

GK 2000: ADVANCED ANCIENT GREEK

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Philoctetes on Lemnos, c. 430 BC;
cf. Sophocles' tragedy *Philoctetes*

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is the continuation of *Greek 1000*. At the rate of one unit per week, we will work through the second half of Mastronarde's *Introduction to Attic Greek*, beginning at Unit 23. After Reading Week, we will begin to read and translate continuous, unaltered passages of ancient Greek literature from *A Greek Anthology*. Closer to that time, we can discuss which highlights of Greek literature the class would most like to read: thus, a reading schedule for the last section of the course will be available in February 2013. Regardless of exact choices, the readings will consist of roughly 50% prose and 50% poetry.

3 lecture hours, 1.0 course

PREREQUISITE:

Greek 1000 or permission of the department

ANTIREQUISITES:

Former Greek 022.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course aims to complete the teaching of the basic grammatical structure and vocabulary of ancient Greek and to develop the ability to read continuous and unaltered Greek prose and poetry. In particular, students are expected to increase their understanding, through practice, of all grammatical concepts covered in Mastronarde's *Introduction to Attic Greek*, including those learned in *Greek 1000*. Through the *Anthology* readings, students acquire a basic familiarity with various Greek dialects and the different genres of Greek literature.

LEARNING OUTCOMES / TRANSFERABLE SKILLS:

At the end of this course, successful students will be able to:

- recognize, understand and explain all the major constructions found in Greek prose.

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- translate unaltered Greek prose and poetry texts accurately and sensitively;
- explain the linguistic and stylistic features pertaining to the given texts.
- to translate short English texts into idiomatic ancient Greek.
- to understand three basic Greek metrical schemes (dactylic hexameter, elegiac couplet, and iambic trimeter).

On successful completion of this course, students are expected to be able to:

- demonstrate a range of subject-specific skills, including a basic ability to analyze Greek prose and poetry texts critically and produce an accurate translation of those texts.
- demonstrate a range of transferable skills, including organisation of personal study and participation in oral discussion in class.

REQUIRED BOOKS:

Donald J. Mastrorarde. *Introduction to Attic Greek*. University of California Press, 1993 (ISBN : 052007843-8)

Joint Association of Classical Teachers. *A Greek Anthology*. Cambridge University Press, 2002 (ISBN: 0521000262)

EVALUATION:

1. Weekly Quizzes:	20%
2. Homework and Participation:	20%
3. In-Class Test I (Nov. 16):	15 %
4. In-Class Test II (March 2):	15 %
5. Final Examination:	30%

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:

1. If you miss an exam due to illness or provable personal crisis, **you must contact the instructor within 48 hours**. If you do not contact me, the grade of F will stand.
2. To apply for academic accommodation **due to illness** you **MUST** contact the **DEAN's** office of your home faculty. Make-up exams on medical grounds **CANNOT** be granted by the instructor (see the new UWO Policy on Accommodation below).
3. Students should note that missed quizzes will be counted as zeroes. If you contact the instructor in advance (or within 24 hours) **and** provide proof of illness or a personal crisis, you may take a make-up quiz on the following Monday before class or (in exceptional cases) have the quiz excluded from the yearly average.
4. Those who miss classes or parts of classes remain responsible for material they have missed. Students are encouraged to form study groups in order to assist each other in preparing for tests and for discussion of assigned readings.
5. There is no extra credit in this course; there will be no re-weighting of the course components.

CLASS COMMUNICATION:

Class will be notified of any class cancellations, room changes and other special announcements via the course website on OWL.

NOTE FROM THE DEAN OF ARTS:

You are responsible for ensuring that you have successfully completed all course prerequisites and that you have not taken an antirequisite course. Lack of prerequisites may not be used as basis of appeal. If you are not eligible for a course, you may be removed from it at any time, and you will receive no adjustment to your fees. These decisions cannot be appealed.

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PLAGIARISM:

Students must write their essays and assignments in their own words. Whenever students take an idea, or a passage of text from another author, they must acknowledge their debt both by using quotation marks where appropriate and by proper referencing such as footnotes or citations. Plagiarism is a major academic offence (see Scholastic Offence Policy in the Western Academic Calendar).

Students should be aware that the instructor may use plagiarism-checking software for written assignments. All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com (<http://www.turnitin.com>).

UWO POLICY ON ACCOMODATION FOR MEDICAL ILLNESS: <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/medical.pdf>

[downloadable Student Medical Certificate (SMC): <https://studentservices.uwo.ca> under the Medical Documentation heading.] Students seeking academic accommodation on medical grounds for any missed tests, exams and/or assignments worth 10% or more of their final grade must apply to the Office of the Dean of their home faculty and provide documentation. **Academic accommodation cannot be granted by the instructor or department.**

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