

## **Course Description**

Humanities Greek and Roman: Prerequisite: Minimum grade of C in ENC 1101 or ENC 1101H or IDH 1110  
This course encompasses a study of the ancient world with an emphasis on the study of Greek and Roman civilizations. Covers period from Prehistory through Roman Empire era, emphasizing development and influence of classical ideas. Integrated examination of dominant ideas in Western culture as expressed in art, literature, music, philosophy and religion. Students must demonstrate college-level writing skills through multiple assignments. Minimum grade of C required if used to satisfy Gordon Rule requirement.

## **Learning Outcomes**

As a result of taking this course, students will be able to:

- Students will recognize the significant societal institutions that shaped the ancient world: laws & politics, the quest for reason & order, art as propaganda
- students will distinguish early civilizations
- students will investigate the influence of a previous civilization on a future civilization
- students will compare the rise and fall of early civilizations
- students will analyze cultural artifacts
- Investigate the lasting historical impact of Classical values on art, architecture, drama, literature, philosophy, and politics.
- identify and describe the social, political, intellectual and historical roots of Western culture in the ancient world.
- demonstrate, through various types of formal and informal written assignments, effective college level writing skills in the areas of meaning and development, organization, and conventions

Credit Hours: 3

## **Teaching Philosophy**

My Humanities class requires mutual respect and empathy for all people of this multicultural world. I respect people and their contributions through the lens of ethnicities, racial, cultural, and sexual orientations. The recognition of diversity as an integral and undeniable definition of humanity leads to understanding the stories and principles of our growth toward reaching social and institutional equity. My goal in Humanities is to learn, teach and value the contributions of people from different backgrounds, religions, and cultures in addition to our own contemporary western concentration. I hope to contribute to student understanding that the philosophical principles of humanity are not through a single history, a single civilization or even a single popular belief.

## **Online Course Environment**

An Online course is a class in which all the content is delivered online at Valencia using the college-approved course management system. Online courses can provide opportunities for students to access their class material from anywhere; however, the student must take responsibility for their own learning. In any education program, the capacity for self-directed learning is crucial. While instructors and fellow students can provide some support, the student is expected to provide the internal motivation to manage their own learning during the course of study and have a basic grasp of Internet navigation skills and word processing skills. Canvas is used to

deliver all assignments and exams in this course and the student is responsible to learn to use this delivery system. Students should visit the course at least every 48 hours to remain up-to-date on communications from the instructor and fellow students.

### **Required Text**

The following etextbook is recommended:

*Humanities - Greek and Roman* by Henry Sayre

### **Basis of Evaluation/Your Grade**

Students will be evaluated based on:

#### **Class Grade Specifics:**

10% Discussions

30% Quizzes

30% Essays

30% Assignments

=100% possible

Grade distribution will be as follows:

#### Points Earned Final Grade

90-100 % A

80-89% B

70-79% C

60-69% D

less than 60% F

### **Grade Determination:**

This is a Gorden Rule class which requires a minimum 2,000 words and minimum 60% of grade based on writing.

## Essays

There are two essays to meet the Gordon Rule requirement of the class. The information for the essays is taught in class and discussed. The essays are typed into Canvas through a plagiarism and originality program.

## Quizzes

Quizzes are based on the weekly class material; you may use your class notes with the quizzes.

## Assignments

Worksheets based on class related readings posted in Canvas. Generally, multiple choice questions with some short answers based on the reading. The readings correlate directly with what we study in class and hopefully expand your understanding of each culture.

## Discussions

Students will post to a Discussion Board using class material. Here you interact with each other in an online environment engaging in the course content and sharing points of view on the assigned topic. The minimum sentence requirement is part of the grade and contributes to the Gordon Rule requirement.

## Interrupted Essays or Assignments

Occasionally it happens that your server, computer, or Canvas has an error while you are taking a quiz or an exam, and you need to have the exam or quiz reset. If that happens, you can contact me to help you if I am able to—only if the deadline has not passed. Please be aware of and take into account I am not online 24/7. If you email me at 11:55 pm when your quiz is due by 11:59 pm that same day, you should not expect a response from me before the deadline. Please plan accordingly.

## Attendance Policy

The College recognizes the correlation between attendance and both student retention and achievement. Per [College Policy](#) Students are expected to attend all classes, actively participate and complete all assigned course work for all courses for which they are registered. For online classes, attendance is determined by consistently logging in and accessing the course content and completing courses in accordance with the syllabus. Simply logging in to an online class does NOT count as attendance. Students must engage in an academically-related activity every week of class.

If you are unable to participate in the course due to illness, family emergency, etc., please communicate with me as soon as possible in order to create a plan to complete any missed assignments so that your learning can progress in your course. In the case of a prolonged online absence, please communicate with me as soon as possible in order to create a plan for the best course of action.

If you are an [international student](#), or a [student on financial aid](#)., it is your responsibility to know how a "W" will affect your status.

## Student Withdrawal Policy / Withdrawal Deadline

Mar 14, 2025 at 11:59 pm is the deadline for withdrawing from a class for the Spring 2025 term. 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.

### **Food/Housing Insecurity**

Any student who has difficulty accessing sufficient food to eat, or who lacks a safe and stable place to live and believes this may affect his or her performance in the course, is urged to meet with a Counselor in the Advising Center for information about resources that may be available from the college or community.

### **Emergencies related to Covid-19 Pandemic**

If you are unable to participate in the course due to illness, family emergency, etc., please communicate with me as soon as possible in order to create a plan to complete any missed assignments so that your learning can progress in your course. In the case of a prolonged online absence, please communicate with me as soon as possible in order to create a plan for the best course of action.

### **Disability Accommodations**

Students with disabilities who qualify for academic accommodations must provide a notification from the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) and discuss specific needs with the instructor, preferably during the first two weeks of class. The OSD determines accommodations based on appropriate documentation of disabilities. The East Campus Office is located in Building 5, Room 216.

### **Valencia Photo ID**

Every student must have a new Valencia photo ID in order to check out library ebooks 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.

### **Academic Honesty**

#### [Valencia Policy on Academic Dishonesty](#)

All forms of academic dishonesty are prohibited at Valencia College. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, furnishing false information, forgery, alteration or misuse of documents, misconduct during a testing situation, and misuse of identification with intent to defraud or deceive. All work submitted by students is expected to be the result of the students' individual thoughts, research, and self-expression. Whenever a student uses ideas, wording, or organization from another source, the source shall be appropriately acknowledged. Students shall take special notice that the assignment of course grades is the responsibility of the students' individual professor. When the professor has reason to believe that an act of academic dishonesty has occurred, and before sanctions are imposed, the student shall be given informal notice and an opportunity to be heard by the professor. Any student determined by the professor to have been guilty of engaging in an act of academic dishonesty shall be liable to a range of academic penalties as determined by the professor which may include, but not be limited to, one or more of the following: loss of credit for an assignment, examination, or project; a reduction in the course grade; or a grade of "F" in the course. At the option of the professor, the campus provost may be furnished with written notification of the occurrence and the action taken. If such written notice is given, a copy shall be provided to the student. Students guilty of engaging in a gross or flagrant

act of academic dishonesty or repeated instances of academic dishonesty shall also be subject to administrative and/or disciplinary penalties which may include warning, probation, suspension and/or expulsion from the College.

## **FERPA**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their education records. Students have the right to have some control over the disclosure of information from the records. It is Seminole State Colleges policy to comply with the requirements of FERPA and to prevent improper disclosure of personally identifiable information from the records. For more details on FERPA, please refer to the FERPA information on the [Valencia College website](#). [Links to an external site.](#)

## **Title XI**

Valencia College strives to be a community in which all members can learn and work in an atmosphere free from all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment, discrimination, intimidation and/or retaliation. All forms of discrimination and harassment based on protected status are prohibited at Valencia College. As such, students, faculty and staff are expected to adhere to the college's policy: [Notice of Non Discrimination](#) which prohibits the above actions, as well as sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking and interpersonal violence, which includes dating and domestic violence.