

Classical Studies 205: Classical Mythology  
Study Guide for Final Exam  
4 May 2009: 2:00-5:00

The exam will be similar in format, question style, and scope to exams 1 and 2: including multiple choice, myth jeopardy, mythic relevancy, short answer, movie questions, and slide id – the exam will be discussed fully during our final class meeting

The final exam is not cumulative

**SHORT ANSWER:** be able to explain each of the following terms in detail: what it is and why it is significant, and dates where relevant: the following terms will also be used for various questions including multiple choice and myth jeopardy

**Historical Troy:** epos, Milman Perry, literary devices (what literary features characterize epic, including formulae, repeated passages, etc), *in medias res*, epic cycle, *Theogony*, *Titanomachia*, *Oedipodia*, *Thebais*, *Epigonoï*, *Cypria*, *Iliad*, *Aithiopsis*, *Little Iliad*, *Iliu Persis*, *Nostoi*, *Odyssey*, *Telegonia*, Schliemann, Dörpfeld, Evans, Blegan, monochrome grey pottery, Orchomenos, Linear B, Ventris, Hittite Empire, Sea Peoples

**Mythic Causes of the Trojan War:**

House of Atreus: Tantalus, Pelops, Oenomaüs, Hippodamia, Myrtilus, Chrysippus, Atreus, Thyestes, Aerope, Pelopia, Aigisthus, Agamemnon, Menelaus;

House of Tyndareus: Tyndareus, Leda, Helen, Clytemnestra, Castor, Pollux, Tyndareus' oath;

Thetis: her fate, Peleus, Achilles, Strife, judgment of Paris, Hera, Athena, Aphrodite; Aulis

**Trojan War:** Agamemnon, Iphigenia, Philoctetes, Protesilaüs, anger of Achilles, Briseïs, Diomedes, Odysseus, Ajax, Phoenix, Patroclus, Hector, Deiphobus, Priam's embassy to Achilles, Penthesileia, arms of Achilles (Odysseus and the Greater Ajax), Neoptolemus, bow of Heracles, Palladium, Trojan Horse, Sinon, Laocoön, Polites, Cassandra, Astyanax, Polyxena, Aeneas, Anchises, Ascanius, Creusa

**Nostoi (returns):** Nostoi of Diomedes, Idomeneus, Philoctetes, Neoptolemus; fidelity, colonization; Menelaus, Stesichorus' palinode, Agamemnon, Cassandra, Clytemnestra, Aigisthus, Electra, Orestes, Furies, Eumenides

**Odysseus:** Odysseus, *xenia*, Cicones, Lotus Eaters, Polyphemus, Aeolus, Laestrygones, Circe, Hades (Tiresias, Agamemnon, Achilles, Ajax, Anticleia: *mother*), Sirens, Scylla & Charybdis, Cattle of the Sun God, Calypso, Phaeacians (Alcinous, Arete, Nausikaa), Ithaca, Telemachus, Penelope, Argos, Eurycleia: *nurse*, trick of the loom, test of the bow, test of the bed

**Astrology:** be able to cite the myth associated with the major constellations including the 12 signs of the Zodiac, and Aquila, Canis Major, Coma Berenike, Corvus, Cygnus, Draco, Ursa Major, and Ursa Minor

**Alexandrian Romance:** Phaethon, Midas, Baucis & Philemon, Narcissus, Echo, Pyramus & Thisbe, Pygmalion (Edward Coley Burne-Jones), Hero & Leander

**Roman Myth:** Be able to list the major Greek Olympian Gods with their Roman equivalents & **primary Roman** functions, Vesta, Aeneas, Rhea Silvia, Romulus & Remus, Sabine Women, Quirinus, Tarpeia, Lucretia, Verginia, Horatius Cocles, Scaevola, Cloelia, Coriolanus

**SLIDE IDENTIFICATION:**

Be able to identify the major characters and myths discussed in lecture. For further study review the power point lectures on-line:

<http://glirby.people.wm.edu/MythologyWebPage/MythsyllabusSpring09.html>

Bonam Fortunam habeatis!