**LS 201 – Winter 2019**

**Professor Levecq**

**Assignment for Paper 1**

- This paper is about the “Humanities” part of the class. In it, you need to do a literary analysis of a text. So remember: the paper is not about culture or society in general; you need to stay focused on the text you have chosen, and on what you think the author is saying through this text.

- Your audience is a fairly intelligent reader who has read the work you are analyzing.

- Write a paper, at least 5 paragraphs, and at least 4 but not more than 5 pages long, that presents and develops an interesting thesis addressing ONE of the following concepts in ONE of the following works. The broad question you need to ask is the following: what is the author saying/implying about this particular concept in this particular work?

Concepts:

- individualism

- love/friendship

- morality

- public and private spheres

Works:

- *Gilgamesh*

- *Suppliant Women*

- “Boule de Suif”

- “Life in the Iron Mills”

**Requirements**

**- Paper proposal** is due by email by Friday, 1 February, 8:00 pm.

- Besides handing in a hard copy, make sure you put your paper as a Word document **on Blackboard**. Please do not attach any comments to the essay as I don’t check them systematically.

- After you get the proposal back, read the **Writing Advice** handout carefully before you start writing.

- There will be a **peer review** session for this paper. In order to get credit for the peer review, you need to fulfill the following requirements: arrive on time with two copies of a complete draft, and participate in the session.

**Drafts**

- Do not hesitate to seek my advice, either in person or by email.

- I'm also willing to read drafts. If you’d like me to read a draft, send it to me by 8:00 pm the night before a day we have class, and I will return it to you in class. If you'd like to meet with me, come to my office hours, or make an appointment.

- I will not read drafts after Sunday, 3 February, 8:00 pm.

**Rules**

Papers should be handed in at the beginning of class on the day they are due. If for some valid reason you cannot hand in your paper on time, contact me in advance and we'll arrange a new deadline. If you don’t meet that deadline, the paper will be downgrad