

# Schedule of Readings and Assignments

For each meeting, please come into class having read and thought about the readings assigned for that class.

Readings listed with the book icon (📖) are from the assigned textbook, Pomeroy, *Ancient Greece*, 4th Edition.

Apart from *Clouds*, which you need to get your own copy of, the primary source selections for each week starting with Meeting 3 are from *Readings from Hellas*. All of the readings are available here on the website and are linked to below under the weeks they are assigned, and are also collected on the PDF/Print page.

**Note:** Everything listed under each meeting—the textbook readings, primary source readings, and *Clouds*—is fair game for the quizzes we'll have at the start of most meetings.

August 2024						
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September 2024						
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October 2024						
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November 2024						
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December 2024						
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## ORIGINS

### 1 Introduction and Evidence

Thursday, August 29

📖 Introduction

### 2 Dawn of the Aegean

Thursday, September 5

📖 Chapter 1

### 3 The Greek Dark Age

Thursday, September 12

📖 Chapter 2

Also read one of the following:

- ★ Agamemnon's Insult / Homer
- ★ The Death of Patroclus / Homer
- ★ Nausicaa and the Stranger / Homer
- ★ Odysseus and the Suitors / Homer
- ★ The Beginnings of Things / Hesiod

## THE DAWN OF HELLAS

### 4 Archaic Greece

Thursday, September 19

📖 Chapter 3

Also read one of the following:

- ★ Accounts of the Hellenic Games / Various
- ★ Selected Poems / Sappho
- ★ On Labor / Hesiod
- ★ The Founding of Cyrene / Herodotus and Strabo
- ★ Accounts of Religious Beliefs / Various Writers

### 5 Sparta and the Art of War

Thursday, September 26

📖 Chapter 4

Also read one of the following:

- ★ The Great Rhetra of Sparta / Plutarch
- ★ Sayings of Spartan Women / Plutarch
- ★ The Spartan Polity / Xenophon
- ★ The Spartan Way of Living / Herodotus
- ★ On the Spartan Constitution / Aristotle

### 6 Athens and the Art of Society

Thursday, October 10

📖 Chapter 5

Also read one of the following:

- ★ The Rule of Law / Solon
- ★ The Tyranny at Corinth / Herodotus
- ★ On Aristogeiton and Harmodius / Thucydides
- ★ The Battle of Thermopylae / Herodotus
- ★ from 'The Persians' / Aeschylus

## THE CLASSICAL FERMENT

### 7 The Legacy of the Persian Wars

Thursday, October 17

📖 Chapter 6

Also read one of the following:

- ★ On the Athenian Constitution / Pseudo-Xenophon
- ★ from 'Medea' / Euripides
- ★ Pericles and Cimon / Plutarch
- ★ Documents on Greek Slavery / Various
- ★ Arguments in an Accidental Homicide / Antiphon

📌 **The Proposal is due Monday, October 14.**

### 8 History, Tragedy, and Comedy

Thursday, October 24

📖 Chapter 7 pp. 277-302

📖 *Clouds*, intro + first half

### 9 Athens in the Classical Period

Thursday, October 31

📖 Chapter 7 pp. 303-323

📖 *Clouds*, second half

### 10 War Between the Greeks

Thursday, November 7

📖 Chapter 8

Also read one of the following:

- ★ Perikles's Funeral Oration / Thucydides
- ★ Civil War in Corcyra / Thucydides
- ★ The Plague at Athens / Thucydides
- ★ The Melian Dialog / Thucydides
- ★ A Charge of Sacrilege / Andocides

### 11 The Fourth Century Crisis

Thursday, November 14

📖 Chapter 9

Also read one of the following:

- ★ The Death of Socrates / Plato
- ★ The Allegory of the Cave / Plato
- ★ On Epaminondas / Cornelius Nepos
- ★ The Battle of Leuctra / Xenophon
- ★ Athenian Bankers / Unknown

📌 **The Clouds essay is due Monday, November 11.**

## HELLENISM AND THE WORLD

### 12 The Rise of Makedon

Thursday, November 21

📖 Chapter 10

Also read one of the following:

- ★ The Beginning of Philip of Makedon's Reign / Justin
- ★ The First Philippic / Demosthenes
- ★ Address to Philip / Isocrates
- ★ The Last Stand / Demosthenes
- ★ The Murder of Philip II / Plutarch

### 13 Alexander the Great

Thursday, December 5

📖 Chapter 11

Also read one of the following:

- ★ The Ideal State / Aristotle
- ★ On Alexander / Plutarch
- ★ Speech of Alexander the Great / Arrian
- ★ Death of Alexander / Plutarch

### 14 The Hellenistic World

Thursday, December 12

📖 Chapter 12

Also read one of the following:

- ★ The Procession of Ptolemy II / Athenaeus
- ★ Women at the Adonis Festival / Theocritus
- ★ On Zeno the Stoic / Diogenes Laërtius
- ★ The Destruction of Corinth / Polybius

📌 **The Position Paper is due Monday, December 9.**

### 15 Final Exam

Thursday, December 19

The final exam will be held in-person on Thursday, December 19 from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. in our normal meeting room.