

Greek 101: Elementary Greek I
Syllabus
Fall semester 2015
Oxford College

Class meets: 9:30 – 10:35 am, MWF, Pierce Hall 206

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Office hours: 8:45 – 9:30 am, MWF, and by appointment
Office location: TBA

Description:

This course begins a two-semester introduction to the ancient Greek language. At the end of the second semester, diligent students will have learned the fundamentals necessary for reading and translating unedited Attic Greek prose and poetry with accuracy, confidence and enjoyment. The course will also prepare students to read other Greek dialects, such as Homeric and the *koine* of the New Testament. Lastly, readings and brief discussions will provide students the opportunity to discover various aspects of ancient Greek history and culture.

Prerequisite: None.

Required text (available at the Oxford College bookstore):

Greek: An Intensive Course
2nd Revised Edition Paperback, 1992
Hardy Hansen, Gerald Quinn
ISBN-13: 978-0823216635
ISBN-10: 0823216632

Grading requirements and percentages:

Attendance, participation and homework:	10%
Vocabulary quiz average:	15%
Unit quiz average:	20%
Midterm:	25%
Final exam:	30%

Attendance at each session is **required** and will be noted.

Missing class during a test: Except in the case of a demonstrated emergency or illness (official documentation will be required), students **may not** take quizzes or exams either before or after the scheduled time and date.

Punctuality is expected out of respect to others. If you are late to an exam or quiz, you **do not** get extra time to finish.

Participation **will count** towards the final grade. Participation involves, for instance, asking and answering questions about the text, offering to translate, and discussing interpretive issues.

N.B.:* students should translate in class directly from the Greek text **and not read aloud their own English translation. Consulting notes in doing so is perfectly acceptable. Neglecting to translate from the Greek **will negatively affect** your participation grade.

Homework will be corrected during class on most days. The instructor will then collect it at the end of class, review it, and return it on the following class day. Making the necessary corrections in class is part of each homework assignment.

Quizzes: A unit quiz will be held upon the completion of each unit. A vocabulary quiz will be held halfway through each unit. **The passages and questions** on quizzes and exams likely will be based on the H&Q assignments, so be sure to raise questions and review corrections to your homework.

The midterm will be cumulative and held in class on Wednesday, October 14.

The final exam will be cumulative and held on Thursday, December 10, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm.

Final grades: This should go without saying, but final grades are final—i.e., they are NOT negotiable.

Disclaimer: It is likely that the instructor will not make any effort to remind students of any of the rules and responsibilities outlined above. The syllabus and schedule below is subject to modification, in which case, changes will be announced in class or via e-mail.