

GRS 504

MA Roman History Field

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3.0 credits

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Meetings: weekly in Clearihue B430, at a time to be determined

A graduate-level survey of Roman history, with emphasis on training in working with Roman documents. The course comprises five elements, each worth 20% of the final grade: weekly documents readings (20 units, first and second terms; an essay on the Republic (3,500 words, due 2 December 2011); an essay on the Principate (3,500 words, due 5 April 2012); a group project on Lugdunum and Priene (presentation in departmental seminar on 23 March 2011); and a general test on Roman political history (2 hrs., must be taken before 25 April 2012).

All grades will be letter grades, with their grade-point equivalents, according to the UVic scale; no percentages will be used.

Faculty of Graduate Studies - Grading Scale			
Grade	Grade Point Value	Description	Achievement of Assignment Objectives
A+	9	Exceptional work	Technically flawless and original work demonstrating insight, understanding and independent application or extension of course expectations; often publishable
A	8	Outstanding work	Demonstrates a very high level of integration of material demonstrating insight, understanding and independent application or extension of course expectations
A-	7	Excellent work	Represents a high level of integration, comprehensiveness and complexity, as well as mastery of relevant techniques/concepts
B+	6	Very good work	Represents a satisfactory level of integration, comprehensiveness, and complexity; demonstrates a sound level of analysis with no major weaknesses
B	5	Acceptable work that fulfills the expectations of the course	Represents a satisfactory level of integration of key concepts/procedures. However, comprehensiveness or technical skills may be lacking
B-	4	Unacceptable work revealing some deficiencies in knowledge, understanding or techniques	Represents an unacceptable level of integration, comprehensiveness and complexity. Mastery of some relevant techniques or concepts lacking. Every grade of 4.0 (B-) or lower in a course taken for credit in the Faculty of Graduate Studies must be reviewed by the supervisory committee of the student and a recommendation made to the Dean of Graduate Studies. Such students will not be allowed to register in the next session until
C+	3		
C	2		
D	1		

			approved to do so by the Dean.
F	0	Failing grade.	Unsatisfactory performance. Wrote final examination and completed course requirements.
Other Failing or Temporary Grades			
N	0	Did not write examination or otherwise complete course requirements by the end of term or session. This grade is intended to be final.	

I. Documents

We shall meet weekly to read Roman documents. Twelve weeks will be devoted to Latin epigraphy, six to Roman numismatics, and two each to Greek epigraphy and papyrology.

A. Latin Epigraphy

Each week I'll send images of inscriptions to transcribe and translate. You should also be ready to translate the following:

- i. dedications to gods: ILLRP 122; ILS 91; ILS 92; ILS 3001
- ii. building inscriptions: ILLRP 598; ILS 208; ILS 213; ILS 2927
- iii. honorific inscriptions: ILLRP 364; AE 1952.165; ILS 216; ILS 294
- iv. funerary inscriptions: ILLRP 310; ILLRP 314; ILS 886; ILS 915
- v. calendar, acta, oath: FOst. 14-38 CE; Comm.fr.arv. 38 CE; ILS 190
- vi. Res Gestae Divi Augusti
- vii. edicts: ILLRP 514; AE 2006.624; AE 1999.915; SEG 26.1392
- viii. judicial decisions: CIL I(2) 2951a; FIRA 1.75; FIRA 3.165
- ix. public contracts: ILLRP 518; AE 2004.421
- x. SC, lex: ILLRP 511; ILS 244
- xi. TPSulp: 1, 31, 51, 83
- xii. dossier of Cominius Abascantus: AE 2000, 343-5

Collections of inscriptions, reference works, and additional readings:

ILS=Dessau, H. 1892-1916. *Inscriptiones Latinae Selectae*.

EAGLE: Epigraphic Database Roma. <http://www.edr-edr.it/Italiano/index_it.php> Rome and Italy, edited texts, incomplete.
Heidelberg. <<http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/institute/sonst/adw/edh/index.html.en>> Empire, edited texts, incomplete.

Epigraphik-Datenbank Claus/Slaby. <http://oracle-vm.ku-eichstaett.de:8888/epigr/epigraphik_en>

Abbreviations in Latin Inscriptions.
<<http://www.case.edu/artsci/clsc/asgle/abbrev/latin/>>

Bengtson, H. 1970. Introduction to ancient history. Berkeley: University of California Press. Ch. 6.

Bodel, J. 2001. Epigraphic evidence. Ancient history from inscriptions. Routledge.

Eck, W. 1984. "Senatorial Self-Representation: Developments in the Augustan Period." In Caesar Augustus: seven aspects, edited by F. Millar and E. Segal . Oxford: OUP.

Millar, F. 2002. "Epigraphy." In Rome, the Greek world, and the East. University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill

Reynolds, J.M. 1996. Epigraphy, Latin. In OCD³

Woolf, G. 1996. "Monumental writing and the expansion of Roman society in the early empire." JRS 86, 22-39.

B. Coins

We'll devote two weeks to Republican coins, two weeks to Imperial coins, and two weeks to provincial coins.

General

American Numismatic Society <<http://numismatics.org/search/Roman>>

Burnett, A.M. 1987. Coinage and the Roman world. London.

Howgego, C.J. 1995. Ancient history from coins. London ; New York: Routledge.

Howgego, C.J. 1990. Why did ancient states strike coins? NC 150:1-25.

xiii-xiv. Republican

Crawford, M.H. 1974. Roman Republican coinage. Cambridge.

Roman Republican coins in the British Museum.

<http://www.britishmuseum.org/system_pages/holding_area/research/trc/roman_republican_coins.aspx>

Meadows, A., and J. Williams. 2001. "Moneta and the monuments: Coinage and politics in republican Rome." The Journal of Roman Studies 91, 27-49.

xv-xvi. Imperial

BMCRE=British Museum Catalogue. 1923-62.

RIC=Roman Imperial Coinage. 1923-94.

Giard, J.-B. 1976-. Catalogue des monnaies de l'empire romain. Paris.

Carson, R.A.G. 1990. Coins of the Roman Empire. 1990.

Metcalf, W.E. 2006. Roman imperial numismatics. In D.S. Potter, ed., A Companion to the Roman empire. 35-44.

xvii-xviii. Provincial (a.k.a. Greek imperial)

Roman Provincial Coinage. London and Paris: British Museum Press and Bibliothèque Nationale. Vol. I (1992): From the death of Caesar to the death of Vitellius (44 BC–AD 69) by A. Burnett, M. Amandry, and P. P. Ripollès. Vol. II: From Vespasian to Domitian (AD 69–96) by A. Burnett, M. Amandry, and I. Carradice.

Roman Provincial Coinage Online. <<http://rpc.ashmus.ox.ac.uk/>> Confined to the Antonine period (AD 138–192).

Butcher, K. 1988. Roman provincial coins. London.

Harl, K.W. 1987. Civic coins and civic politics in the Roman East, AD 180-275. Berkeley

Howgego, C.J., and V. Heuchert, A.M. Burnett. 2005. Coinage and identity in the Roman provinces. Oxford.

Price, M. J. and Trel, B. L. 1977. Coins and their cities. Architecture on the ancient coins of Greece, Rome, and Palestine. London: Vecchi.

C. Greek epigraphy

We'll spend two weeks reading

xix-xx. Rome-Lycia treaty: AE 2005, 1487≈Mitchell S. 2005. 'The treaty between Rome and Lycia of 46 BC (MS 2070)', in R. Pintaudi (ed.), *Papyri graecae schøyen* (PSchøyen I). Florence:163-258.

Packard Searchable Greek Inscriptions.

<<http://epigraphy.packhum.org/inscriptions/>> Reprinted texts, large selection.

McLean, B.H. 2002. *An Introduction to Greek Epigraphy of the Hellenistic and Roman Periods from Alexander the Great Down to the Reign of Constantine* (323 B.C.-A.D. 337). Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Pleket, H.W. 1996. Epigraphy, Greek. In *OCD*(3).

Robert, L. 1961. Les épigraphies et l'épigraphie grecque et romaine. In *Choix d'écrits*. 2007: 87-114.

D. Papyrology

And finally we'll spend two weeks reading:

xxi-xxii. Hilarion to Alis. POxy 744.

Papyri info. <<http://papyri.info/>>. With links to APIS=Advanced Papyrological Information System (bibliography, translations, links to texts) and DDBDP=Duke Databank of Documentary Papyri (edited texts).

Hunt, A.S. and C.C. Edgar. 1932. *Select papyri I-II*. London.

Bagnall, R. 1995. *Reading papyri, writing ancient history*. London.

Montevecchi, O. 1973, 1988. *La papirologia*. Milan.

Turner, E.G. 1980. Greek papyri, an introduction. 2nd ed. Oxford.

II. Essay on the Republic

The Democracy debate. The political character of the Roman Republic
Analyse a particular document or dossier (e.g. a speech of Cicero, a group of Roman coins) through the lens of the debate.

Brunt, P.A. 1988. *The Fall of the Roman Republic and Related Essays*. Oxford; New York: Clarendon Press; Oxford University Press. Esp. chs. 6-9.

Gelzer, M., 1969. *The Roman Nobility*. Oxford: Blackwell.

Hölkeskamp, K. 2000. "The Roman Republic: Government of the people, by the people, for the people? (Fergus Millar, *The Crowd in Rome in the Late Republic*)." *SCI*, 203-23.

Hölkeskamp, K. 2010. *Reconstructing the Roman Republic: An ancient political culture and modern research* (translated by Henry Heitmann-Gordon; revised, updated, and augmented by the author). Princeton/Oxford: Princeton University Press, 2010.

Jehne, M. (ed.). 1996. *Demokratie in Rom? Die Rolle des Volkes in der Politik der römischen Republik*. Stuttgart: Franz Steiner Verlag.

Lintott, A.W. 1987. *Democracy in the Middle Republic*. *ZSS* 104: 34-52.

Lintott, A.W. 1999. *The Constitution of the Roman Republic*. Oxford; New York: Clarendon Press.

Mackay, C.S. 2009. *The Breakdown of the Roman Republic : From Oligarchy to Empire*. Translated by Anonymous New York: Cambridge University Press.

Millar, F. 2002. *Rome, the Greek World, and the East*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press. Chs. 3-8.

Millar, F. 1998. *The Crowd in Rome in the Late Republic*. Ann Arbor 1998.

Morstein-Marx, R. 2004. *Mass Oratory and Political Power in the Late Roman Republic*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Mouritsen, H. 2001. *Plebs and Politics in Late Republican Rome*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Münzer, F. 1999. *Roman Aristocratic Parties and Families*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Nicolet, C. 1980. *The World of the Citizen in Republican Rome*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

North, J.A. "Politics and Aristocracy in the Roman Republic," *CP* 85 (1990) 280.

Wiseman, T. P. *Remembering the Roman People: Essays on Late-Republican Politics and Literature*. Oxford/New York: Oxford University Press, 2009

Yakobson, A. 1999. *Elections and Electioneering in Rome : A Study in the Political System of the Late Republic*. Stuttgart: F. Steiner.

III. Essay on the Principate

Active or passive? The character of Roman imperial governance

What does our evidence tell us and what does it not tell us about the ambitions of the Roman State?

Ando, C. 2000. *Imperial Ideology and Provincial Loyalty in the Roman Empire*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Ando, C. 2006. The Administration of the provinces. In D.S. Potter, ed., *A Companion to the Roman Empire*. 177-92.

de Blois, L. et al. 2000- *Impact of Empire*. Amsterdam

Brunt, P. A. 1975. Did Imperial Rome Disarm Her Subjects? *Phoenix* Vol. 29, No. 3, 260-270

Brunt, P. A. 1981. The Revenues of Rome. Review of *Untersuchungen zu den Direkten Staatsabgaben der Römischen Kaiserzeit (27 V. Chr.--284 N. Chr.)* by Lutz Neesen. *The Journal of Roman Studies* Vol. 71, 161-172

Burton, G.P. 2002. The Roman imperial state (A.D. 14-235) : evidence and reality. *Chiron* 32 : 249-280.

Burton, G. P. 1998. Was there a long-term trend to centralisation of authority in the Roman empire ? *RPh* 72 (1) : 7-24

Levick, B. 2000. *The Government of the Roman Empire : A Sourcebook*. 2nd edn. London ; New York: Routledge.

Lintott, A.W. 1981. What Was the 'Imperium Romanum'? *Greece & Rome Second Series*, Vol. 28, No. 1, pp. 53-67

Lintott, A.W. 1993. *Imperium Romanum : Politics and Administration*. London ; New York: Routledge.

MacMullen, R. 2006. The power of the Roman empire. *Historia* 55 (4) : 471-481

Millar, F. 1984. State and subject: the impact of monarchy. In F. Millar and E. Segal, eds., *Caesar Augustus: Seven Aspects*. Oxford, 37-60.

Millar, F. 1992. *The Emperor in the Roman World (31 BC-AD 337)*. Ithaca, N.Y: Cornell University Press. (see review by Bradley in *Gnomon* 51, 1979, 258-263)

Mitchell, S. 1976. Requisitioned Transport in the Roman Empire: A New Inscription from Pisidia. *The Journal of Roman Studies* Vol. 66, 106-131

Purcell, Nicholas. "The Arts of Government." *Oxford Illustrated History of the Roman World*. Oxford U . Press, 1988. pp. 150-181

Rostovtzeff, M.I. 1957. *The Social and Economic History of the Roman Empire*. 2d ed. rev. by P.M. Fraser edn. Oxford: Clarendon Press.

Woolf, G. 1998. *Becoming Roman: The origins of provincial civilization in Gaul*. Cambridge.

IV. Group project: Lugdunum and Priene. Two cities in the Roman world

An exhaustive study of the evidence (archaeological, literary, documentary) for two cities and their place in the Roman world. For presentation in the departmental seminar on 23 March 2011.

Lugdunum

Decourt, J., and G. Lucas. 1993. *Lyon Dans Les Textes Grecs Et Latins : La Géographie Et l'Histoire De Lugdunum, De La Fondation De La Colonie (43 Avant J.-C.) à l'Occupation Burgonde (460 Après J.-C.)*. Lyon; Paris: F.U.-Maison de l'Orient; Diffusion de Boccard.

Drinkwater, J.F. 1975. "Lugdunum: 'natural capital' of Gaul?" *Britannia* 6, pp. 133-140.

Ferrière, A. 2011. *La Gaule Lyonnaise*. Paris; Darmstadt: Picard; Philipp von Zabern.

Goudineau, C. 1989. *Aux Origines De Lyon*. Lyon: Circonscription des antiquités historiques.

Goudineau, C., A. Rebourg. 1991. *Les Villes Augustéennes De Gaule : Actes Du Colloque International d'Autun, 6, 7 Et 8 Juin 1985*. Autun: Société éduenne des lettres, sciences et arts.

Rougé, J., and R. Turcan. 1978. *Les Martyrs De Lyon (177)*. Paris: Éditions du C.N.R.S.

Walker, S. 1981. *Récents Recherches En Archéologie Gallo-Romaine Et Paléochrétienne Sur Lyon Et Sa Région*. Oxford, England: B.A.R.

Priene

Carter, J.C. 1983. *The Sculpture of the Sanctuary of Athena Polias at Priene*. London: Thames and Hudson.

Deutsches archäologisches Institut. 2006. *Priene. Archäologische Forschungen*. Wiesbaden : Reichert

Edwards, M.B. 2001. *Murder at the Panionic Games*. Chicago, IL: Academy Chicago Publishers.

Ferla, K., F. Graf, and A. Sideris. 2005. *Priene*. 2nd edn. Cambridge, Mass: Harvard University Press.

Hiller von Gaertringen, F., 1906. *Inschriften Von Priene*. Berlin: G. Reimer.

Hoepfner, W., et al. 1986. *Haus Und Stadt Im Klassischen Griechenland*. München: Deutscher Kunstverlag.

Hubbe, R.O. 1950. *Public Service in Miletus and Priene in Hellenistic and Roman Imperial Times*. Diss. Princeton.

von Kienlin, A. 2004. *Die Agora Von Priene*. Diss. München, Techn. Univ. <<http://tumb1.biblio.tu-muenchen.de/publ/diss/ar/2004/kienlin.html>>

King, C.J. 1997. *Public Decrees in Early Hellenistic Samos and Priene a Constitutional History*. Thesis (M.A.)--Dalhousie University 1995

McCabe, D.F., B.D. Ehrman, and R.N. Elliott. 1987. *Priene Inscriptions : Texts and List*. Princeton: Institute for Advanced study.

Péré-Maffre, C. 1997. *Les Décrets Honorifiques à Priène, Étude d'Une Société*. Diss. Bordeaux 3.

Raeder, J. 1984. *Priene, Funde Aus Einer Griechischen Stadt Im Berliner Antikenmuseum*. Berlin: Gebr. Mann.

Rumscheid, F., and W. Koenigs. 1998. *Priene : A Guide to the Pompeii of Asia Minor*. Istanbul: Ege Yayinlari.

Ruppe, U. 2004. *Die Stadtmauer Von Priene*. Frankfurt am Main.

Wycherley, R.E. 1976. *How the Greeks Built Cities*. 2d edn. New York: Norton.

V. General test

Format: two essays, each an in-depth commentary on one or more sources drawn from Lewis and Reinhold 1990.

You should read the two volumes of Lewis and Reinhold 1990, accompanied by a narrative history. The best textbook is now Potter. For more precise details, see Ward-Heichelheim-Yeo 2010; for a broad interpretation see Rostovtzeff 1960. The long article “Rome (history)” in the *OCD*³ is very useful. Brunt 1971 is the best narrative history of the Republic; there is nothing comparable for the Principate, but Wells 1984 is a good survey. For specific themes and recent bibliography see the Cambridge and Blackwell Companions to Roman Republic and Empire. The articles in the *Cambridge Ancient History*² were often already dated when they appeared, but they gather a great deal of information.

Brunt, P.A. 1971. *Social Conflicts in the Roman Republic*. London: Chatto and Windus.

Lewis, N., and M. Reinhold. 1990. *Roman Civilization : Selected Readings*. 3rd edn. Vols 1-2. New York: Columbia University Press.

Potter, D.S. 2009. *Ancient Rome : A New History*. New York: Thames & Hudson.

Rostovtzeff, M.I. 1960. *Rome*. New York, Oxford University Press.

Ward, A.M., F.M. Heichelheim, C.A. Yeo, and J.S. Perry. 2010. *A History of the Roman People*. 5th edn. Boston: Prentice Hall.

Wells, C.M. 1984. *The Roman Empire*. Stanford, Calif: Stanford University Press.