The University of Texas at Tyler Fall Semester 2024 HIST 3382 – Mediterranean Civilization

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## Course Overview and Objectives:

This is an upper-level survey of ancient Greek and Roman history. We will explore the political, social and cultural history of the Classical Mediterranean world, seeking an understanding of the Greco-Roman outlook and its influence on the Western Tradition. We will also explore other aspects of the classical world, including archaeology, art and literature.

# Course Requirements:

The course will consist of lectures and discussions; regular attendance and participation are essential to success but are not assessed quantitatively. There will be a midterm exam, a final exam, and a term paper. Each of these will be worth 1/3 of your final grade. The exams will consist of paragraph long identification terms (a choice of 5 out of ten for a total of 50 points) and a longer essay worth fifty points, for a total of 100 points. The term paper will be an analysis of your choice of one of the two books by Plutarch, one of the great writers of classical antiquity. The term paper is also worth 100 points.

## Grading Policy:

Each of the three assignments (midterm, final, term paper) is worth 100 points for a total of 300 points. The grading scale is as follows:

A = 270-300 points

B = 240-269 points

C = 210-239 points

D = 180-209 points

F = 0-179 points

Makeup exams will not be given, nor will late papers be accepted; the only exceptions being officially documented medical or family emergencies. Plagiarism of any sort will not be tolerated and will result in an F for the course.

Final Withdrawal Date: Wednesday, November 4

Required Books to purchase:

Price and Thonemann, *The Birth of Classical Europe*Plutarch, *The Rise and Fall of Athens*Plutarch, *The Fall of the Roman Republic* 

Calendar of Meetings and Assignments (dates subject to change with advance notice):

Week 1 (Aug. 27 and 29)

Course Introduction and the Geography of the Mediterranean World

Week 2 (Sept. 3 and 5)

The Mediterranean in the Bronze Age: Minoan and Mycenaean Archaeology and Civilization

Readings: Price, chapter 1 and Plutarch, Life of Theseus

Week 3 (Sept. 10 and 12)

The Foundations of Classical Greek Civilization and the Greco-Persian Wars Readings: Price, chapter 2 and Plutarch, Lives of Solon and Themistocles

Week 4 (Sept. 17 and 19) The Golden Age of Athens

Readings: Price, chapter 3 and Plutarch, Lives of Aristides and Cimon

Week 5 (Sept. 24 and 26) The Peloponnesian War

Readings: Price, chapter 4 and Plutarch, Lives of Pericles, Nicias and Alcibiades

Week 6 (Oct. 1 and 3) Alexander the Great

Readings: Price, chapter 5

Week 7 (Oct. 8 and 10)

The Diadochi and the Hellenistic World

Week 8 (Oct 15 and 17)

Midterm Exam, Thursday, October 17

Week 9 (Oct. 22 and 24) The Early History of Rome Readings: Price, chapter 6

Week 10 (Oct. 29 and 31)

Rome's Conquests and the Crisis of the Republic

Readings: Price, chapter 7 and Plutarch, Lives of Marius and Sulla

Week 11 (Nov. 5 and 7)

The Decline and Fall of the Roman Republic

Readings: Plutarch, Lives of Crassus and Pompey

Week 12 (Nov. 12 and 14)

The War between Julius Caesar and the Senate; Caesar's Dictatorship

Readings: Plutarch, Lives of Caesar and Cicero

Week 13 (Nov. 19 and 21)

Caesar Augustus and the Principate

Readings: Price, chapter 8

Week 14 (Nov. 26 and 28)

No Meetings – Thanksgiving Break

Week 15 (Dec. 3 and 5)

The Roman Empire and the Pax Romana

Readings: Price Chapter 9

Term Paper Due, Tuesday, December 3

Week 16 (Dec. 10 and 12)

No Meeting, Tuesday, December 10

Final Exam, Thursday, December 12, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm

#### UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT MUST APPEAR IN EACH COURSE SYLLABUS

### **UT Tyler Honor Code**

Every member of the UT Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

#### Students Rights and Responsibilities

To know and understand the policies that affect your rights and responsibilities as a student at UT Tyler, please follow this link:

http://www.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php

#### Campus Carry

We respect the right and privacy of students 21 and over who are duly licensed to carry concealed weapons in this class. License holders are expected to behave responsibly and keep a handgun secure and concealed. More information is available at

http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php

#### UT Tyler a Tobacco-Free University

All forms of tobacco will not be permitted on the UT Tyler main campus, branch campuses, and any property owned by UT Tyler. This applies to all members of the University community, including students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors, and visitors.

Forms of tobacco not permitted include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and all other tobacco products.

There are several cessation programs available to students looking to quit smoking, including counseling, and group support. For more information on cessation programs please visit www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free.

### Grade Replacement/Forgiveness and Census Date Policies

Students repeating a course for grade forgiveness (grade replacement) must file a Grade Replacement Contract with the Enrollment Services Center (ADM 230) on or before the Census Date of the semester in which the course will be repeated. Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at <a href="http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar">http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar</a>. Each semester's Census Date can be found on the Contract itself, on the Academic Calendar, or in the information pamphlets published each semester by the Office of the Registrar. Failure to file a Grade Replacement Contract will result in both the original and repeated grade being used to calculate your overall grade point average. Undergraduates are eligible to exercise grade replacement for only three course repeats during their career at UT Tyler; graduates are eligible for two grade replacements. Full policy details are printed on each Grade Replacement Contract.

The Census Date is the deadline for many forms and enrollment actions of which students need to be aware. These include:

☐ Submitting Grade Replacement Contracts, Transient Forms, requests to withhold directory information approvals for taking courses as Audit, Pass/Fail or Credit/No Credit.
Receiving 100% refunds for partial withdrawals. (There is no refund for these after the Census Date)
☐ Schedule adjustments (section changes, adding a new class, dropping without a "W" grade)
☐ Being reinstated or re-enrolled in classes after being dropped for non-payment.
☐ Completing the process for tuition exemptions or waivers through Financial Aid
State-Mandated Course Drop Policy
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Texas law prohibits a student who began college for the first time in Fall 2007 or thereafter from dropping more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the census date (See Academic Calendar for the specific date). Exceptions to the 6-drop rule may be found in the catalog. Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Center and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Enrollment Services Center if you have any questions.

#### Disability/Accessibility Services

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University of Texas at Tyler offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychological disabilities. If you have a disability, including a non-visible diagnosis such as a learning disorder, chronic illness, TBI, PTSD, ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment, you are encouraged to visit

https://hood.accessiblelearning.com/UTTyler and fill out the New Student application. The Student Accessibility and Resources (SAR) office will contact you when your application has been submitted and an appointment with Cynthia Lowery, Assistant Director of Student Services/ADA Coordinator. For more information, including filling out an application for services, please visit the SAR webpage at http://www.uttyler.edu/disabilityservices, the SAR office located in the University Center, # 3150 or call 903.566.7079.

#### Student Absence due to Religious Observance

Students who anticipate being absent from class due to a religious observance are requested to inform the instructor of such absences by the second-class meeting of the semester.

Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities Revised 05/19

If you intend to be absent for a university-sponsored event or activity, you (or the event sponsor) must notify the instructor at least.2 weeks prior to the date of the planned absence. At that time the instructor will set a date and time when make-up assignments will be completed.

Social Security and FERPA Statement It is the policy of The University of Texas at Tyler to protect the confidential nature of social security numbers. The University has changed its computer programming so that all students have an identification number. The electronic transmission of grades (e.g., via e-mail) risks violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; grades will not be transmitted electronically.

#### **Emergency Exits and Evacuation**

Everyone is required to exit the building when a fire alarm goes off. Follow your instructor's directions regarding the appropriate exit, If you require assistance during an evacuation, inform your instructor in the first week of class. Do not re-enter the building unless given permission by University Police, Fire department, or Fire Prevention Services.

## Student Standards of Academic Conduct

Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against any student who engages in scholastic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts.

i. "Cheating" includes, but is not limited to:
□ copying from another student's test paper.
☐ using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test.
☐ failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test.
☐ possession during a test of materials which are not authorized by the person giving the test, such as class
notes or specifically designed "crib notes". The presence of textbooks constitutes a violation if they have been
specifically prohibited by the person administering the test.
☐ using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test
key, homework solution, or computer program.
□ collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority.
☐ discussing the contents of an examination with another student who will take the examination.
☐ divulging the contents of an examination, for the purpose of preserving questions for use by another, when
the instructors have designated that the examination is not to be removed from the examination room or not to
be returned or to be kept by the student;
□ substituting for another person or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test,
or any course-related assignment.

☐ paying or offering money or other valuable thing to, or coercing another person to obtain an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program or information about an unadministered test, test key,
home solution or
computer program.
☐ falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit.
☐ taking, keeping, misplacing, or damaging the property of The University of Texas at Tyler, or of another, if the
student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained by such
conduct; and
☐ misrepresenting facts, including providing false grades or resumes, for the purpose of obtaining an academic
or financial benefit or injuring another student academically or financially.
ii. "Plagiarism" includes, but is not limited to, the appropriation, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another's work and the submission of it as one's own academic work offered for credit.
iii. "Collusion" includes, but is not limited to, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing
academic assignments offered for credit or collaboration with another person to commit a violation of any
section of the rules on scholastic dishonesty.
iv. All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by plagiarism software.
UT Tyler Resources for Students
□ UT Tyler Writing Center (903.565.5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu
□ UT Tyler Tutoring Center (903.565.5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu
☐ The Mathematics Learning Center, RBN 4021, this is the open access computer lab for math students, with
tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.

☐ UT Tyler Counseling Center (903.566.7254)