

GREEK 306: Fourth Semester Greek

SPRING 2008

Meeting time: Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 1:00-1:50 p.m.

Meeting place: Curtin 804

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Texts

- ❖ M. Balme and G. Lawall, *Athenaze: An Introduction to Ancient Greek*, Book II (New York, 2003 – second edition) together with *Workbook II*
- ❖ J.A.C.T., *A Greek Anthology* (Cambridge, 2002)

Recommended (for the second part of the semester):

- H. W. Smyth, *Greek Grammar* (Cambridge, MA, 1956)
- H. G. Liddell and R. Scott, *Intermediate Greek-English Lexicon* (Oxford, 1889)

Course Objectives:

The initial part of the semester will be devoted to completing the second volume of *Athenaze*. Since our goal is to finish the grammar presented in the book, we will focus mainly on chapters 25 to 28 and we may not cover all the additional readings.

In the remaining part of the semester we will begin working with the book *A Greek Anthology* and you will be given the opportunity to apply what you have learned so far. The *Anthology* will introduce you to a selection of Greek texts and authors of different genres and periods and will allow you to increase your proficiency in Greek through reading, translating and analyzing passages of prose and poetry.

Attendance and Participation

Attendance is required and will be taken. You are expected to come regularly to classes, to be prepared for and participate actively in each course meeting. The attendance and participation component of the course final grade will depend both on your presence in class and on the quality of your participation. A maximum of four absences will be allowed; each absence in addition to this will result in a 0.5% reduction in the participation grade.

Assignments

Homework assignments will be given each day for the next class meeting. You are expected to complete the homework assignments before each class.

- For *Athenaze*, assignments will consist of the reading and comprehension of passages, translations and exercises on new vocabulary and grammar.

- For the *Anthology*, assignments will focus mainly on the reading and the translation of texts. You will be expected to analyze the grammatical forms and syntax of the passage, learn the new vocabulary, review difficult constructions and prepare your own translation at home. You will not be allowed to use a prepared written translation of the passage in class.

Quizzes

There will be short weekly quizzes in the course of the semester. For the quizzes, you may be asked to translate short passages and identify specific grammatical forms, syntactical constructions, and vocabulary. No make-ups are allowed (see Make-up Policy), but the lowest grade will be dropped.

Exams

There will be two midterm exams and a final exam. The mid-term exams will be 50 minutes long and will be given approximately during the fifth (Feb 18-21) and the tenth (March 31-April 1) weeks of classes respectively. The exact date will be announced at least two weeks in advance. The final exam will be at the time posted in the UWM Spring 2008 Final Examination Schedule: **Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m.-12 noon** in the usual classroom.

Grading

Attendance, Preparation and Participation 25%
Written assignment (first part of the semester only) 10%
Quizzes 20%
Exams 45% (15% each)

Exams and quizzes will be graded on a scale of **100 points**.

These will correspond to the following letter grades:

100-93 A, 92-90 A-, 89-87 B+, 86-83 B, 82-80 B-,
79-77 C+, 76-73 C, 72-70 C-, 69-67 D+, 66-63 D, 62-60 D-, below 60 F.

Make-up Policy

Quizzes and exams cannot be made up except under exceptional circumstances supported by documentation. If a special circumstance does exist, you must make prior arrangements. This policy applies only to quizzes and mid-term examinations. The final exam must be taken at the scheduled time.

University Policies

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