

Spring '90

CC 102: Antiquity and the Medieval World

Wednesday, 3-3:50pm

CLA 522

Devlin	CC 102 B1	Monday	3:00-6:00	CLA 414
Motzkin	CC 102 B2	Tues-Thurs	9:30-11:00	CLA 318
Jorgensen	CC 102 B3	Tues-Thurs	11:00-12:30	CLA 203
Swanson	CC 102 B4	Tues-Thurs	12:30-2:00	STH 318
Wians	CC 102 B5	Tues-Thurs	2:00-3:30	STH 318
Salamone	CC 102 B6	Tues-Thurs	3:30-5:00	CLA 318

Please note:

1. Because of Presidents Day, Tues, 20 Feb, follows the Monday schedule.
2. Because of Patriots Day, Wed, 18 April follows the Monday schedule.
3. The mid-term will be administered by individual seminar leaders. There will, however, be a single, jointly administered final exam.

Course Description This course is a continuation of CC 101: The Ancient World. In it, Core students will complete the study of the ancient Greek world through a reading of Aristotle's Ethics and the Handbook of Epictetus. The Roman world will be studied through Virgil's Aeneid. We will return to the Bible to study the origins of Christianity, reading the books of Matthew and Hebrew, and, more briefly, John. We shall also make an important foray into non-Western literature, with a study of the writings of Confucius and Lao Tzu, and of the Hindu epic, the Bhagavad Gita. Finally, the course will advance to the Medieval European period with a reading of Dante's Inferno and selections from the other parts of the Divine Comedy.

Books The books for this semester are listed below.

Please note: Aristotle's Ethics and the Holy Bible were included in last semester's packet.

- Aristotle: The Nicomachean Ethics (Oxford)
- Confucius: The Analects (Vintage)
- Lao Tzu: The Way of Life (Perigee)
- The Bhagavad Gita (Bantam)
- Epictetus: The Handbook (Hackett)
- The Holy Bible, rev. Standard edition (NAL)
- Virgil: The Aeneid (Vintage)
- Dante: The Inferno (Bantam)
- Dante: Purgatorio and Paradiso (photocopied selections to be distributed later)

Grading Final grades will be based on a combination of written work, examinations, and participation valued in the following proportions:

Mid-term exam	15%		Seminar papers	50%
Final exam	20%		Seminar participation	15%

Lecture Topics and Lecturers

<u>Week 1</u>	(sem. text)	<u>Week 8</u>	(sem. text)
<u>Lecture (Wed. 17 Jan):</u> Introduction; Aristotle in Context William Wians, Philosophy and the Core	Aristotle	<u>Lecture (Wed. 14 Mar):</u> Rise of the Roman Empire Meyer Reinhold, Classical Studies	Virgil
<u>Week 2</u>		<u>Week 9</u>	
<u>Lecture (Wed. 24 Jan):</u> Aristotle on Friendship Judith Swanson, Political Science and the Core	Aristotle	<u>Lecture (Wed. 21 Mar):</u> Roman Art and Architecture	Virgil
<u>Week 3</u>		<u>Week 10</u>	
<u>Lecture (Wed. 31 Jan):</u> Where is China? Robert Neville, Philosophy and Dean, School of Theology	Aristotle Confucius	<u>Lecture (Wed. 28 Mar):</u> Roman Society: The Heritage of Rome William Vance, English and American Studies	Virgil
<u>Week 4</u>		<u>Week 11</u>	
<u>Lecture (Wed. 7 Feb):</u> Confucius and the Tradition of Virtue Livia Kohn, Religion	Confucius Lao Tzu	<u>Lecture (Wed. 4 Apr):</u> Spread of Christianity Steven Salamone, Classical Studies and the Core	Mathew
<u>Week 5</u>		<u>Week 12</u>	
<u>Lecture (Wed. 14 Feb):</u> Lao Tzu and Taoism Livia Kohn, Religion	Lao Tzu Bhagavad Gita	<u>Lecture (Wed. 11 Apr):</u> Philosophical Sources of Dante Aryeh Motzkin, Philosophy and the Core	Mathew Dante
<u>Week 6</u>		<u>Week 13</u>	
<u>Lecture (Wed. 21 Feb):</u> Background to Indian Religion Sahotra Sarkar, Philosophy	Bhagavad Gita	<u>Lecture (Wed. 18 Apr):</u> [No lecture. Wednesday follows Monday schedule]	Dante
<u>Week 7</u>		<u>Week 14</u>	
<u>(Wed. 28 Feb):</u> Stoicism James Devlin, Philosophy and the Core	Epictetus	<u>Lecture (Wed. 25 Apr):</u> The Gothic Cathedral Susan Tholl, Art History	Dante
<u>Midsemester break 3-11 Mar.</u>		<u>Week 15</u>	
		<u>Lecture (Wed. 2 May):</u> Matters Philosophical and Poetic Brian Jorgensen, Classical Studies and the Core	Dante