

**CLA 6930: EPIC (Homer, Vergil) and LOTR**  
Fall 2015; Section 21E2

**INSTRUCTOR:**

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**OFFICE HOURS:** MTW 12:00-1:00

**CLASS TIME:** Thursdays 8:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)

**MEETING PLACE:** AdobeConnect classroom

We'll also use Canvas for asynchronous assignments. Go to <https://lss.at.ufl.edu/>, and click 'e-Learning in Canvas.' You'll see CLA 6930 on your menu. Canvas Student Guide: <https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-4121>

**TECHNOLOGY:** a headset microphone is recommended for class. Your computer's built-in microphone may work OK, but if the sound is bad or has a lot of feedback, you will need to go with the headset microphone. (Cheap ones are available for around \$10 from NewEgg, Best Buy, etc.)

**TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES:** For issues with Canvas or other technical problems, please contact the UF Help Desk at:

- [helpdesk@ufl.edu](mailto:helpdesk@ufl.edu)
- (352) 392-HELP - select option 2
- <https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml>

**TEXTS:**

- electronic course packet with selections from Homer and Vergil
- *The Lord of the Rings*, J.R.R. Tolkien (any edition)
- a good Latin dictionary
- a good Latin grammar (such as Allen and Greenough)
- *A Lexicon of the Homeric Dialect*, Cunliffe (optional)
- *Homeric Grammar*, Monro (optional)

## **COURSE CONTENT:**

**COURSE GRADE** will be based on the following:

- Class participation and homework: 25%
- article report: 15%
- weekly vocabulary quiz: 10%
- Exams: 30% (Exam 1: 15% Exam 2: 15%) One Latin, one Greek, or both Latin
- Final Project: 20% (research paper, movie, educational game, etc.)

## **GRADING SCALE:**

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
A	93-100%
A-	90-92%
B+	87-89%
B	82-86%
B-	79-81%
C+	76-78%
C	70-75%
C-	67-69%
D+	64-66%
D	59-63%
D-	56-58%
F	55% or Below

**ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Please inform me ahead of time if you will miss or be late to class. Points will be deducted from the participation portion of your grade for more than one unexcused absence or late arrival.

**TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE:)**

AUG 27 - CLASS 1

SEPT 3 - CLASS 2

SEPT 10 - CLASS 3

SEPT 17 - CLASS 4

SEPT 24 - CLASS 5

OCT 1 - CLASS 6

OCT 8 - CLASS 7 [EXAM 1 THIS WEEK] (conference)

OCT 15 - CLASS 8

OCT 22 - CLASS 9

OCT 29 - CLASS 10

NOV 5 - CLASS 11

NOV 12 - CLASS 12

NOV 19 - CLASS 13

**NOV 26 - NO CLASS - THANKSGIVING BREAK**

DEC 3 - CLASS 14 [EXAM 2 THIS WEEK]