

THE HISTORY OF ROME: FROM GREATNESS TO RUINS
Spring Semester 2005

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WEEK ONE

January 10 Introduction
January 12 Etruscan Supremacy
January 14 Magna Grecia

WEEK TWO

January 17 HOLIDAY – NO CLASS
January 19 The Beginnings of Rome
January 21 Conflict of the Orders
Read: Shotter, Introduction & Chapter 1

WEEK THREE

January 24 Imperialism
Read: Shotter, Chapter 2
January 26 First Punic War
January 28 Unification of Italy

WEEK FOUR

January 31 Roman Society in the Second Century
February 2 Second Punic War and Hannibal
February 4 The Roman Revolution: The Gracchi
Read: Shotter, Chapter 3

WEEK NINE

March 7 Julio-Claudians: Part II (continued)
Read: Boren, Chapter 10

March 9 Paganism and Judaism

March 11 Early Christianity

WEEK TEN

March 14 SECOND EXAM

March 16 The Roman World

March 18 The Five Good Emperors
Read: Boren, Chapter 11

WEEK ELEVEN

March 21 – 25 SPRING BREAK

WEEK TWELVE

March 28 The Five Good Emperors: Part II

March 30 The Golden Age
Read: Boren, Chapter 12

April 1 Roman Daily Life

WEEK THIRTEEN

April 4 The Provinces I
Read: Starr, Chapter IV, V & VI

April 6 Roman Science

April 8 The Infamous Commodus

WEEK FOURTEEN

April 11 Septimius the Savior?
Read: Boren, Chapter 13

April 13 Rome and the East

April 15 Elagabalus and Severus

WEEK FIFTEEN

April 18 The Imperial Crisis
Read: Starr, Chapter VII
PAPERS DUE

April 20 Constantine the Great
Read: Starr, Chapter VIII

April 22 Heresy

WEEK SIXTEEN

April 25 The “Fall”
Read: Boren, Chapter 14
Nardo, Introduction & Chapter 1-2

April 27 It’s Still Falling
Read: Nardo, Chapters 3 & 4

April 29 The East Endures/Conclusions
Read: Nardo, Chapter 5

Required Books for the Course

Boren, Henry C.	<u>Roman Society: A Social, Economic and Cultural History</u>
Nardo, Don	<u>The Fall of the Roman Empire</u>
Shotter, David	<u>The Fall of the Roman Republic</u>
Starr, Chester	<u>The Roman Empire, 27 B.C. – A.D. 476</u>

Grade Breakdown

Exam One	20%
Exam Two	20%
Paper	25%
Class Participation/Attendance*	5%
Final Exam	30%

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*Attendance policy: If there are more than 4 unexcused absences, the course grade will be dropped by one letter grade (for letter grade) or an unsatisfactory grade will be assigned (for pass/fail).