

Instructions for Philological Presentation

The goal of this assignment is to get to know the word you have been assigned in a range of contexts: its meaning in the poem; other uses of the word in Propertius IV; other uses of the word in Propertius; other uses of the word in Augustan poetry; other uses of the word in Latin literature more generally; the relationship of the word to any Greek equivalent. You must email me a copy of this so I can place it on the Moodle site. For your assignment, make a handout for the entire class (if you email it to me the day before I will photocopy it for you) with the following information (feel free to add more, but this is what I expect to see on the handout):

1. Consult the Oxford Latin Dictionary for uses of the word. Is this passage included? What usage best fits this passage? Include some other examples of this usage. Is there a Greek equivalent for your word? What is it?
2. What are other definitions of this word in the O.L.D.? Do they shed any light on how Propertius uses the word here?
3. Consult the concordance to Propertius. Where else does Propertius use the word? In what context? Does it convey a different meaning? How do these passages relate to each other?