HIEU 102A: ANCIENT ROMAN CIVILIZATION

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HSS 4059

MWF 12:00 to 12:50
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REQUIRED TEXTS:
Cicero. *Selected Works* [Grant Translation] (Penguin, 1971)

RECOMMENDED TEXT:

GRADE BREAKDOWN:
Midterm 25%
Research Paper (1500 to 2000 words) 35%
Final Exam 40%

LATE ASSIGNMENTS:
Late assignments will be docked 1/3 of a letter grade per calendar day late (including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays). For example, if the assignment is due on a Wednesday, and a student hands it in the following Monday, the assignment will be docked 1 2/3 grades.

READING SCHEDULE
***Readings should be completed before the class for which they are assigned***

WEEK 0:
*Lecture 1 (9/25): Introduction to the Course*

WEEK 1:
***NO CLASS ON 9/28***
*Lecture 2 (9/30): The Roman Monarchy (753-509 BCE)*
MELLOR: p. 169-205 (Livy on the Monarchy)
*Lecture 3 (10/2): The Rise of the Roman Republic*
MELLOR: p. 205-227 (Livy on the secession of the plebs), p. 50-63 (Polybius on the Roman Constitution)

WEEK 2: Roman Expansion
*Lecture 4 (10/5): The Roman Conquest of Italy*
MELLOR: p. 227-241 (Livy on the Gallic invasion)
*Lecture 5 (10/7): The First Punic War*
MELLOR: p. 15-27 (Polybius on the causes of the First Punic War)
*Lecture 6 (10/9): The Second Punic War*
MELLOR: p. 242-288 (Livy on the Second Punic War)

WEEK 3: Roman Imperialism
*Lecture 7 (10/12): The Third Punic War and The Conquest of the Mediterranean*
MELLOR: p. 288-320 (Livy on the Roman conquest of Greece)
*Lecture 8 (10/14): Roman Religion, Ethics, and Philosophy*
*Lecture 9 (10/16): The Roman Government*
SHELTON: p. 203-226 (items 251-266), p. 268-287 (items 317-324)
WEEK 4: Crisis, Reform, and Civil War
Lecture 10 (10/19): The Class System and Slavery in Rome
SHELTON: p. 4-15 (items 1-14), p. 163-195 (items 198-235)
Lecture 11 (10/21): Gracchi, Marius, and Sulla
MELLOR: p. 65-79 (Appian)
SHELTON: p. 243-252 (items 291-293)
Lecture 12 (10/23): Cicero and Cato
CICERO: p. 157-247

WEEK 5: The End of the Republic
Lecture 13 (10/26): The First Triumvirate
MELLOR: p. 82-115 (Sallust on the Catilinarian Conspiracy)
Lecture 14 (10/28): Caesar's Dictatorship
MELLOR: p. 348-381 (Suetonius' Life of Julius Caesar)
Lecture 15 (10/30): MIDTERM

WEEK 6: The Dawn of the Principate
Lecture 16 (11/2): The Second Triumvirate
CICERO: p. 101-153 (The Second Philippic Against Antony)
Lecture 17 (11/4): Caesar Augustus and The Principate
Lecture 18 (11/6): The Pax Romana
MELLOR: p. 451-459 (Tacitus on Augustus)

WEEK 7:
Lecture 19 (11/9): The Julio-Claudian Dynasty
MELLOR: p. 469-517 (Tacitus on the Julio-Claudian Dynasty)
SHELTON: p. 386-388 (items 429-431)

***NO CLASS ON 11/11 (VETERANS' DAY)***

Lecture 20 (11/13): Roman Society in the Empire—Public Life

WEEK 8:
Lecture 21 (11/16): Roman Society in the Empire—Family Life and the Role of Women
TERMPAPER DUE***

Lecture 22 (11/18): The Flavian Dynasty
MELLOR: p. 331-345 (Josephus), p. 517-530 (Tacitus on the Flavian Dynasty)

Lecture 23 (11/20): The Five Good Emperors
MELLOR: p. 539-555 (Cassius Dio), p. 575-593 (Life of Hadrian)

WEEK 9:
Lecture 24 (11/25): Roman Demographics
SHELTON: p. 59-64 (items 79-85), 79-91 (items 99-122)

Lecture 25 (11/27): The Crisis of the Third Century

***NO CLASS ON 11/27 (THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY)***

WEEK 10:
Lecture 26 (11/30): The Christianization of Rome
SHELTON: p. 406-417 (items 444-453)

Lecture 27 (12/2): Constantine
MELLOR: p. 557-574 (Eusebius' Life of Constantine)

Lecture 28 (12/4): The "Fall" of the Roman Empire
MELLOR: p. 595-613, (Ammianus Marcellinus' Histories)

FINAL EXAM: Thursday, 12/10/2009 from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM