

2021–2022 Heights Greek Plato Syllabus

2021 Fall • Heights GK 581: Plato

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DESCRIPTION:

Plato stands at the beginning of the Western philosophical tradition like a doric temple against a clear blue sky. Other philosophers came before him, but, as often happens whenever someone has brought an art to a rare culmination, few others are visible to the right or to the left. In this course, we will make a close reading of one of the dialogues of Plato in Greek.

GOALS FOR STUDENT LEARNING:

- To gain the confidence and technical familiarity with the necessary tools to become a lifelong reader of Greek philosophical prose.
- To master the forms and vocabulary used by Plato.

OBJECTIVES:

- To read the entire *Apology* in Greek, and to translate it in class.

TEXTBOOKS:

- *Plato's Apology*. Steadman, Geoffrey.
- A Greek lexicon, preferably Liddell and Scott (either Little Liddell or Middle Liddell).
- A Greek grammar, preferably Smyth.

REQUIREMENTS: The course grade will be based on the following grades:

- **six (6) tests.** These tests are designed to take about 30 minutes. **100 points each.**
 - **the Final Exam** will be the same as the tests. It will simply be about three times longer.
- **ad hoc quizzes** to review morphology, vocabulary, or grammar. **10 points each.**
- **memorization and recitation** of a Greek text. **50 points.**
- students will be expected to come to class prepared to **translate the day's reading assignment (about 20 lines per day)**. Students are urged to remember that their preparation for in-class translation will determine their test grades! **5 points each.**
- above all, **follow the syllabus.** When you go to college, no one will teach you how to follow a syllabus or use the word "homework": you will be expected to be able to do it already.


SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS WILL:

- Study Greek at least **fifteen solid** minutes every day of the week, (that means tunnel vision from 0–15, no distractions, no touching or looking at a phone, not even a bathroom break.
- ask their peers for help!
- seek out the instructor during office hours.
- do not just be on time: get ahead of the syllabus.
- read Greek every day out loud, slowly, and with attention.

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Week 21: 1/24–1/28			
1/24	M	Introductions	
1/25	T	pp. 1–2	
1/26	W	pp. 3–4	
1/27	R	pp. 5–6	
1/28	F	pp. 7–8	HALF DAY: PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
Week 22: 1/31–2/4			
1/31	M	pp. 9–10	
2/1	T	pp. 11–12	
2/2	W	pp. 13–14	
2/3	R	pp. 15–16	
2/4	F	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	
Week 23: 2/7–2/11			
2/7	M	δοκιμασία 1· pp. 1–16	
2/8	T	pp. 17–18	
2/9	W	pp. 19–20	
2/10	R	pp. 21–22	
2/11	F	pp. 23–24	
Week 24: 2/14–2/18			
2/14	M	pp. 25–26	
2/15	T	pp. 27–28	
2/16	W	pp. 29–30	
2/17	R	pp. 31–33	***THREE PAGES TODAY!***
2/18	F		FACULTY WORKSHOP
Week 25: 2/21–2/25			
2/21	M		PRESIDENTS DAY
2/22	T	pp. 34–35	
2/23	W	pp. 36–37	
2/24	R	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	
2/25	F	δοκιμασία 2· pp. 17–37	

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 Week 26: 2/28–3/4: CRESCITE WEEK			
Week 27: 3/7–3/11			
3/7	M	p. 38	**NO PREP GRADE TODAY**
3/8	T	pp. 39–40	
3/9	W	pp. 41–42	
3/10	R	pp. 43–44	
3/11	F	pp. 45–46	
Week 28: 3/14–3/18		National Latin Exam	
3/14	M	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	
3/15	T	δοκιμασία 3· pp. 37–46	
3/16	W	pp. 47–48	
3/17	R	pp. 49–50	
3/18	F	pp. 51–52	
Week 29: 3/21–3/25			
3/21	M	pp. 53–54	
3/22	T	pp. 55–56	
3/23	W	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	END OF THIRD QUARTER
3/24	R	δοκιμασία 4· pp. 45–56	
3/25	F	pp. 57–58	
Week 30: 3/28–4/1			
3/28	M	pp. 59–60	
3/29	T	pp. 61–62	
3/30	W	pp. 63–64	FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE
3/31	R	Recitations	CLASS TRIPS
4/1	F		FACULTY WORKSHOP/PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

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Week 31: 4/4–4/8			
4/4	M	pp. 65–66	
4/5	T	pp. 67–68	
4/6	W	pp. 69–70	
4/7	R	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	
4/8	F	δοκιμασία 5· pp. 55–70	
⊕ Week 32: 4/11–4/15: HOLY WEEK			
4/11	M	pp. 71–72	
4/12	T	pp. 73–74	
4/13	W	pp. 75–76	
4/14	R		HOLY THURSDAY
4/15	F		GOOD FRIDAY
⊕ Week 33: 4/18–4/22			
			EASTER WEEK
Week 34: 4/25–4/29			
4/25	M	pp. 77	**NO PREP GRADE TODAY**
4/26	T	pp. 78–79	
4/27	W	pp. 80–81	
4/28	R	pp. 82–83	
4/29	F	pp. 84–85	
Week 35: 5/2–5/6			
5/2	M	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	AP EXAMS
5/3	T	δοκιμασία 6· pp. 69–85	AP EXAMS
5/4	W	pp. 86–87	AP EXAMS
5/5	R	pp. 88–89	AP EXAMS
5/6	F	pp. 90–91	AP EXAMS

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Week 35: 5/8–5/13			
5/8	S		MOTHERS DAY
5/9	M	pp. 92–93	AP EXAMS
5/10	T	pp. 94–95	AP EXAMS
5/11	W	pp. 96–97	AP EXAMS
5/12	R	pp. 98–99	AP EXAMS
5/13	F	pp. 100–101	AP EXAMS
Week 36: 5/16–5/20			
5/16	M	pp. 102–103	
5/17	T	<i>κίνδυνος!</i>	
5/18	W		JUNIOR/SENIOR FINAL EXAMS
5/19	R		JUNIOR/SENIOR FINAL EXAMS
5/20	F		JUNIOR/SENIOR EXAMS / DAY OF THE TOWER
Week 37: 5/23–5/27			
5/23	M		
5/24	T		
5/25	W		
5/26	R		
5/27	F		FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE EXAMS
Week 38: 5/30–6/2			
5/30	M		MEMORIAL DAY
5/31	T		FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE EXAMS
6/1	W		FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE EXAMS
6/2	R		FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE EXAMS