

Humanities 1A: Fall, 2012, Semester Plan: Lectures and Reading Assignments

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Please note that this schedule is subject to change. Students will be notified if changes occur, both in class, and electronically through MySJSU, if needed.

Table 1 Seminar Sections

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Table 2 Course Schedule

Lecture	Date	Topics, Readings, and Assignments
1 CR	Thursday 23 August	<p>General Introduction to the Course; Arts, Pre-history, and the Arts and Culture of West Asia and North Africa</p> <p>Read: <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 1: pages 1-47. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i>, volume A: <i>Epic of Gilgamesh</i>, pages 95-120.</p> <p>Oral Communication Semester Assignment: Humanities 1A Reader: Hinerman, <i>Handbook for Public Speaking</i>; Humanities 1A Speech Assignment: Handout.</p>
2 DM	Tuesday 28 August	<p>“History Begins at Sumer”: Sumerian and Semitic Cultures of West Asia</p> <p>Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i>, volume A: <i>Epic of Gilgamesh</i>, pages 120-151. <i>Hebrew Bible</i>, pages 158-174. <i>They Say, I Say</i>: pages 1-15. <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i>: “Reading Strategies” pages 63-64.</p>
3 AF	Thursday 30 August	<p>North Africa: Egyptian History, Culture, and Arts</p> <p>Read: <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 1: pages 48-79. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i>, volume A: “Akhenaten’s Hymn to the Sun” pages 29-33; “Shipwrecked Sailor,” pages 911-917. Humanities 1A Reader: “Expulsion of the Hyksos,” “Battle of Megiddo,” “War against the Sea People,” selection from <i>Book of the Dead</i>.</p>
4 DM	Tuesday 4 September	<p>Hebrew Culture and its Influence on the Development of Social Institutions</p> <p>Read: <i>The Bible</i>: Genesis, Chapters 37-48; Exodus, Chapters 1-7; 10-12; 13 (v. 17)-15. Chapters 19-21; Ruth, Chapters 1-4. Humanities 1A Reader: “Accounts of the Campaign of Sennacherib,” “Decree of the Return of the Jews.” <i>They Say, I Say</i>, pages 19-29. <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i>: “Writing Contexts” pages 2-4.</p>

Lecture	Date	Topics, Readings, and Assignments
5 AW	Thursday 6 September	Ancient Chinese Arts and Culture Read: <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 3: pages 328-343. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Homer, Introduction, pages 222-229; <i>The Iliad</i> , Books I, XVIII, and XXII. <i>They Say, I Say</i> : pages 30-41.
6 CR	Tuesday 11 September	Aegean Art and Culture Read: <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 1: pages 80-99. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Homer, <i>The Odyssey</i> , Books I-III, V. <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i> : “Generating Ideas” page 6.
7 AW	Thursday 13 September	Homer’s Epic Vision Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Homer, <i>The Odyssey</i> , Books. IX-XI, XVI-XVII, XIX.
8 AF	Tuesday 18 September	Heroic Literatures in Cross-Cultural Perspective Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Homer, <i>The Odyssey</i> , Books. XXI-XXIV; The Mahabharata (excerpts), pages 1234-1250, 1268-1274. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume C: <i>Popul Vuh</i> (excerpt), pages 520-526. Humanities 1A Reader: The Ramayana (excerpt, Rama and the bow). <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i> : “Tentative Theses” page 7.
9 DM	Thursday 20 September	South Asian Civilization: Art and Literature Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: <i>The Ramayana</i> (excerpts), pages 1170-1176, 1226-1234. <i>Bhagavad-Gita</i> (excerpts), pages 1282-1301; <i>The Jataka</i> , pages 1301-1309. <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 3: pages 290-319. <i>They Say, I Say</i> : pages 42-51. <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i> : “Paragraphs” pages 14-16.
10 CR	Tuesday 25 September	Early Greek Art Read: <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 1: pages xiii-xxx, 100-119. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Aeschylus, <i>The Oresteia: Agamemnon</i> , pages 644-665 (line 359). <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i> : “Developing Main Points” pages 16-22.
11 AF	Thursday 27 September	Athenian Drama, and Social Values in Classical Greece Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Aeschylus, <i>The Oresteia: Agamemnon</i> , pages 665-701. <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i> : “Drafting” page 8.
12 AF	Tuesday 2 October	Religion and Tragedy in the Ancient Mediterranean Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Sophocles (Introduction), pages 701-707; Sophocles, <i>Antigone</i> , pages 747-783; Aristotle, <i>Poetics</i> , pages 1149-1153. <i>They Say, I Say</i> : pages 55-67.
13 AW	Thursday 4 October	Greek Rhetoric Read: <i>Philosophical Classics</i> : Plato, <i>Euthyphro</i> , pages 8-20. Being Logical : pages 25-44. Humanities 1A Reader : Kennedy, <i>A New History of Classical Rhetoric</i> (Introduction: The Nature of Rhetoric); Aristotle, <i>Art of Rhetoric</i> (Book I, Chapters 1-3). <i>The Little Seagull Handbook</i> : “Revising” pages 10-13.
14 AW	Tuesday 9 October	The Other: Slaves and Women in Ancient Cultures Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Euripides, <i>Medea</i> , pages 786-825. Humanities 1A Reader : Plato, <i>Menexenus</i> . <i>They Say, I Say</i> : pages 68-77.

15 CR	Thursday 11 October	Arts of Classical Greece and the Hellenistic World Read: <i>Art History, Portable</i> volume 1: pages 119-157. MIDTERM EXAM in Seminar
16 AF	Tuesday 16 October	Social Conflict and Reform in Ancient Greece Read: Thucydides, <i>History of the Peloponnesian War</i> : Book I, Chapters 1-23, 139-146; Book II, Chapters 34-66; Book V, Chapters 84-116; Book VI, Chapters 8-27; Book VII, Chapters 78-87. Humanities 1A Reader: Herodotus, <i>The Persian Wars</i> (excerpts); Aristotle, <i>Politics</i> (excerpts: Book 1, Chapters 4-5). They Say, I Say: pages 78-91. The Little Seagull Handbook: “Textual Analysis” pages 39-41.
17 DM	Thursday 18 October	Wisdom Literatures in Cross-Cultural Perspective: Hebrew, Egyptian, Chinese, Aztec Read: <i>The Bible</i> : Proverbs, Chapters 8 (verses 1-21), 26, 31 (verses 10-31); <i>Ecclesiastes</i> , Chapters 1-4; Job, Chapters 1-13, 38-42. Norton Anthology of World Literature , volume A: Aesop, Fables, pages 627-633; Confucius, <i>Analects</i> , pages 1334-1338. Being Logical: pages 47-62. Humanities 1A Reader: <i>Precepts of Ptah-Hotep</i> (excerpts).
18 AW	Tuesday 23 October	Origins of Philosophy and Deductive Thought Read: <i>Philosophic Classics</i> : Socrates/Plato (Introduction), pages 1-7; Plato, <i>Apology and Crito</i> , pages 21-46.
19 CR	Thursday 25 October	Plato and the Role of Philosophical Idealism in Politics Read: <i>Philosophic Classics</i> : Plato, <i>Republic</i> (excerpts), pages 59-65, 78-97, 98-105, 110-124. Being Logical: pages 62-88.
20 DM	Tuesday 30 October	Sexuality and Gender in Antiquity Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Aristophanes, <i>Lysistrata</i> , pages 823-862; Plato, <i>Symposium</i> , pages 875-877, 881-883, 887-907. They Say, I Say: pages 92-101. The Little Seagull Handbook: “Literary Analysis” pages 50-53.
21 CR	Thursday 1 November	Aristotle’s Philosophy and the Critical Role of Practical Deliberation Read: <i>Philosophic Classics</i> : Aristotle (Introduction), pages 125-128; Aristotle, <i>Physics</i> , pages 129-134; <i>Metaphysics</i> , pages 146-154; <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> , pages 164-171, 176-191, 198-209. They Say, I Say: pages 105-120.
22 AW	Tuesday 6 November	Non-European Rhetoric Read: <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Han Feizi <i>The Difficulties of Persuasion</i> (excerpts) pages 1427-1430. Humanities 1A Reader: Confucius <i>Analects</i> , parts 12-14; Ban Zhao (Pan Chao), <i>Lessons for a Woman</i> .
23 AF	Thursday 8 November	Greek and Chinese Politics and Society Read: Humanities 1A Reader: Mencius, Book One, Part A; Mo Tzu, <i>Honoring the Worthy</i> , pages 18-33, and <i>Against Fatalism</i> , pages 117-123; Hsun Tzu, <i>The Regulations of a King</i> , pages 33-55; Han Fei Tzu, <i>The Way of the Ruler</i> , pages 16-20 and <i>Wielding Power</i> , pages 35-43.
24 DM	Tuesday 13 November	Ancient Poets in Their Cultural Contexts Read: <i>The Bible</i> : Song of Solomon. Norton Anthology of World Literature , volume A: Egyptian Love Poems, pages 76-81; Sappho, pages 635-643; Catullus, pages 942-947; <i>Classic of Poetry</i> , pages 1323-1330. Humanities 1A Reader: Olcott, “Ancient Lyric Poetry and Poets.”

25 DM	Thursday 15 November	Cultures of the Central Mediterranean & Beginnings of Roman Dominance Read: Humanities 1A Reader: Polybius, <i>Histories</i> (excerpts). Livy, <i>History</i> (excerpts). <i>They Say, I Say:</i> pages 121-128.
26 AW	Tuesday 20 November	Republican Rome, Roman Rhetoric and the Role of Women in the Hellenistic and Roman World Read: Humanities 1A Reader: Cicero, <i>First Speech Against Catiline</i> ; Caesar, <i>On the Conspiracy of Catiline</i> .
	Thursday 22 November	Thanksgiving – No Class
27 CR	Tuesday 27 November	Roman Art: Aesthetic, Propaganda, and Dominance Read: Art History, Portable volume 1: pages 158-215. <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Virgil, <i>The Aeneid</i> Book I, pages 960-985. <i>They Say, I Say:</i> pages 129-138.
28 AF	Thursday 29 November	Roman Epic and the Political Role of Literature Read: Norton Anthology of World Literature , volume A: Virgil, <i>The Aeneid</i> (excerpts from Books. II, VIII, XII), pages 985-1007, 1027-1029 (lines 1-85), pages 1038-1040 (lines 435-535), pages 1042-1048 (lines 615-858) and pages 1068-1072 (lines 915-1113) [Comparative perspective:] <i>Norton Anthology of World Literature</i> , volume A: Homer, <i>The Iliad</i> (excerpt from Book XVIII), pages 284-299.
29 CR	Tuesday 4 December	Roman Philosophy and its Influence on Legal and Political Reform Read: Philosophic Classics: Epictetus, <i>Encheiridion</i> , pages 239-251. Humanities 1A Reader: Marcus Aurelius, <i>Meditations</i> (excerpts)
30 DM	Thursday 6 December	Imperial Literature: Social Criticism and the Poet as Exile Read: Norton Anthology of World Literature , volume A: Ovid, <i>Metamorphoses</i> , pages 1076-1089, 1104-1115. Humanities 1A Reader: Juvenal, <i>Third Satire</i> ; Martial, <i>Epigrams</i> (excerpts); Ovid, <i>Metamorphoses</i> (excerpts), <i>The Art of Love</i> (excerpts); Vatsyayana, <i>Kama Sutra</i> (excerpts).
Final Seminar Exam	Monday 17 December	In seminar class, 9:45 AM -12:00 PM (bring exam booklets)
Final Lecture Exam	Tuesday 18 December	Washington Square Hall (WSQ) 109, 7:15-9:30 AM

TEXTS:

[Humanities 1A Reader](http://www.sjsu.edu/people/cynthia.rostankowski/courses/1A/Humanities%201A%20Reader), [http://www.sjsu.edu/people/cynthia.rostankowski/courses/1A/](http://www.sjsu.edu/people/cynthia.rostankowski/courses/1A/Humanities%201A%20Reader)

- *Puchner, M. et al, *The Norton Anthology of World Literature*, 3rd ed., Volumes A, B, C; New York: Norton, 2012. ISBN 978-0-393-93365-9

- *Graff, Gerald, et al, *They Say, I Say*, 2nd ed., New York: Norton, 2009. ISBN 9780393933611

- *Bullock, Richard, Francine Weinberg, *The Little Seagull Handbook*, New York: Norton, 2011. ISBN 9780393911510

ISBN 978-0-393-91559-4 (for the SJSU bundle)

*Baird, Forrest. E. *Philosophic Classics: From Plato to Derrida*, 6th edition. (Prentice Hall). ISBN 9780205783861

*McInerney, D.Q. *Being Logical: A Guide to Good Thinking*, Random House Trade Paperbacks, 2005. ISBN 9780812971156

Thucydides, *History of the Peloponnesian War*, trans. R. Warner (Penguin). ISBN 0140440399

**The New Oxford Annotated Bible, New Revised Standard, College Edition*
Michael D. Coogan et al. 4th ed. New York: Oxford UP, 2010. ISBN 0195289595

*Stokstad, Marilyn and Michael W. Cothren, *Art History Portable* in six volumes, 4th ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson / Prentice Hall, 2010. (Art History Portable Edition). ISBN 9780205004607

<p>*Books marked with an asterisk (*) will be used in subsequent semesters. Please retain them.*</p>
