CLCV 2009 / English 2009: Greek and Roman Literary Genres

Fall and Winter, 2008-2009

class time: Monday 10:35 – 12:25
location: Tory Building 340 (Fall), 342 (Winter)

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Course Description

After a brief introduction to the concept of genre, the course will examine ancient literary forms beginning with lyric. Most of the fall semester will focus on epic, particularly Homer’s *Iliad* and *Odyssey*, and Vergil’s *Aeneid*. Most of the winter semester will focus on drama, and we will conclude with an examination of minor genres such as epigram and pastoral. Throughout the course we will consider the historical and cultural context of what we are reading, and the importance of literary imitation in the evolution of genres.

Required Texts

Homer *Iliad*, R. Lattimore
Homer *Odyssey*, R. Lattimore
Vergil *Aeneid*, D. West
Greek Tragedies, vols. 1 and 3, D. Grene and R. Lattimore
Aristophanes *The Wasps, the Poet and the Women, The Frogs*, D. Barrett
*Plautus & Terence: Five Comedies*, D. Berg and D. Parker

Evaluation

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If a student misses a test due to illness, a doctor’s letter is necessary in order to write a make-up test. Class participation will include, for example, a hand-out, powerpoint, or dramatic reading.
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 “to use and pass off as one’s own idea or product the work of another without expressly giving credit to another.” This can include:

- Copying from another person’s work without indicating this through appropriate use of quotation marks and footnote citations.
- Lengthy and close paraphrasing of another person’s work (i.e. extensive copying interspersed with a few phrases or sentences of your own).
- Submitting written work produced by someone else as if it were your own work (e.g. another student’s term paper, a paper purchased from a term paper “factory”, materials or term papers downloaded from the Internet, etc.).
- Handing in “substantially the same piece of work to two or more courses without the prior written permission of the instructors involved.” (University Senate)

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 range from a mark of zero for the plagiarized work to a final grade of “F” for the course, and even suspension from all studies or expulsion from the University.

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

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<td>Failure: No academic credit</td>
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WDN Withdrawn from the course
ABS Absent from the final examination
DEF Official deferral (see “Petitions to Defer”)
FND “Failed, no Deferral” – assigned when the student is absent from the final exam and has failed the course on the basis of inadequate term work as specified in the course outline.

WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT ACADEMIC PENALTY
The last date to withdraw from Fall term courses is November 7th, 2008. Last day to withdraw from Fall/Winter (full year) and Winter term courses is March 6th, 2009.

REQUESTS FOR ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION
For Students with Disabilities
Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must register with the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities for a formal evaluation of disability-related needs. Registered PMC students are required to contact the centre, 613-520-6608, every term to ensure that I receive 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 require accommodation for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodation to PMC by November 7, 2008, for December examinations, and March 6, 2009, for April examinations.

For Religious Obligations:
Students requesting academic accommodation on the basis of religious obligation should make a formal, written request to their instructors for alternate dates and/or means of satisfying academic requirements. Such requests should be made during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist, but no later than two weeks before the compulsory event. Accommodation is to be worked out directly and on an individual basis between the student and the instructor(s) involved. Instructors will make accommodations in a way that avoids academic disadvantage to the student.

Students or instructors who have questions or want to confirm accommodation eligibility of a religious event or practice may refer to the Equity Services website for a list of holy days and Carleton’s Academic Accommodation policies, or may contact an Equity Services Advisor in the Equity Services Department for assistance. (613-520-5622)

For Pregnancy:
Pregnant students requiring academic accommodations are encouraged to contact an Equity Advisor in Equity Services to complete a letter of accommodation. The student must then make an appointment to discuss her needs with the instructor at least two weeks prior to the first academic event in which it is anticipated the accommodation will be required.

PETITIONS TO DEFER
Students unable to complete a final term paper or write a final examination because of illness or other circumstances beyond their control or whose performance on an examination has been impaired by such circumstances may apply in writing within five working days to the Registrar’s Office for permission to extend a term paper deadline or to write a deferred examination. The request must be fully and specifically supported by a medical certificate or other relevant documentation. Only deferral petitions submitted to the Registrar’s Office will be considered.

ADDRESSES
College of the Humanities 520-2809
Classics and Religion Office 520-2100
Registrar’s Office 520-3500
Student Academic Success Centre 520-7850
Paul Menton Centre 520-6608
Writing Tutorial Service 520-6632

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