ If you are working collaboratively, you should analyze a trade route of 3-4 cities/nodes (so you are tracing a product from place A to place B to place C, and potentially back to place A). This will require a primary source analysis for each leg and an annotated bibliography for each leg, but only one written analysis at the higher word count (so closer to 3000 words than 2000). You must use and turn in

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- either a Google doc or a Word document with "Track Changes" on so that I can assess individual contributions to the final project. The final grade will be split 50/50 between individual work and the group's final project (so, of each 8% assignment, 4% of the grade would be a group grade shared by all members of the group and 4% of the grade would be an individual grade for each group member).
- → If you are working alone, you should analyze a trade route of two cities/nodes (so you are tracing a product from place A to place B). You will only need to complete one primary source analysis and one annotated bibliography, and I assume that your final written analysis will be at the shorter word count (closer to 1800 words).
- Details on each part of the assignment:
 - One primary source analysis see template on Brightspace for questions to answer; text options:
 - <u>List of Prices</u> in the time of Augustus (IG II³ 4.214)
 - <u>List of accounts</u> in the time of Claudius (PMich 2.123) scroll to the very bottom for translation, or use Find on Page to search for "Translation"
 - Real estate for rent in Pompeii (Shelton, As the Romans Did #73-74: on e-reserve at MacOdrum Library)
 - List of prices from the late second century (PNYU 2.28)
 - Diocletian's Maximum Price Edict (Mathisen Source 11.1)
 - One annotated bibliography (including 3 secondary [non-ancient] peerreviewed sources; not textbooks) – see template for questions to answer
 - I recommend searching via the library interface w/filters for "online";
 see video on Brightspace
 - One written analysis (1800-3000 words) making either a business case for or a historical analysis of trade patterns in antiquity
 - Use ORBIS to assess travel times and methods (your ORBIS results should be turned in with the assignment; see Brightspace for a video overview of the tool)
 - Use primary source documents to assess prices
 - Different groups will have different items/eras to analyze; you can compare notes with peers outside the group
 - The written structure of this document is up to you/your group

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Schedule of Assignments, Topics, and Readings:

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Week	Горіс	Readings	Due
1	Introduction	Mathisen: p. 209-221	Reading quiz 1
Jan. 10-16	Introducing Augustus		

2 Jan. 17-23	Tiberius, Jesus, and Caligula	Mathisen: p. 224- 226, 254-259, 272- 276	Observation 1 Reading quiz 2
3 Jan. 24-30	Claudius, Nero, Jews & Christians	Mathisen: 25-27, 30-32, 51-54, 260-264, 269-271, 277-286, 297-300, 324-25	Observation 2 Reading quiz 3
4 Jan. 31-Feb. 6	The Flavians and Pompeii	Mathisen: 264-269, sources 8.4, 8.5	Observation 3 Reading quiz 4
5 Feb. 7-13	High Empire 1	Mathisen: 301-305, 328-30, 338-342	Observation 4 Reading quiz 5 History Lab 1
6 Feb. 14-20	High Empire 2	Mathisen: 305-309, 318-319 Cobservation 5 Extra reading: Kyle Harper, The Fate of Rome p. 54-68 (on e-reserve)	
7 Feb. 21-27	Winter Break	Have fun!	
8 Feb. 28-March 6	The Severans and the 3 rd century crisis	Mathisen p. 343-51, sources 10.4, 10.5	Observation 6 Reading quiz 7
9 March 7-13	Introducing late antiquity Diocletian	Mathisen: 381-88, sources 11.1, 11.2, 11.3	Observation 7 Reading quiz 8 History Lab 2 ** Special lecture March 9 featuring
10 March 14-20	Constantine and Christianity	Mathisen: 389-94, source 11.4	Kyle Harper Observation 8 Reading quiz 9
11 March 21-27	From Julian the Apostate and frontier problems in the East	Mathisen: 415-33, source 12.1, 12.2	Observation 9 Reading quiz 10
12 March 28-April 3	The sack of Rome and the Byzantine empire	Mathisen: p. 459-73, sources 13.2, 13.3, 13.4	Observation 10 Reading quiz 11
13 April 4-10	Justinian and Theodora	Mathisen: 493-6, 508-9, 527-40, source 15.2, 15.3, 15.4 Extra reading: Kyle Harper, <i>The Fate of</i>	Observation 11 Reading quiz 12 History Lab 3

		Rome (on e-reserve) p. 196-8, 203-14, 223 (start at "when victims")-235, 244-45	
14	Transition to the	Mathisen p. 497-506,	Reading quiz 13
April 11-12	medieval world	540-541	

Rubric for observations:

Criterion	Excellent	Good	Marginal	Incomplete
Points	1.5	1	0.5	0
Basics	 At least one short paragraph (3-5 sentences) Turned in by Thursday at midnight 	 At least one short paragraph (3-5 sentences) Turned in by Thursday at midnight 	 Under 3 sentences, AND/OR Turned in after Thursday at midnight 	 Not turne d in, OR Not a seriou s attem pt at submi ssion
Comprehensi	 At least one reference to the readings or lecture, AND Response shows understanding of course content, AND Response indicates understanding of Roman historical events in 	 At least one reference to the readings or lecture, AND/OR Response shows understan ding of course content, AND/OR Response indicates understan ding of Roman historical 	At least one reference to the readings or lecture, OR Response shows understand ing of course content	• See above

	the long- term	events in the long- term		
Analysis	 Observation n raises point that cannot be found in readings or lectures Observation n goes beyond the personal or information al (see example) 	 Observation n raises point that cannot be found in readings or lectures Observation is primarily personal or informational (see example) 	Observation nraises point that can be found in readings and/or lectures	• See above

These assignments are marked out of 1, so a "Good" score is full credit. I expect most students will write Good responses most of the time. An Excellent is hard to achieve (but you get bonus marks!), and Marginal means that you should devote more effort to your post or get in touch with me for assistance.

Example "Good" responses (using material from early Augustan history, which we cover in Week 1):

- 1. I was surprised that Augustus took so long to consolidate power. When I think about regime change today, it is usually faster and more violent. I wonder if Augustus planned this gradual approach on purpose to ensure that it was successful or whether it was more accidental? Is it more admirable if he planned it?
- 2. I had always heard a lot of different stories about Cleopatra, so I thought it was interesting that they can all be in some ways "true". Following up on Prof. Neel's question, I am not sure how to understand the Horace poem. It seems like it could be read either way and maybe that is the point?

Example "Excellent" responses (using material from early Augustan history, which we cover in Week 1):

1. The question of Augustan succession seems to be the central failure of Augustus' reign. So many failures must have been frightening to the senate and other elites surrounding Augustus: they had to be worried not only about the instability of a leaderless state, but also they might back the wrong heir! In modern monarchies, the line to the throne is clearly laid out for this reason, and Augustus' approach seems less well planned than many of his other acts in creating the principate. The negotiations surrounding the first and second settlements, for example,

seem much more complex than the offhand choice of heirs, which was arguably just as important. Can this choice tell us something about Roman society?

2. I thought it was interesting that Prof. Neel said that the people were the losers in the transition to the Principate. When we look at revolutions in other times and places, the common people are often depicted as the winners (even if that's often not true in practice). What was Augustus' way of covering this major shift in power? Did he also have a way of depicting the common people as "winners", or was Rome different from other societies?



University Regulations for All College of the Humanities Courses

Academic Dates and Deadlines

<u>This schedule</u> contains the dates prescribed by the University Senate for academic activities. Dates relating to fee payment, cancellation of course selections, late charges, and other fees or charges will be published in the <u>Important Dates and Deadlines section</u> of the Registration Website.

Online Learning Resources

While online courses offer flexibility and convenience, they also present unique challenges that traditional face-to-face courses do not. On this page, you will find resources collected by Carleton Online to help you succeed in your online courses; Learning Strategies and Best Practices, Study Skills, Technology and Online Interaction and Engagement.

Copies of WrittenWork Submitted

Always retain for yourself a copy of all essays, term papers, written assignments or take-home tests submitted in your courses.

Academic Integrity Policy (updated June 2021)

Plagiarism is presenting, whether intentionally or not, the ideas, expression of ideas, or work of others as one's own.

Plagiarism includes reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else's published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one's own without proper citation or reference to the original source. Examples of sources from which the ideas, expressions of ideas or works of others may be drawn from include but are not limited to: books, articles, papers, literary compositions and phrases, performance compositions, chemical compounds, art works, laboratory reports, research results, calculations and the results of calculations, diagrams, constructions, computer reports, computer code/software, material on the internet and/or conversations.

Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to:

- any submission prepared in whole or in part, by someone else;
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, paraphrased material, algorithms,

formulae, scientific or mathematical concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;

- using another's data or research findings without appropriate acknowledgement;
- submitting a computer program developed in whole or in part by someone else, with or without modifications, as one's own; and
- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another's work and/or failing to use quotations marks.

Plagiarism is a serious offence that cannot be resolved directly by the course's instructor. The Associate Dean of the Faculty conducts a rigorous investigation, including an interview with the student, when an instructor suspects a piece of work has been plagiarized. Penalties are not trivial. They can include a final grade of "F" for the course.

Academic Integrity Policy

Academic Integrity Process

Academic Accommodation Policy

Carleton University is committed to providing access to the educational experience in order to promote academic accessibility for all individuals.

Academic accommodation refers to educational practices, systems and support mechanisms designed to accommodate diversity and difference. The purpose of accommodation is to enable students to perform the essential requirements of their academic programs. At no time does academic accommodation undermine or compromise the learning objectives that are established by the academic authorities of the University.

Addressing Human Rights Concerns

The University and all members of the University community share responsibility for ensuring that the University's educational, work and living environments are free from discrimination and harassment. Should you have concerns about harassment or discrimination relating to your age, ancestry, citizenship, colour, creed (religion), disability, ethnic origin, family status, gender expression, gender identity, marital status, place of origin, race, sex (including pregnancy), or sexual orientation, please contact the <u>Department of Equity and Inclusive Communities</u>.

Requests for Academic Accommodation

You may need special arrangements to meet your <u>academic obligations</u> during the term. For an accommodation request, the processes are as follows:

Religious Accommodation

Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, please review the <u>Student Guide to Academic Accommodation</u>.

Pregnancy Accommodation

Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of

class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. . For more details, please review the <u>Student Guide to Academic Accommodation</u>.

Survivors of Sexual Violence

As a community, Carleton University is committed to maintaining a positive learning, working and living environment where sexual violence will not be tolerated, and where survivors are supported through academic accommodations as per Carleton's Sexual Violence Policy. For more information about the services available at the university and to obtain information about sexual violence and/or support, visit the Equity and Inclusive Communities website.

Accommodation for Student Activities

Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. Reasonable accommodation must be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, see the <u>Senate Policy on Accommodation for Student Activities</u>).

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

If you have a documented disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) at 613-520-6608 or mmc@carleton.ca for a formal evaluation or contact your PMC coordinator to send your instructor your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term. You must also contact the PMC no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable). After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with your instructor as soon as possible to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. For more details, visit the Paul Menton Centre website.

Grading System at Carleton University

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor, subject to the approval of the faculty Dean. Standing in courses will be shown by alphabetical grades. The system of grades used, with corresponding grade points and the percentage conversion can be found here. Grade points indicated are for courses with 1.0 credit value. Where the course credit is greater or less than one credit, the grade points are adjusted proportionately.

Course Sharing Websites and Copyright

Classroom teaching and learning activities, including lectures, discussions, presentations, etc., by both instructors and students, are copy protected and remain the intellectual property of their respective author(s). All course materials, including PowerPoint presentations, outlines, and other materials, are also protected by copyright and remain the intellectual property of their respective author(s).

Students registered in the course may take notes and make copies of course materials for their own educational use only. Students are not permitted to reproduce or

distribute lecture notes and course materials publicly for commercial or noncommercial purposes without express written consent from the copyright holder(s). More information

Student Rights and Responsibilities at Carleton

Carleton University strives to provide a safe environment conducive to personal and intellectual growth, free of injustice and characterized by understanding respect, peace, trust, and fairness.

The <u>Student Rights and Responsibilities Policy</u> governs the non-academic behaviour of students. Carleton University is committed to building a campus that promotes personal growth through the establishment and promotion of transparent and fair academic and non-academic responsibilities.

Deferred Term Work

In some situations, students are unable to complete term work because of illness or other circumstances beyond their control, which forces them to delay submission of the work.

- 1. Students who claim illness, injury or other extraordinary circumstances beyond their control as a reason for missed term work are held responsible for immediately informing the instructor concerned and for making alternate arrangements with the instructor and in all cases this must occur no later than three (3) working days after the term work was due. The alternate arrangement must be made before the last day of classes in the term as published in the academic schedule. Normally, any deferred term work will be completed by the last day of term. In all cases, formative evaluations providing feedback to the student should be replaced with formative evaluations. In the event the altered due date must extend beyond the last day of classes in the term, the instructor will assign a grade of zero for the work not submitted and submit the student's earned grade accordingly; the instructor may submit a change of grade at a later date. Term work cannot be deferred by the Registrar.
- 2. In cases where a student is not able to complete term work due to illness or injury for a significant period of time/or long term, the instructor and/or student may elect to consult with the Registrar's Office (undergraduate courses) or Graduate Registrar (graduate courses) to determine appropriate action.
- 3. If a student is concerned the instructor did not respond to the request for academic accommodation or did not provide reasonable accommodation, the student should consult with the department/school/institute chair/director. If a mutually agreeable accommodation to complete course requirements prior to the course grade submission deadline cannot be achieved, the Associate Dean will become involved. If academic accommodation is not granted, and the student receives word **after** the academic withdrawal deadline, the student may submit a petition to the Registrar's Office (undergraduate courses)/Graduate Registrar (graduate courses) for a final grade of WDN (Withdrawn) in the course(s). If academic

- accommodation is not granted, and the student receives word **prior** to the academic withdrawal deadline, the student may elect to withdraw from the course(s).
- 4. Furthermore, if academic accommodation is granted, but the student is unable to complete the accommodation according to the terms set out by the instructor as a result of further illness, injury or extraordinary circumstances beyond their control, the student may submit a petition to the Registrar's Office (undergraduate courses)/Graduate Registrar (graduate courses). Please note, however, that the course instructor will be required to submit an earned final grade and further consideration will only be reviewed according to established precedents and deadlines. More information of deferred Term Work

Deferred Final Exams

Students who are unable to write a final examination because of a serious illness/emergency or other circumstances beyond their control may apply for accommodation. Normally, the accommodation for a missed final examination will be granting the student the opportunity to write a deferred examination. In specific cases when it is not possible to offer a deferred examination, and with the approval of the Dean, an alternate accommodation may be made.

The application for a deferral must:

- 1. be made in writing to the Registrar's Office no later than three working days after the original final examination or the due date of the take-home examination; and,
- 2. be fully supported by appropriate documentation and, in cases of illness, by a medical certificate dated no later than one working day after the examination, or by appropriate documents in other cases. Medical documents must specify the date of the onset of the illness, the (expected) date of recovery, and the extent to which the student was/is incapacitated during the time of the examination. The University's preferred medical form can be found at the Registrar's Office here.

More information on Final Exam Deferrals Registrar's Office "Defer an Exam" page

Financial vs. Academic Withdrawal

Make sure that you are aware of the separate deadlines for Financial and Academic withdrawal!

Making registration decisions in Carleton Central involves making a financial and academic commitment for the courses you choose, regardless of attendance. If you do not attend, you must withdraw in <u>Carleton Central</u> within the published deadlines to cancel your registration. A fee adjustment is dependent on registration being canceled within the published <u>fee deadlines</u> and dependent on your course load. A course dropped after the deadline for financial withdrawal will receive a grade of Withdrawn (WDN), which appears on your official transcript.

Even if you miss the deadline for financial withdrawal, you might decide to drop a course to avoid a failure or a poor grade showing up on your student record and bringing down your CGPA. It is your responsibility to drop the course via Carleton Central within the published <u>deadlines</u> (see Academic Withdrawal).

If you are considering withdrawing from a course, you may want to talk to an advisor first. Course withdrawal may affect your student status, as well as your eligibility for student funding, immigration status, residence accommodation and participation in varsity sports, etc. Additionally, remember that once you choose your courses, you must use the "Calculate amount to pay" button to determine the correct amount of fees to pay.

Carleton Central is your one-stop shop for registration activities. If you are interested in taking a course, make sure to complete your registration. Simply attending a course does not mean you are registered in it, nor is it grounds for petition or appeal.

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