

HACETTEPE UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF LETTERS
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Course :IED 141(02) Mythology
Instructor :Prof Dr Burçin Erol
Year /Term :2014-2015 Fall
Class Hours: Thursday 9:00-11:50
Classroom :B2/ 205

Aim of the course is to acquaint the students with the basic concepts related to mythology and to provide them with a survey of Classical Mythology which is essential for a better understanding , appreciation and interpretation of Western literatures ,culture and art.

Course outline

Week I & II Nature of mythology and myth and the related genre
Week III Pre-hellenic civilization and mythology
Week IV Nature of classical mythology and gods
Week V Creation myths
Week VI Olympian pantheon
Week VII &VII Divinities of Heaven **Midterm I**
Week IX Divinities of Earth
Week X Divinities of Waters and Seas
Week XI Divinities of the Underworld
Week XII **Midterm II**
Week XIII Heroes

Textbooks

Edith Hamilton *Mythology*

Colette Estin and Helene Laporte *Yunan ve Roma Mitolojisi* TUBİTAK Yay.

The course covers much material not included in the book, however, it is essential that the students have a copy of the text as a basic reference text.

Roberto Carvalho de Magalhaes's *Antikçağ'dan günümüze sanatta Mitoloji* is an excellent visual source and *Mitoloji* NTV yayınları is very helpful but it is optional to purchase them.

Method of instruction

The course material will be covered in class through discussions and in the form of lectures. The material will be illustrated with slides and videos, the students will also be responsible for these materials in exams. Fridays the video club will be showing videos related to the course subjects and attendance is compulsory for these specified films.

Requirements

The students are expected to take notes as the textbook does not include all the material to be covered. It is essential for the students to make use of internet sources to supplement the visual material revision. Attendance is of utmost importance and the students who miss more than 10 class hours will receive "F1" and will repeat the course next year.

Assessment

There will be two midterms and a final examination . In the examinations students are expected to identify slides and be in full command of the terminology and vocabulary covered in class and up to 25% of the total mark will be taken off for incorrect use of English. It is necessary to get 50 pts from the final exam.

Midterms	50%
Final	50%

The students may be asked to do class presentations or submit a short paper on assigned topics.

Supplementary reading

There is a rich collection of books on mythology at Beytepe library and the students are expected to make use of them. A few of the titles for quick reference are as follows:

—	<i>Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology</i>
—	<i>Larousse Encyclopedia of World Mythology</i>
Edward Barthel	<i>Gods and Goddesses of Ancient Greece</i>
Thomas Bulfinch	<i>Bulfinch's Mythology (Old and new editions)</i>
Robert Graves	<i>Greek Myths</i>
W K C Guthrui	<i>The Greeks and Their Gods</i>
HJD Rose	<i>A Handbook of Greek Mythology</i>
GS Kirk	<i>The Nature of Greek Myths</i>

