

GK 3100B/4903B ANCIENT GREEK PROSE SELECTIONS: Plato's Menexenus

Instructor: See OWL
Course Location: See OWL
Course Times: See OWL
Email: See OWL
Office: See OWL
Office Hours: TBA or by appoint.
Course Website: owl.uwo.ca

Note: This course will be conducted entirely in person.



Bust of Plato
Vatican Museum, Rome

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The main text for this class will be Plato's Menexenus. In the opening scene of this dialogue, Socrates engages his young

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EVALUATION:

1. Preparation and Participation: 20%

In this course you will consolidate your knowledge of the elements of Greek grammar and syntax and develop an ability to read Greek prose texts. For this purpose we will spend most of our time translating and analyzing in great detail the funeral oration in Plato's Menexenus and passages from various other Athenian *logoi epitaphioi* if time permits. As homework students are expected to prepare one to two pages of our primary text. Preparation entails looking up unfamiliar words and forms, being able to explain the workings of the syntax (e.g. why does this noun appear in the genitive or what is the function of that participle?) and producing a precise translation. At the beginning of each class we will do a quick review of the passage covered in the previous class, by having one student read the Greek and provide a fluid translation. Students are expected to participate fully in the class, both in terms of completing assignments and in terms of listening attentively and participating in class discussions (20% of final mark).

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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 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 Brightspace

Students are responsible for checking the course OWL site <https://westernu.brightspace.com/d2l/login> on a regular basis for news and updates. This is the primary method by which information will be disseminated to all students in the class. All course material will be posted to OWL <https://westernu.brightspace.com/d2l/login>. If students need assistance with the course OWL site, they can seek support on the OWL Help page. Alternatively, they can contact the Western Technology Services Helpdesk. They can be contacted by phone at 800-961-8800 or ext. 83800, or with a support ticket [create an OWL Brightspace service ticket](#)

NOTE FROM THE DEAN OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES: Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

STUDENT ABSENCES

General information about missed coursework

Students must familiarize themselves with the University Policy on Academic Consideration –

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ACCOMMODATION FOR RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS : Students should review the [policy for Accommodation for Religious Holidays](#)
Where a student will be unable to write examinations and term tests due to a conflicting religious holiday, they should infor

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