Directed Studies: Literature  
Fall 2019

Lecture: Monday, 11:35-12:25, Whitney Humanities Center Auditorium

Seminar Discussion Sections
- Katja Lindskog  MW 9–10:15
- Karin Roffman  TTh 1–2:15
- David Quint  MW 2:30–3:45
- Kathryn Slanski  TTh 2:30–3:45
- Greg Ellermann  MW 2:30–3:45
- Benjamin Barasch  MW 9–10:15
- Ellen Handler Spitz  TTh 1–2:15

Books (Yale Bookstore, 77 Broadway, New Haven CT, (203) 777-8440 x143.)


Reading assignments and lectures

Week 1 of August 26 (classes begin on Wed, August 28; Monday classes meet Friday, August 30)

Reading and discussions: Homer, *Iliad*
Lecture (*Friday, Aug 30, 11:35–12:25*): *Iliad* (Prof. Jane Levin)

Week 2 of September 2 (No Monday classes Labor Day, Monday September 2)
Reading and discussions: Homer, *Iliad*
Lecture (*Tues, Sept 3, 4pm*): *Iliad*, (Prof. Josh Billings, Princeton)
Week 3 of September 9
Reading and discussions: *Iliad* (end); *Odyssey*
  i) *Iliad*
  ii) *Odyssey*
Lecture (Mon, Sept. 9): *Odyssey* (Prof. Pauline LeVen)

Week 4 of September 16
Reading and discussions: Homer, *Odyssey*
Lecture (Mon, Sept. 16): *Odyssey* (Prof. Ruth Yeazell)

Week 5 of September 23
Reading and discussions: Sappho, *If not, Winter; The Hebrew Bible: Genesis*
  i) *Sappho*, lyric poems
  ii) *Hebrew Bible*
Lecture (Mon, Sept. 23): Sappho’s lyric poetry (Prof. LeVen)

Week 6 of September 30
Reading and discussions: *The Hebrew Bible: Genesis and Exodus; Agamemnon*
  i) *Hebrew Bible*
  ii) Oresteia: *Agamemnon*
Lecture (Monday, September 30): *The Hebrew Bible* (Prof. Slanski)

Week 7 of October 7
Reading and seminars:
  i) Oresteia: *Libation Bearers, Eumenides*
  ii) Sophocles, *Antigone*
Lecture (Monday, October 7): *Aeschylus’s Oresteia* (Prof. Ellermann)

Week 8 of October 14 (Mon and Tues classes only this week; No classes Wed-Fri)
Reading and seminar: Euripides, *Bacchae*
Lecture (Monday, Oct 14): *Bacchae* (Prof. Handler Spitz)

(Fall Recess October 16-20)

Week 9 of October 21
Reading and discussions: Virgil, *Aeneid*
Lecture (Mon, Oct 21): *Aeneid* (Prof. Quint)

Week 10 of October 28
Reading and discussions: Virgil, *Aeneid*
Lecture (Mon, October 28): *Aeneid* (Prof. Kirk Freudenberg)
Week 11 of November 4
Reading and discussions: Ovid, *Metamorphosis*: Book 1, Book 3, pp. 108-16 (Echo & Narcissus), Book 6, Book 10, Book 11, pp. 423-25 (Death of Orpheus); from the Romulus story at the end of Book 14 to end of Book 15
Lecture (Mon, Nov. 4): (Prof. Lindskog)

Week 12 of November 11
Reading and discussions: New Testament—Gospel of Matthew
Lecture (Mon, Nov 11): *Gospel of Matthew* (Prof. Laura Nasrallah)

Week 13 of November 18
Reading and discussions: Dante, *Divine Comedy: Inferno*
Lecture (Mon, Nov. 18): *Inferno* (tbd)

---(Thanksgiving Recess: Sat, Nov 23–Sun, Dec 1)---

Week 14 of December 2
Reading and discussions: Dante, *Divine Comedy: Purgatorio, Paradiso*:
   (i) *Purgatorio*, Books 1–2, 9–12, 21–33
   (ii) *Paradiso*, Books 31–33
Lecture (Mon, Dec. 2): *Purgatorio, Paradiso* (Prof. Barasch)

Final Exam: tba