The Ancient Near East is an amorphous collection of cultures, both Indo-European and Semitic which opposed and succeeded one another, but also combined with one another in multiple ways that still resonate in the Mid-East and eastern Mediterranean. The earliest of these civilizations are older than the Egyptian dynasties, and Egypt owes much of her development to Near Eastern innovations and culture. Eventually, the Romans and the Greeks made their presence felt in these regions and their awe and perplexity at the cultures is palpable. This course ends with the campaigns of Alexander who truly never understood what he conquered.

**Required Textbooks:**

**Grading and Evaluation Policies:**
Quiz 1 25%
Quiz 2 25%
Quiz 3 25%
Take home Final Exam 25%
All quizzes will be short answer/fill in blank
Quizzes will be set for 80 minutes
Quizzes are by unit
Final Exam covers last two weeks of class with some comprehensive essay questions
Students who require academic accommodation should consult the Academic Regulations.

⇒ ANY TEST OR THE FINAL EXAM CAN BE SUBSTITUTED WITH A TERM ESSAY. Due – FRIDAY 25 Nov
Suggested Class Outline:
8 Sept: Introduction
    Podany 1 - 15
    Mieroop 1 - 18

13-15 Sept: Rise of City-States: Uruk
    Podany 16 - 26
    Mieroop 19 - 43

20-22 Sept: Early Dynastic Period
    Podany 27 – 39
    Mieroop 44 - 66
    NOTE: I will be in Crete at a conference -- material will be posted

27-29 Sept: Akkad and Ur
    Podany 40 – 62
    Mieroop 67 - 89
    QUIZ 1 opens at end of class on Thursday 29 Sept

4-6 Oct: Assyrians
    Podani 63 - 73

11-13 Oct: Assyrians
    Mieroop 90 - 112

18-20 Oct: Assyrians
    Mieroop 190 - 95
    QUIZ 2 opens at end of class on Thursday 20 October

24-28 Oct: FALL BREAK

1-3 Nov: Babylonians
    Podany 74-86

8-10 Nov: Babylonians
    Mieroop 113 - 34

15-17 Nov: Babylonians
    Mieroop 183 - 89
    QUIZ 3 opens at end of class on Thursday 17 November

22-24 Nov: Hatua (Hittites and Troy; Mitanni)
    Podany 87-100
    Mieroop 159 - 81
    Friday 25 Nov Due Date Optional Substitution Term Essay
29 Nov – 1 Dec: Neo-Assyrian Empire, 972 BC – 612 BC
  Podany 100-11
  Mieroop 246 - 88

6-8 Dec: Neo-Babylonian Empire, 612 BC – 539 BC
  Podany 112 – 20
  Mieroop 289 - 307

FINAL EXAM: TAKE-HOME EXAM
  OPENS: Sunday, 11 Dec
  CLOSES (UNIVERSITY REGULATION) THURSDAY 22 DEC
REGULATIONS COMMON TO ALL HUMANITIES COURSES

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

PLAGIARISM
The University Senate defines plagiarism as “presenting, whether intentional or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.” This can include:

- 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;
- submitting a take-home examination, essay, laboratory report or other assignment written, in whole or in part, by someone else;
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, or paraphrased material, concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- using another’s data or research findings;
- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another’s works and/or failing to use quotation marks;
- handing in “substantially the same piece of work for academic credit more than once without prior written permission of the course instructor in which the submission occurs.”

Plagiarism is a serious offence which cannot be resolved directly with the course’s instructor. The Associate Deans of the Faculty conduct 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.

GRADING SYSTEM
Letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

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Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean.

WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT ACADEMIC PENALTY
The last date to withdraw from FALL TERM courses is DEC. 9, 2016. The last day to withdraw from FALL/WINTER (Full Term) and WINTER term courses is APRIL 7, 2017.

REQUESTS FOR ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION
You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term because of disability, pregnancy or religious obligations. Please review the course outline promptly and write to me 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. You can visit the Equity Services website to view the policies and to obtain more detailed information on academic accommodation at: carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/

Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must register with the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) for a formal evaluation of disability-related needs. Documented disabilities could include but not limited to mobility/physical impairments, specific Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/psychological disabilities, sensory disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), and chronic medical conditions. Registered PMC students are required to contact the PMC, 613-520-6608, every term to ensure that your Instructor receives your Letter of Accommodation, no later than two weeks before the first assignment is due or the first in-class test/midterm requiring accommodations. If you only require accommodations for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodations to PMC by Nov. 11, 2016 for the Fall term and March 10, 2017 for the Winter term. For more details visit the Equity Services website: carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/

PETITIONS TO DEFER
If you miss a final examination and/or fail to submit a FINAL assignment by the due date because of circumstances beyond your control, you may apply a deferral of examination/assignment.

If you are applying for a deferral due to illness you will be required to see a physician in order to confirm illness and obtain a medical certificate dated no later than one working day after the examination or assignment deadline. This supporting documentation must specify the date of onset of the illness, the degree of incapacitation, and the expected date of recovery.

If you are applying for a deferral for reasons other than personal illness, please contact the Registrar’s Office directly for information on other forms of documentation that we accept.

Deferrals of a final assignment or take home, in courses without a final exam, must be supported by confirmation of the assignment due date, for example a copy of the course outline specifying the due date and any documented extensions from the course instructor.

Deferral applications for examination or assignments must be submitted within 5 working days of the original final exam.

ADDRESSES: (Area Code 613)
- College of the Humanities 520-2809 300 Paterson
- Greek and Roman Studies Office 520-2809 300 Paterson
- Religion Office 520-2100 2A39 Paterson
- Registrar's Office 520-3500 300 Tory
- Student Academic & Career Development Services 520-7830 302 Tory
- Paul Menton Centre 520-6608/TTY 520-3937 501 Uni-Centre
- Writing Tutorial Service 520-6632 4th Floor Library
- Learning Support Service 520-2600 Ext 1125 4th Floor Library