

GRS 200 A01 2012

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Texts:	Powell, Barry. A Short Introduction to Classical Myth, Custom Edition. Pearson.

Purpose: What were the Greek and Roman myths? Who told them and why? How can we understand them? And why do we still care? This course will assist students to examine and develop an informed response for these questions.

Evaluation: Evaluation will be based on quizzes and a written assignment, as follows:

4 in-class quizzes @ 17% each (Jan. 20, Feb. 08, Mar. 7, and Apr. 4)	68%
In-class essay (March 23)	32%
TOTAL	100%

Moodle: All students are required to have a University of Victoria Netlink ID to enable them to use Moodle (<http://www.moodle.ca>). Course materials will be posted as needed on Moodle.

Classroom

Please refrain from disruptive or distracting behaviour in class. Please turn off your cell phones and don't text. If you have a laptop please sit at the back so that the noise of typing, and the sight of whatever you may have on the screen, will not distract those around or behind you. If you must arrive late or leave early please do so as inconspicuously as you can, to the rear of the classroom.

Fine Print: Missed essays and quizzes will receive a grade of zero. There will be no make-up quizzes. In-class essays can be written on an alternate date only with appropriate documentation of medical or personal emergency. Breaches of academic integrity, as described in the U.Vic Policy on Academic Integrity, will be severely penalized¹.

Letter grades will be converted to GPA in accordance with the Grading table in the U.Vic Calendar². The grade will be calculated on the following scale:

Grading

95-100% =	A+	80-84% =	B+	65-69% =	C+	90-94% =	A	75-79% =	B
60-64% =	C	85-89% =	A-	70-74% =	B-	50-59% =	D	0-49% =	F

¹ U.Vic Policy on Academic Integrity: <http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2011/FACS/UnIn/UARe/PoAcl.html>

² Letter grade to GPA conversion table: <http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2011/FACS/UnIn/UARe/Grad.html>

Tentative Schedule and Assigned Readings

(Changes, if any, will be published on Google Calendar³ and on Moodle. All readings except Hesiod are in the assigned text. Hesiod is available via Moodle.)

1/4/2012	Introduction
1/6/2012	Powell Ch. 1: what is a myth?
1/10/2012	Powell Ch. 4: the cultural context of Greek myth
1/11/2012	Selections from Sappho (in the text); intro to Hesiod (Moodle)
1/13/2012	Powell Ch. 5: Development of Classical Myth; Greek Culture
1/17/2012	Powell Ch. 6; Myth and Creation; Hesiod's Theogony and its Near Eastern sources
1/18/2012	Selections from Hesiod (Moodle)
1/20/2012	QUIZ 1
1/24/2012	Powell Ch. 6; Myth and Creation (II)
1/25/2012	selections from Hesiod (Moodle)
1/27/2012	The Twelve Olympians
1/31/2012	Interpretations of Theogony; Marriages of Zeus
2/1/2012	Older Olympians (concl.)
2/3/2012	Homeric Hymn to Demeter
2/7/2012	Younger Olympians: Hymn to Apollo
2/8/2012	QUIZ 2
2/10/2012	Hymn to Apollo (part 2)
Feb. 13-17	READING BREAK
2/21/2012	Homeric Hymn to Hermes
2/22/2012	Hymn to Aphrodite.
2/24/2012	Hymn to Aphrodite (conclusion)
2/28/2012	Powell Ch. 7; Orpheus & Dionysus; the Homeric Hymn to Dionysus
2/29/2012	The remaining younger Olympians
3/2/2012	Ch. 8: Myth and the Hero: the Heroic Pattern: Herakles
3/6/2012	Powell Ch. 8: Heroes and Herakles (you are not responsible for Gilgamesh)
3/7/2012	QUIZ 3
3/9/2012	Powell Chapter 9: History and Myth
3/12/2012	History and Myth: Herodotus 1.1-1.5, 2.45.1-3; Thucydides 1.4-1.11, 1.21
3/13/2012	Powell Ch. 10: Myth and Folktale: Introduction to Folktale: Bellerophon and Perseus
3/15/2012	Homer, Odyssey Book 9
3/20/2012	How to write an essay outline
3/21/2012	Ch. 11: Myth and Society; Amazons
3/23/2012	IN CLASS ESSAY
3/27/2012	Euripides, Medea
3/28/2012	Medea (concl.)
3/30/2012	Ch. 12: Myth and Law; the Oresteia
4/3/2012	The Oresteia
4/4/2012	QUIZ 4

³ Google Calendar for GRS 200 A01 2012: https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=1nm3497p2v1q1d859ee1q7mvd8%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Los_Angeles

