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# LS 151.80: Introduction to Western Humanities - Honors

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I. Required Texts:

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

II. Plenary Lectures: Thursdays, 11:00-12:00 in ULH, or 7:00-8:00 p.m. in SS 356.  
(See FacPac for information on speakers, lecture titles, and specific dates.)

III. Reading Assignments:

9/5 None--Introduction to the Course.  
9/7 FacPac, pp. 1, 4-20; *Genesis*, p. 1 chapters 1-3.  
9/12 *Genesis*, Chapters 4-11.  
9/14 FacPac, pp. 21-28; *The Odyssey*, Books 1-4.  
9/19 *Odyssey*, books 5-8.  
9/21 *Odyssey*, books 9-12.  
9/26 *Odyssey*, books 13-16.  
9/28 *Odyssey*, books 17-20; FacPac, pp. 29-32, 47-48.  
10/3 *Odyssey*, books 21-24.  
10/5 *Sappho*, all; Fac-Pac, pp. 55-58.  
10/10 *Genesis*, pp. xv-xxii, xxxi-xxxvi; chapters 12-24.  
10/12 *Genesis*, chapters 25-35.  
10/17 *Exodus*, p. 69; chapters 1-4, 11-15, 19-24, 32.  
10/19 *Deuteronomy*, chapters 29-30; *I Samuel*, chapters 4-8; *Amos*, all.  
10/24 *Hosea*, all.  
10/26 *Job*, pp. 623-625, chapters 1-10.  
10/31 *Job*, chapters 11-19, 29-30, 38-42.  
11/2 *Greek Tragedies*, pp. 108-109; *Oedipus the King*, all.  
**11/7 Holiday: Election Day**  
11/9 FacPac, pp. 71-79; *Greek Tragedies*, *Hippolytus*, all.  
11/14 Reread the *Euripides* plays.  
11/16 FacPac, pp. 83-96, 97-114.  
11/21 FacPac, pp. 80-82, 141-158, 159-161.  
**11/23 Holiday: Thanksgiving**  
11/28 *Five Dialogues of Plato*: Introduction and *Euthyphro*, all.  
11/30 *Five Dialogues of Plato*: *Apology*, all; *Crito*, all.  
12/5 "New Testament", pp. iii-x, *Mark*, all.  
12/7 *Matthew*, chapter 5; *Luke*, chapters 10:25-37, 14:12-24, 15:11-32; *Romans*, chapters 3-8.  
12/12 *The Confessions*: Introduction, books 1 & 2; Book 3, chapters 1-7; Book 4, all.  
12/14 *The Confessions*: Book 5, chapter 10; Book 6, chapters 5, 6, 8, 15; Book 7, chapters 5, 12, 17; Book 8, chapters 5, 12; Book 8, chapters 1, 12; Book 9, chapters 1, 12; Book 10, chapters 1-8, 17, 28, 30, 31, 35, 40.

IV. Written Assignments:

1. Write summaries of 10 of the plenary lectures. Each lecture summary must include main themes and significant supporting points, and must be approximately one typed/printed page or equivalent. **Summaries are due the Tuesday after each lecture.**

2. A 4-5 page essay on a topic from *The Odyssey*, due **Thursday, October 5**. (Topics to be discussed.)

3. A revision of the above-mentioned essay, due **Thursday, October 19**.

4. A 3-4 page essay on a topic from the Jewish scriptures, due **Thursday, November 2**.

V. **Final Comprehensive Exam: Thursday, December 21, 10:10-12:10. NO CHANGES.**

VI. Grading:

1. Final grades will be based on the 5 major assignments listed above, as well as attendance and participation, according to the following percentages: Summaries, 20%; Odyssey essay and revision, 30%; second essay, 20%; Final exam, 20%; attendance/participation, 10%.

2. Excessive absences--more than 2--and/or persistent tardiness may lower your final grade.

3. For any students taking a "P/NP" option, a borderline "C" will be required for a grade of "P".

4. Extra credit may be earned for video reviews.

5. Drop deadline: October 16.