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English 2603
Policies and Procedures
Spring Fall 2010
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Texts:

Classical Mythology, 2nd ed, Harris and Platzner
Metamorphoses, Ovid
Odyssey, Homer
The Oresteia, Aeschylus

Goals of the Course:

The course is designed to acquaint students with the myths of the classical Greek and Roman periods and to introduce students to the ways of thinking embodied in myths. The course will also provide students with some basic backgrounds of the Greek and Roman periods, as well as provide experience in interpreting myth through various approaches. Students will demonstrate their achievements of these goals in written exams and quizzes.

Course Requirements and Determination of Course Grade

Hourly Exams (two @ 20% each)	40%
Quizzes	20%
Final Exam	30%
Attendance/Participation	10%

Attendance:

Attendance is expected for each class meeting. While points are not necessarily deducted for a given missed day, repeated absences do affect the Attendance/Participation segment of the course grade. In the case of compelling, documented reasons for absences, make-up work must be completed within one week of one's return to class. Unexcused absences do not allow one to make up work (e.g., quizzes or exams).

The Attendance/Participation grade is not a "gift grade." One does not begin with an *A* in this segment of the grade and have points deducted for absences or lack of preparation. Rather, students build the grade to an *A* by faithful attendance, by preparation for classes, and by involvement in class discussions. Simply being in class will not earn you an *A* for this segment. Answering questions, joining in discussions, and, especially, **asking** good questions will.

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Course Syllabus
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- Jan. 11 Introduction to the course
- 13 The Nature of Myth, *CM* 6-25
- 15 Interpreting Myth, *CM* 27-46
- 18 King's Birthday—No Classes
- 20 In the Beginning, *CM* 49-66; *M* 9-16
- 22 The Goddess, *CM* 84-96
- 25 Demeter, *CM* 101-08
- 27 Poseidon (Neptune), *CM* 126-27; *M* 67-73
- 29 Apollo, *CM* 158-64; *M* 28-33
- Feb. 1 Apollo, *CM* 164-71; *M* 239-43, 261-65
- 3 Dionysus (Bacchus), *CM* 184-92
- 5 Dionysus, *CM* 192-99; *M* 73-80, 90-99
- 8 Orpheus, *M* 234-37, 259-61
- 10 **EXAM I**
- 12 Lincoln' Birthday—No Classes
- 15 Artemis (Diana), *CM* 99-101; *M* 61-64,
- 17 Athena (Minerva), Hephaestus (Vulcan), *CM* 129-32, 137; *M* 129-43
- 19 Aphrodite (Venus), *CM* 137; *M* 251-58,
- 22 Ares, *CM* 138
- 24 Hermes (Mercury), *CM* 134-37; *M* 83-87
- 26 Hades (Pluto), The Underworld, *CM* 128, 205-20
- Mar. 1 The Hero, *CM* 228-32
- 3 Minos, Daedalus, *CM* 246-47; *M* 187-90

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	5	Heracles (Hercules), <i>CM</i> 237-45	
	8	Heracles, <i>M</i> 339-52	
	10	Perseus, <i>CM</i> 232-36; <i>M</i> 100-114	
	12	Oedipus, <i>CM</i> 610-21	
15-19		Spring Break—No Classes	
	22	Oedipus (cont.)	
	24	Jason, <i>CM</i> 249-53	
	26	Theseus, <i>CM</i> 245-49	
	29	EXAM II	
	31	The Trojan War, <i>CM</i> 255-58	
Apr.	2	<i>The Iliad</i> , <i>CM</i> 259-64	
	5	<i>The Iliad</i> , <i>CM</i> 264-71	
	7	<i>The Odyssey</i> , Books I-IV	
	9	<i>The Odyssey</i> , Books V-VIII	
	12	<i>The Odyssey</i> , Books IX-XII	
	14	<i>The Odyssey</i> , Books XIII-XVI	
	16	<i>The Odyssey</i> , Books, XVII-XX	
	19	<i>The Odyssey</i> , Books XXI-XXIV	
	21	<i>The Oresteia</i>	
	23	<i>The Oresteia</i>	
	26	<i>The Oresteia</i>	
	28	<i>The Oresteia</i>	
	30	Review	<i>Final Exam--TBA</i>