**Course Syllabus – HUM 2220 Greek/Roman Humanities**

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**Instructor Contact Information**

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**Student Engagement Hours:**

Mon/Weds    9:30 - 10:00 am, 1:00 - 2:00 pm (in office, 1-335 East Campus)

Tues/Thurs    9:00 am – noon  (via email, Canvas messages, or Zoom by request)

Friday           11:00 – noon  (via email, Canvas messages, or Zoom by request)

**Required Text**

No textbook is required for the course. The course contains historical and cultural content that was selected from an O.E.R. (Open Educational Resource). This content is dispersed throughout the course on separate pages and is indicated by the wording “Reading” in the title of each page.

**No. Credit Hours:  3.0**

**Prerequisite:  ENC1101, ENC1101H or IDH1110.**

**Course Description**

Integrated examination of dominant ideas in Western culture as expressed in art, literature, music, philosophy and religion. Covers period from the Trojan War through the Roman era, emphasizing the development and influence of classical ideas. Students must demonstrate college level writing skills through multiple written assignments including structured essays. Minimum grade of “C” required if used to satisfy Gordon Rule requirement.

## Course Structure

This is a **fully face-to-face** course. Students are expected to attend class two times per week. You can see the schedule of assignments in the orientation module. It is highly recommended that you print a copy of the course calendar as it will help keep you on track during the semester.

Course content is in the form of embedded reading material, class lectures, and occasional videos. Assessment will be in the form of formal and informal writing assignments, online quizzes and occasional in-class quizzes, as well as three in-class (on paper) unit exams. The first will cover early Greece, the second will cover the Classical and Hellenistic Greek periods, and the third will cover the Romans. In-class reviews will take place during the class period before each exam.

## Reading Content and Online Quizzes

A high amount of reading content is spread throughout the course. There is no traditional textbook being used for the course, so all the historical and cultural context that would normally be provided in a textbook is instead being provided on individual pages within the course. Numerous online quizzes are provided to help with comprehension of the reading content and retention of the information. Students can take each reading quiz up to three times to improve their grade.

There are numerous purposes and advantages for taking reading quizzes, including the following:

* Quizzes guide students' reading as they process large amounts of written content.
* The opportunity to take each quiz multiple times encourages students to repeatedly return to the content to find correct answers to specific questions. (The more students engage with the information, the more they will retain.)
* The opportunity to take each quiz multiple times allows students to earn "easy" points and improve their overall average in the course.
* Quizzes can be used to review from before unit tests.

## Class Lectures

Reading content will be supplemented with in-class lectures by the instructor. These lectures will not be made available online, so students should plan on attending class regularly so they do not miss any important information. PowerPoints with bulleted information that the instructor uses in class will be made available to students in the Canvas course modules.

## In-Class Quizzes

Unannounced in-class, written quizzes based on class lectures may be given from time to time. There will be no make-ups offered for missed quizzes; students must be present in class when quizzes are given or else receive a grade of zero for each missed quiz.

**Basis of Evaluation**

Students will be evaluated on the basis of a point system. Each assignment, quiz, essay, and test will be worth a certain number of points. (Tests and formal writing assignments will always be worth more points than quizzes and homework assignments.) Grade distribution will be as follows:

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| **Points Earned**  | **Final Grade** |
| 90-100% of pts. available       | A |
| 80-89% | B |
| 70-79% | C |
| 60-69% | D |
| less than 60% | F |

**Extra Credit**

Extra Credit will not be offered in this course as the instructor offers numerous opportunities for a student to improve their grade, such as multiple attempts for online quizzes.

**Course Communication**

The instructor will use Canvas messages for contacting students outside of class time. Each student is required to check their Canvas messages frequently so that they do not miss any important announcements from the instructor. The instructor is not responsible for information that is missed because a student failed to check their messages.

**Attendance During the First Week of Classes**

Attendance during the first week of class is mandatory. Anyone who does not attend at least one class meeting by the end of the first week of class will be withdrawn as a “No Show”—no exceptions.

**Attendance Policy**

This class meets twice a week on campus. Regular attendance is necessary for successful completion of the course. Students are allowed five absences without penalty. (That is the equivalent of two and a half weeks of class.) Once a student has missed five class meetings, they will receive an email warning from the instructor that they now have excessive absences, and that a sixth absence will result in automatic withdrawal from the class. Students should save their absences for when they need them, such as when they are sick.

**Student Withdrawal Deadline/Withdrawal Policy**

The deadline for withdrawing from a class for the Fall 2022 term is **Friday, October 28th, at 11:59 pm**. If you withdraw from a course prior to this date, you will automatically receive a “W,” regardless of the grade you were earning at the time. If you quit coming to class without withdrawing on your own, the attendance policy listed above will be in effect, and you will be automatically withdrawn by the instructor once you have six absences.

If you are an [international student](http://international.valenciacollege.edu/current-students/maintaining-visa-status/), or a [student on financial aid](http://valenciacollege.edu/finaid/satisfactory_progress.cfm), it is your responsibility to know how a "W" will affect your status.

**Academic Honesty**

Plagiarism is defined as taking ideas, writing, etc., from another and passing them off as one's own. It is morally and academically indefensible. Any assignment showing signs of plagiarism will receive a zero.

**Valencia Photo ID**

Every student must have a new Valencia photo ID in order to check out library books or to use any of the facilities in the library such as the Testing Center. You can get a new ID card in the Security Office on the second floor of building 5 on East Campus.