

## **Directed Studies Historical & Political Thought**

Fall 2015. Daniela Cammack. Lecture M 11.35-12.25, WHC Auditorium; Class TTh1-2.15pm

**Books** (World Language Center @ Yale Bookstore, 77 Broadway)

Herodotus, *The History*, trans. David Grene (University of Chicago, 1987)

Thucydides, *History of the Peloponnesian War*, trans. Rex Warner (Penguin, 1971)

Plato, *Plato: Complete Works*, ed. John Cooper (Hackett, 1997)

Aristotle, *Politics*, trans. C.D.C. Reeve (Hackett, 1998)

Aristotle, *A New Aristotle Reader*, ed. J. L. Ackrill (Princeton, 1988)

Livy, *The Rise of Rome: Books 1–5*, trans. T.J. Luce (Oxford, 1998)

Polybius, *The Rise of the Roman Empire*, trans. Ian Scott-Kilvert (Penguin, 1980)

Tacitus, *Annals*, trans. Cynthia Damon (Penguin Classics, 2013)

Augustine, *City of God*, trans. Henry Bettenson (Penguin, 2004)

Aquinas, *Treatise on Law*, trans. Richard D. Regan (Hackett, 2000)

Machiavelli, *Selected Political Writings*, trans. David Wootton (Hackett, 1994)

### **Week 1 (Aug 31)**

Thurs: Herodotus, *History*, 1.1-91; 3.27-38, 3.61-89; 7.1-37

Fri: Lecture on Herodotus's *History* (K. Slanski)

### **Week 2 (Sep 7)**

Mon: No Lecture (Labor Day)

Tues: Herodotus 7.38-60, 7.99-105, 7.138-152, 7.172-175, 7.201-239; 8.1-26, 8.50-71, 8.81-103, 8.109-125, 8.140-144.

Thurs: Thucydides, 1.1-1.23 (pp. 35-49); 1.66-1.97 (pp. 72-93); 1.125-1.146 (pp. 108-23).

Fri: PAPER 1 DUE (on Herodotus)

### **Week 3 (Sep 14)**

Mon: Lecture, Thucydides, *History of the Peloponnesian War* (N. Thompson)

Tues: Thuc 2.1-2.65 (pp. 124-64); 3.81-3.84 (pp. 241-45); 5.84-5.116 (pp. 400-8)

Thurs: Thuc 6.6-6.32 (pp. 412-29); 6.47-6.61 (pp. 439-49); 6.89-6.93 (pp. 466-70); 7.50-7.87 (510-537)

### **Week 4 (Sep 21)**

Mon: Lecture, Plato's *Republic* I-IV (B. Garsten)

Tues: *Republic* I

Thurs: *Republic* II-IV

### **Week 5 (Sep 28)**

Mon: Lecture, Plato's *Republic* V-X (S. Smith)

Tues: *Republic* V-VII

Thurs: *Republic* VIII-X

### **Week 6 (Oct 5)**

Mon: Lecture, Aristotle's *Politics & Nichomachean Ethics* (D. Cammack)

Tues: *Nicomachean Ethics*, I.1-3, II.2, X, 9; *Politics*, I.1-6.

Thurs: *Nicomachean Ethics*, V.6-7; *Politics*, II.1-5, 8; III (entire)

**Week 7 (Oct 12)**

Mon: Lecture, Aristotle's *Politics* and *Nicomachean Ethics* (N. Thompson)

Tues: *Nicomachean Ethics*, VI.4-5, 7, 11-13; *Politics*, IV (entire)

Thurs: *Nicomachean Ethics*, IV.3 (photocopy); *Politics*, VII.1-9, 13-15

Fri: PAPER 2 DUE (on Thucydides / Plato / Aristotle)

**Week 8 (Oct 19)**

Mon: Lecture, Polybius, *Rise of the Roman Empire* (S. Semmel)

Tues: Polybius I.1-6; III.1-11, 31-33, 57-59, 77-81; VI (entire); IX.1-2; X.2; XI.19

Thurs: No class, October recess

**Week 9 (Oct 26)**

Mon: Lecture, Livy, *The Rise of Rome* (S. Semmel)

Tues: Livy (author's) Preface; I.1-21, 46-60; II.1-13, 23-40, 54-61; III.44-58, 64-69

Thurs: Livy IV.1-7, 58-61; V

**Week 10 (Nov 2)**

Mon: Lecture, Tacitus's *Annals* (S. Smith)

Tues: Tacitus, *Annals* I.1-14, IV.32-35; XIII.1-28; XIV.1-21; XV.36-39, 44, 47-64

Thurs: Tacitus, *Agricola* (handout)

**Week 11 (Nov 9)**

Mon: Lecture, Augustine, *City of God* (P. Freedman)

Tues: *City of God* I.4, 14-35; II.4-7; IV.3-4; V.1-26; VIII.3-13; XI.1; XII.1-14, 21-23; XIII.21

Thurs: *City of God*, XIV.1-6, 11-28; XV.1-6; XVIII.49-53; XIX (entire)

**Week 12 (Nov 16)**

Mon: Lecture, Alfarabi and Maimonides (P. Freedman)

Tues: Alfarabi, *The Political Regime*, *The Attainment of Happiness* (selections, handout)

Thurs: Maimonides, *Guide of the Perplexed* (selections, handout)

Fri: PAPER 3 DUE (on Polybius / Livy / Tacitus / Augustine / Alfarabi / Maimonides)

**Nov. 21-29: November Recess****Week 13 (Nov 30)**

Mon: Lecture, Aquinas, *Summa theologiae* (C. Hill)

Tues: Aquinas Q90-Q94 (pp. 1-43)

Thurs: Aquinas Q95-Q97 (pp. 44-69)

**Week 14 (Dec 7)**

Mon: Lecture, Machiavelli, *The Prince* and *Discourses on Livy* (I. Nakhimovsky)

Tues: "Letter to Vittori" (pp. 1-4); *The Prince*, Dedicatory Letter and chap. 1-14; *Discourses on Livy*, Dedicatory Letter, Preface to Book 1, 1.1-6, 1.9.

Thurs: *The Prince*, chap. 15-26; *Discourses on Livy*, 1.11-13, 1.16-18, 2.2.

**Final exam:** Thurs Dec 17, 2pm.