

Spring 2020, MTWR 10:00-10:50

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Office Hours: TR 1:00-1:50 or by appointment. I have an open-door policy, but it's always best to let me know ahead of time if you intend to drop in.

Course Objective: The immediate goal of this course is to provide the student with a basic understanding of the Greek language through the study of its morphology and syntax, and through readings of Classical Greek texts. Completion of the course should allow students to proceed to the intermediate-level (GREK 33) and advanced reading of Greek literature (GREK 44). The ultimate goal of the course is to instill in students an appreciation of the significance of classical literature on the western tradition and in our own lives.

Course Plan: We will complete most of Shelmerdine's *Introduction To Greek*, focusing on morphology, syntax, and basic vocabulary. The course will follow a "flipped classroom" methodology whereby students will watch lecture videos and engage in memorization drills out of class, while in class we will work together on reading and review. As in any language course it is extremely important for students to maintain a disciplined regimen of daily study. Assessment will take the form of weekly take-home exams that cover all aspects of the course content.

Texts: Please obtain the following texts. Note in particular the specific edition required.

- Shelmerdine, C.W. *Introduction to Greek*, 2nd edition. Newburyport, MA: Focus Publishing, 2008.

Academic Responsibility: I take the issues of cheating and plagiarism seriously. Please familiarize yourself with Pomona's policies and procedures regarding appropriate and inappropriate academic behavior by consulting the following webpage:

http://catalog.pomona.edu/content.php?catoid=3&navoid=80#Academic_Standards

It is your responsibility to be aware of what constitutes academic misconduct, plagiarism, and other violations of academic honesty.

Academic Accommodations: Pomona College is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Requests for accommodations may be made by contacting the Dean of Students Office. It is up to the student to contact the professor to fulfill the accommodations. Requests received after this date will be honored whenever possible.

Grading: The following table gives a breakdown of grades in the class. For my views on grading, participation, and classroom etiquette, please consult the following:

<http://pages.pomona.edu/~cmc24747/policies.htm>.

Periodic Exams (10): 50%

Final Exam: 30%

Participation: 20%*

*The participation component is based on my impression of your preparedness. If I feel you are not prepared on more than one occasion, you will lose 2 percentage points for each subsequent instance of unpreparedness. Attendance is a necessary component of participation and is therefore mandatory. Your overall grade will be reduced by one-third of a letter grade for each unexcused absence. For an absence to be excused you must provide me with appropriate documentation within one day.

Schedule: The following schedule outlines the readings and assignments that we will attempt to cover this quarter. Use this schedule as a rough guide for general study and, if you like, for working ahead. S = Sections in Shelmerdine; E = Exercises in Shelmerdine.

Week 1

M Jan 20

NO CLASS

T Jan 21

Introduction to Classical Greek: language and literature

W Jan 22

Prepare: S 1.1-4; Ch 1 Video; Ch 1 Exercises

In class: E 1-3

R Jan 23

Prepare: S 1.5-6; Ch 1 Video; Ch 1 Exercises

In class: Accent Practice

Week 2

M Jan 27

Prepare: S 2.1-3; Ch 2 Video; Ch 2 Exercises

In class: E 4-6

T Jan 28

Prepare: S 2.4-5; Ch 2 Video; Ch 2 Exercises

In class: E 7-9

W Jan 29

Prepare: S 3.1-6; Ch 3 Video; Ch 3 Exercises

In class: E 10-13

R Jan 30

Prepare: S 3.7; Ch 3 Video; Ch 3 Exercises

In class: E 14-16

Week 3

M Feb 3

Prepare: S 4.1-3; Ch 4 Video; Ch 4 Exercises

In class: E 17

T Feb 4

Prepare: S 4.4-5; Ch 4 Video; Ch 4 Exercises

In class: E 18-20

W Feb 5

Prepare: S 5.1-3; Ch 5 Video; Ch 5 Exercises

In class: E 21-24

R Feb 6

Prepare: S 5.4-5; Ch 5 Video; Ch 5 Exercises

In class: E 25-27

EXAM 1 due Monday

Week 4

M Feb 10

Prepare: S 6; Ch 6 Video; Ch 6 Exercises

In class: E 28-29

T Feb 11

Prepare: S 7.1-3; Ch 7 Video; Ch 7 Exercises

In class: E 30

W Feb 12

Prepare: S 7.4-6; Ch 7 Video; Ch 7 Exercises
In class: E 31-32

R Feb 13

REVIEW

EXAM 2 Due Monday

Week 5

M Feb 17

Prepare: S 8.1-3; Ch 8 Video; Ch 8 Exercises
In class: E 33

T Feb 18

Prepare: S 8.4-5; Ch 8 Video; Ch 8 Exercises
In class: E 34-35

W Feb 19

Prepare: S 9.1-4; Ch 9 Video; Ch 9 Exercises
In class: E 36-37

R Feb 20

Prepare: S 9.5-6; Ch 9 Video; Ch 9 Exercises
In class: E 38-39

EXAM 3 Due Monday

Week 6

M Feb 24

Prepare: S 10; Ch 10 Video; Ch 10 Exercises
In class: E 40-41

T Feb 25

Prepare: S 11; Ch 11 Video; Ch 11 Exercises
In class: E 44-45; 47-48

W Feb 26

Prepare: S 12; Ch 12 Video; Ch 12 Exercises
In class: E 50-53

R Feb 27

REVIEW

EXAM 4 Due Monday

Week 7

M Mar 2

REVIEW

T Mar 3

REVIEW

W Mar 4

REVIEW

R Mar 5

REVIEW

Week 8

M Mar 9

Prepare: S 13; Ch 13 Video; Ch 13 Exercises
In class: E 54-57

T Mar 10

Prepare: S 14; Ch 14 Video; Ch 14 Exercises
In class: E 59-62

W Mar 11

Prepare: S 15; Ch 15 Video; Ch 15 Exercises
In class: 67, 70-71

R Mar 12

REVIEW

EXAM 5 Due Monday, 3/23

[SPRING BREAK MARCH 16-20]

Week 9

M Mar 23

Prepare: S 16; Ch 16 Video; Ch 16 Exercises
In class: E 72-73

T Mar 24

Prepare: S 17; Ch 17 Video; Ch 17 Exercises
In class: E 76, 78-79

W Mar 25

Prepare: S 18; Ch 18 Video; Ch 18 Exercises
In class: E 80, 83-84

R Mar 26

REVIEW

EXAM 6 Due Monday

Week 10

M Mar 30

Prepare: S 19; Ch 19 Video; Ch 19 Exercises
In class: E 86, 89, 92-93

T Mar 31

Prepare: S 20; Ch 20 Video; Ch 20 Exercises
In class: E 94, 96-97

W Apr 1

Prepare: S 21; Ch 21 Video; Ch 21 Exercises
In class: E 98, 100-101

R Apr 2

REVIEW

EXAM 7 Due Monday

Week 11

M Apr 6

Prepare: S 22; Ch 22 Video; Ch 22 Exercises
In class: E 102-103

T Apr 7

Prepare: S 23; Ch 23 Video; Ch 23 Exercises
In class: E 105, 107-108

W Apr 8

Prepare: S 24; Ch 24 Video; Ch 24 Exercises
In class: E 109, 111-112

R Apr 9

REVIEW

EXAM 8 Due Monday

Week 12

M Apr 13

REVIEW

T Apr 14

REVIEW

W Apr 15

REVIEW

R Apr 16

REVIEW

Week 13

M Apr 20

Prepare: S 25; Ch 25 Video; Ch 25 Exercises

In class: E 114-115

T Apr 21

Prepare: S 26; Ch 26 Video; Ch 26 Exercises

In class: E 117-118

W Apr 22

Prepare: S 27; Ch 27 Video; Ch 27 Exercises

In class: E 119, 121-122

R Apr 23

REVIEW

EXAM 9 Due Monday

Week 14

M Apr 2

Prepare: S 28; Ch 28 Video; Ch 28 Exercises

In class: E 123-125

T Apr 28

Prepare: S 29; Ch 29 Video; Ch 29 Exercises

In class: E 127, 129-130

W Apr 29

Prepare: S 30; Ch 30 Video; Ch 20 Exercises

In class: E 131-133

R Apr 30

REVIEW

EXAM 10 Due Monday

Week 15

M May 4

REVIEW

T May 5

REVIEW

W May 6

REVIEW

R May 7

NO CLASS

FINAL EXAM Monday, May 11, 9am-12pm

Reference Works: Here is a list of some reference texts to which Classical scholars frequently refer and which might prove useful to beginning students of Greek. If you intend to continue your Greek studies beyond the first year, you will doubtless encounter these books in some context or another.

- Bury, J. B. and Russell Meiggs. *A history of Greece to the death of Alexander the Great*, 3rd edition. New York: St. Martins Press, 1975.
- Denniston, J. D. *The Greek particles*, 2nd edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1954.
- Goodwin, William W. *An elementary Greek grammar*. Boston, MA: Ginn, 1882.
- Goodwin, William W. *Syntax of the moods and tenses of the Greek verb*, 5th edition. London: Methuen, 1912.
- Hornblower, Simon and Anthony Spawforth, editors. *The Oxford classical dictionary*, 3rd edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1996.
- Joint Association of Classical Teachers. *The world of Athens: an introduction to classical Athenian culture*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1984.
- Lesky, Albin. *A history of Greek literature*. Translated by James Willis and Cornelis de Heer. New York: Crowell, 1966.
- Liddell, H. G., R. Scott, and H. Stuart Jones. *A Greek-English lexicon*, 9th edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1940.
- Smyth, Herbert Weir. *Greek grammar*, revised by Gordon M. Messing. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1956.