Carleton University
Winter Term 2011

College of the Humanities
Greek and Roman Studies

CLCV3202/ Hist3101:  Roman Historiography

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Time of Course: Friday 11.35 a.m. – 2.25 p.m.

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The object of the course is to study the nature of Roman historiography through reading of three of the major historical works written in what is called the grand style. The three works are: Livy’s History from the Foundation of the City; Tacitus’ Annals; and Ammianus Marcellinus’ History. The English translations to be used (all published in the Penguin Classics series) are:

Livy, Early History of Rome, trans. A de Selincourt;

Tacitus, Annals of Imperial Rome, trans. Michael Grant;


The three historians deal with the three epochs of Roman history (Livy, the Republic; Tacitus, the Early Empire; Ammianus, the Later Empire). Livy is probably the most influential of all the Roman historians; Tacitus and Ammianus (along with the Greek Thucydides) are probably the best historians of antiquity.

The schedule for the course will be approximately as follows:

Week 1: the origin of western historiography and the Greek background;

2: the development of Roman historiography;

3: historiography in the grand style;

4-6: Livy

7-9: Tacitus;
10-12: Ammianus;

13: the legacy of Roman Historiography.

The final grade for the course will consist of two components: an essay worth 40%, the topics for which will be distributed in the fourth class (Jan. 28) and which will be due at the seventh class (Feb. 18); and a final examination worth 60%.
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- reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else’s published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one’s own without proper citation or reference to the original source;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. 6, 2010. The last day to withdraw from FALL/WINTER (Full Term) and WINTER term courses is APRIL 5, 2011.

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 the last official day to withdraw from classes in each term. For more details visit the PMC website: carleton.ca/pmc/accommodations/

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 assignments must be supported by confirmation of the Registrar’s Office directly for information on other forms of documentation that we accept.

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

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