

Peer Instructors

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Class Meetings

Mondays — 4:05 - 4:55 pm (9th period) | Location: Little Hall 117

Text

I, Claudius by Robert Graves (any edition works)

Course Objectives

As part of the learning entailed in this course, students will:

- Understand and interpret Robert Graves' perspective on history in *I, Claudius*
- Evaluate the efficacy of the Roman Republic and Empire as forms of government using primary sources and modern interpretations
- Inspect the role of truth in historiography and literature by considering alternative interpretations of passages
- Connect the unreliability of ancient sources to modern issues of misinformation

Week	Date	Chapters (with pages)
1	August 25th	Introduction
<i>Labor Day — No Class</i>		
2	September 8th	Chapters 1-3 (42)
3	September 15th	Chapters 4-6 (46)

4	September 22nd	Chapters 7-10 (45)
5	September 29th	Chapters 11-13 (50)
6	October 6th	Chapters 14-17 (52)
7	October 13th	Chapters 18-20 (42)
8	October 20th	Chapters 21-23 (42)
9	October 27th	Chapters 24-27 (48)
10	November 3rd	Chapters 28-30 (45)
11	November 10th	Chapters 31-34 (52)
12	November 17th	BBC's <i>I, Claudius</i> : Episode 1
<i>Thanksgiving Break — No Class</i>		
13	December 1st	BBC's <i>I, Claudius</i> : Episode 2

Points and Assignments

60% Attendance

15% Final Project

15% Discussion Prompts

10% Class Discussion Questions

Grading Scale

91-100 (A); 88-90 (A-); 86-87 (B+); 82-85 (B); 80-81 (B-); 77-79(C+);
73-76 (C); 70-72 (C-); 67-69 (D+); 63-66 (D); 60-62 (D-); 59-0 (E)

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Online Course Evaluation Process

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/>

UF Honesty Pledge

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Honor Code

(<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honorcode/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor in this class.

In Class Recording

Students are allowed to record video or audio of class lectures. However, the purposes for which these recordings may be used are strictly controlled. The only allowable purposes are (1) for personal educational use, (2) in connection with a complaint to the university, or (3) as evidence in, or in preparation for, a criminal or civil proceeding. All other purposes are prohibited. Specifically, students may not publish recorded lectures without the written consent of the instructor. A “class lecture” is an educational presentation intended to inform or teach enrolled students about a particular subject, including any instructor-led discussions that form part of the presentation, and delivered by any instructor hired or appointed by the University, or by a guest instructor, as part of a University of Florida course. A class lecture does not include lab sessions, student presentations, clinical presentations such as patient history, academic exercises involving solely student participation, assessments (quizzes, tests, exams), field trips, private conversations between students in the class or between a student and the faculty or lecturer during a class session. Publication without permission of the instructor is prohibited. To “publish” means to share, transmit, circulate, distribute, or provide access to a recording, regardless of format or medium, to another person (or persons), including but not limited to another student within the same class section. Additionally, a recording, or transcript of a recording, is considered published if it is posted on or

uploaded to, in whole or in part, any media platform, including but not limited to social media, book, magazine, newspaper, leaflet, or third party note/tutoring services. A student who publishes a recording without written consent may be subject to a civil cause of action instituted by a person injured by the publication and/or discipline under UF Regulation 4.040 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code.

Campus Resources

- Health and Wellness
 - U Matter, We Care: If you or someone you know is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu, 352-392-1575, or visit U Matter, We Care website to refer or report a concern and a team member will reach out to the student in distress.
 - Counseling and Wellness Center: Visit the Counseling and Wellness Center website or call 352-392- 1575 for information on crisis services as well as non-crisis services.
 - Student Health Care Center: Call 352-392-1161 for 24/7 information to help you find the care you need, or visit the Student Health Care Center website.
 - University Police Department: Visit UF Police Department website or call 352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies). UF Health Shands Emergency Room / Trauma Center: For immediate medical care call 352-733-0111 or go to the emergency room at 1515 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608; Visit the UF Health Emergency Room and Trauma Center website.
 - GatorWell Health Promotion Services: For prevention services focused on optimal wellbeing, including Wellness Coaching for Academic Success, visit the GatorWell website or call 352-273- 4450.
- Academic Resources
 - E-learning technical support: Contact the UF Computing Help Desk at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at helpdesk@ufl.edu.
 - Career Connections Center: Reitz Union Suite 1300, 352-392- 1601. Career assistance and counseling services. Library Support: Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources. Call 866-281-6309 or email ask@ufl.libanswers.com for more information.
 - Teaching Center: 1317 Turlington Hall, 352-392-2010 or to make an appointment 352- 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.
 - Writing Studio: Daytime (9:30am-3:30pm): 2215 Turlington Hall, 352-846-1138 | Evening (5:00pm-7:00pm): 1545 W University Avenue (Library West, Rm. 339). Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers.

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- Academic Complaints: Office of the Ombuds; Visit the Complaint Portal webpage for more information. Enrollment Management Complaints (Registrar, Financial Aid, Admissions): View the Student Complaint Procedure webpage for more information.
- Need an Honors advising appointment? Schedule via Microsoft Bookings: <https://bit.ly/ufhonorsadvising>. Quick questions for an Honors advisor? Email advisor@honors.ufl.edu. Honors Program, 201 Walker Hall, 352-392-1519