

Humanities 115: Philosophical Perspectives on the Humanities

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Course Requirements

Classroom participation, including attendance at and participation in writing seminars. Three 3–5 page papers, due Wed., Oct. 17, Mon., Nov. 12, and Wed., Dec. 5.

Texts

Aristotle, *The Nicomachean Ethics*, tr. D. Ross (Oxford World's Classics).

Homer, *The Iliad of Homer*, tr. R. Lattimore.

Plato, *Meno*, tr. G.M.A. Grube.

Sophocles, *Oedipus the King*, tr. D. Grene, in *Sophocles I*, ed. D. Grene and R. Lattimore.

Thomas and Grace West, tr., *Four Texts on Socrates*.

All texts should be available at the Seminary Coop Bookstore (5757 S. University Ave.). Readings not on the above list will be made available as photocopies.

I don't necessarily recommend the above translations as better than all others. It might be confusing to use a different translation, however, as they can sometimes vary wildly.

Readings

Wed., Sep. 26: Homer, *Iliad* I–II.483; III–IV.

Mon., Oct. 1: *Iliad* IX; XVI.1–256, .783–867; XIX; XXII–XXIV.

Thur., Oct. 4: *Iliad* V.1–317, .471–710; VI–VII; VIII.53–197, .211–.349, .485–.565; X.

Mon., Oct. 8: *Iliad* II.484–877; XVIII.32–59; Bible, Numbers 1–7; *Iliad*, XI–XIII; XIV.1–152, .361–522; XV.263–746; XVI.257–782; XVII; XX.156–503.

Thur., Oct. 11: *Iliad* V.311–470, .711–909; VIII.1–52, .198–210, .350–484; XIV.153–360; XV.1–262; XVIII; XX.1–155; XXI.

Mon., Oct. 15: Plato, *Ion*.

Wed., Oct. 17: Sophocles, *Oedipus Rex*, lines 1–512 (and **first paper due**).

Mon., Oct. 22: *Oedipus Rex*, lines 512–1530.

Wed., Oct. 24: Plato, *Euthyphro*.

Mon., Oct. 29: Plato, *Apology* 17^a–35^d.

Wed., Oct. 31: *Apology* 35^d–42^a.

Mon., Nov. 5: Aristophanes, *Clouds*, lines 1–1130.

Wed., Nov. 7: *Clouds*, lines 1131–1511.

Mon., Nov. 12: Plato, *Meno* 70^a–80^b (to end of Meno's speech) (and **second paper due**).

Wed., Nov. 14: *Meno* 80^b–89^c (to end of Meno's speech).

Mon., Nov. 19: *Meno* 89^c–100^c; *Gorgias* (brief selections).

Wed., Nov. 21: Plato, *Euthydemus* (selections); Aristotle, *Metaphysics* 1.1–2.

Mon., Nov. 26: Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics* 1–2, 3.6–9, 4.7; *Politics* 1.1, 1.13.

Wed., Nov. 28: Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics* 6, 10.