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Introduction to Western Humanities
Liberal Studies (LS 151)
MWF 2:10, LA 202

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General Lecture meets:
Thursdays 11:10 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in ULH
or Thursdays 7:10-8:00 p.m. in SS 352

I. Texts (lecture and video schedule: see FacPac)

<i>New Oxford Annotated Bible (NRSV)</i>	<i>Sappho</i>
<i>The Odyssey</i>	<i>Greek Tragedies</i>
<i>Five Dialogues of Plato</i>	FacPac
<i>Confessions of St. Augustine</i>	

II. Reading Assignments [and lectures]:

Wed., Sept. 6	Intro. to section, texts, assignments
[The Edenic Myth: Beginnings]	
Fri., Sept. 8	Timeline; "Epic of Creation" [FacPac];
Intro. to OT, pp. xxxi-xxxvi; <i>Genesis</i> , p. 1, chs. 1-3	
Mon., Sept. 11	<i>Genesis</i> , chs. 4-11; "Theogony" [FacPac]
Wed., Sept. 13	<i>Iliad</i> , summary [FacPac]; <i>Odyssey</i> ,
summary and glossary [FacPac]; <i>Odyssey</i> , Books I and II	
[The Odyssey]	
Fri., Sept. 15	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books III and IV
Mon., Sept. 18	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books V, VI, and VII
Wed., Sept. 20	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books VIII, IX, X
[Greek Art]	
Fri., Sept. 22	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books XI, XII, XIII
Mon., Sept. 25	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books XIV, XV, XVI
Wed., Sept. 27	readings on women, pp. 29-54 [FacPac]
[Women in Antiquity]	
Fri., Sept. 29	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books XVII, XVIII, XIX
Mon., Oct. 2	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books XX, XXI, XXII
Wed., Oct. 4	<i>Odyssey</i> , Books XXIII, XXIV
[Greek Lyrics]	
Fri., Oct. 6	Sappho; Greek Lyrics, pp. 55-62 [FacPac]
Mon., Oct. 9	Tanakh, Lilith, pp. 63-69 [FacPac];
<i>Genesis</i> , chs. 12-19	
Wed., Oct. 11	<i>Genesis</i> , chs. 20-28
[Torah]	
Fri., Oct. 13	<i>Genesis</i> , chs. 29-35
Mon., Oct. 16	<i>Exodus</i> , chs. 1-4, 11-15, 19-24, 32
Wed., Oct. 18	<i>Leviticus</i> 25; <i>Deuteronomy</i> , chs. 5-6, 15,
29-30; <i>I Samuel</i> 4-8, 15-18	
[Prophets]	
Fri., Oct. 20	<i>Amos</i> , all; <i>Isaiah</i> 8-12, 24-25, 42-43
Mon., Oct. 23	<i>Psalms</i> [reading to be divided in class]
Wed., Oct. 25	<i>Proverbs</i>
[Islam and Koran]	
Fri., Oct. 27	<i>Ecclesiastes</i> and <i>Song of Solomon</i>
Mon., Oct. 30	<i>Job</i> pp. 623-624, chs. 1-16
Wed., Nov. 1	<i>Job</i> 17-42
[Job]	
Fri., Nov. 3	<i>Antigone</i> , pp. 178-203

Mon., Nov. 6 *Antigone*, pp. 204-232
 Wed., Nov. 8 "The Theatre" and "Hecuba" pp. 71-82
 [FacPac]; *Hippolytus*, pp. 235-260 (end of Scene II)
 [Greek Drama]
 Fri., Nov. 10 NO CLASS--ELECTION DAY HOLIDAY
 Mon., Nov. 13 *Hippolytus*, pp. 260-295
 Wed., Nov. 15 "Pre-Socratics," pp. 83-96; "On the
 Nature of the Universe, pp. 97-114 [FacPac]
 [Pre-Socrates and Lucretius]
 Fri., Nov. 17 Thucydides, pp. 141-158 [FacPac]
 Mon., Nov. 20 Plato's Cave, pp. 159-161 [FacPac];
 Plato, *Five Dialogues*: intro.
 Wed., Nov. 22-Fri., Nov. 24 Travel Day and THANKSGIVING
 Mon., Nov. 27 "Euthyphro," "Apology"
 Wed., Nov. 29 "Crito"
 [Plato]
 Fri., Dec. 1 Bible, NT pp. iii-vi, viii-x; *Mark*, p.
 47, chs. 1-8
 Mon., Dec. 4 *Mark*, chs. 9-16; *Matthew*, ch. 5; *Luke*,
 chs. 10, 14, 15; *John*: chs. 1, 6
 Wed., Dec. 6 *Acts* 1-2, 4, 15:6-11; *Romans* 2-9, 12;
Corinthians 13; *Galatians* 5:13-22; *James* 2
 [The Gospels]
 Fri., Dec. 8 *Confessions*, Intro.; Books I-II; Book
 III, chs. 1-8, 10-12
 Mon., Dec. 11 Book IV, all; Book V, chs. 1-2, 4-6, 10-
 12, 14; Book VI, chs. 4-6, 11, 14-15; Book VII: chs. 2-5, 9-21;
 Book VIII, all
 Wed. Dec. 13 Book IX, chs. 1, 6; Book X: chs. 3-6,
 17, 22-24, 26-35, 40; Book XI: chs. 9-12, 28-29
 [The Confessions]
 Fri., Dec. 15 Review
 FINAL comprehensive exam over all general lectures,
 readings, and discussions: Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1:10-3:10

III. Written Assignments

1. Short (1-2 pages typed) papers on 7 of the 14 general lectures. Provide main themes and significant supporting points. Due the Monday after the lecture. Expect a quiz if a paper is not assigned for a particular lecture.
2. An essay (4-5 pages typed) on a topic from *The Odyssey*. Due Friday, October 6.
3. A revision of the *Odyssey* paper, due Friday, October 20.
4. An essay (3-4 pages) on a topic from the Jewish scriptures. Due Friday, November 3.
5. Short quizzes on lectures and readings.

IV. Grading

1. Grades will be based on written work, as well as attendance and class participation. Excessive absences (more than 3) and/or tardiness may lower your final grade.
3. A borderline "C" will be required for a passing grade.
4. "Drop" deadline (or change of grade option) is Oct. 16.