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### HIST 300.03: The Historian's Craft - Classical Greek Historiography

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## Second Year Greek--Homeric Poetry

### Greek 212 (1) Spring Semester, 2002

Class meetings: MWF 11:10-12:00 (LA 305)

Instructor: Hayden W. Ausland (LA 424; 243-2125)

Primary Office Hours: MWF 10:30-11:00 & 2-3

This is a course in Greek epic poetry. We shall read in Greek some selections from Homer's *Iliad*. We shall also read the entire *Iliad* in English translation. The objects of the course are (a) to learn the peculiarities of hexameter poetry and the so-called Homeric dialect, and (b) to begin to study seriously one of the two principal Homeric poems.

Class will be conducted as a seminar that will call upon your powers of accurate translation and thoughtful discussion. We shall proceed through selections in Greek roughly in accordance with the schedule outlined below; advance preparation of the relevant text by all will be expected.

In class on Friday, March 15th., a written mid-term examination will test students' command of the readings listed for weeks 1-7. A similar comprehensive final examination will be administered at the regular time specified in the general schedule of classes. Those concerned to do everything they can, in the case of any ambiguity, to secure the higher of two grades will prepare a short oral report to the class during the second part of the term that will serve as the foundation of a written paper exposing some problem of interest in the *Iliad*.

**The basis for evaluation will include the quality and consistency  
both of class participation and of written work.**

#### Projected Schedule of readings:

(with additional readings in English noted)

Week 1	<i>Iliad</i> , 1.1-52	(English: books 1-4)
Week 2	1.53-100	(books 5-8)
Week 3	1.101-187	(books 9-12)
Week 4	1.188-244	(books 13-16)
Week 5	1.245-303	(books 17-20)
Week 6	1.345-430	(books 21-24)
Week 7	1.431-530	[Midterm]
[spring break]		
Week 8	9.1-91	
Week 9	9.92-170	
Week 10	9.307-429	
Week 11	9.430-523	
Week 12	9.524-619	
Week 13	16.1-100	
Week 14	24.472-575	
Week 15	24.576-676	

The academic bookstore has copies of an annotated Greek edition of the *Iliad*.  
A few relevant materials have been placed on reserve in the university's library.