This course is a chronological continuation of History 303, but the latter is not a prerequisite and no previous knowledge of Greek History is required. The main themes of this course are: (i) the decline of Athens as the flower of Classical Civilization; (ii) the rise of Macedonia; (iii) the conquests of Alexander the Great; (iv) Greek culture, especially in the world created by Alexander's accomplishments. Our readings are mainly drawn from the ancient sources: historical accounts, philosophical tracts, comedy, and various extracts. Emphasis in the course will be on understanding what ancient writers tell us about their history and culture. The course requires a careful reading of the texts, and this approach will be stressed in the examinations.

Lectures: 2/week and one discussion section.

Exams: 6 week, 12 week, and final exams; they will be essay style.

Papers: Four-credit students must write a paper or do some other project. You must have a topic or subject approved by the T.A. or the instructor by March 24. If you cannot think of a topic, it is suggested that you compare and contrast the works of two ancient authors read in this course. Discuss the periods in which they wrote, the literary forms and themes which they adopted and how they reflected and influenced their particular societies. All papers and projects are due May 5.

Very Important: If you register for 4 credits, you MUST do the required written work. If, after having signed up for the fourth credit, you decide that you don't want to complete the written work, you MUST formally drop the credit with the Registrar by the drop day. Otherwise, I must hold you responsible for that credit's work.

Grading: 3-credit students: 30% for both 6 and 12 week exams; 40% for final. Consideration will be given for improvement and for participation in section meetings.

4-credit students: 20% for 6 and 12 week exams and for the paper; 40% for the final. Consideration will be given for improvement and for participation in section meetings.

Books to be purchased
Aristophanes, The Complete Plays of Aristophanes
Arrian, The Campaigns of Alexander
Menander, The Dyskolos
Plato, The Last Days of Socrates
Plutarch, The Age of Alexander
Plutarch, The Rise and Fall of Athens
Thucydides, The Peloponnesian War
F.W. Walbank, The Hellenistic World
Reader for 304: available at Kinko's
Lectures

Jan. 20: Introduction and Geographical Background

Jan. 22: The Greek World to 432
Thucydides I, chapters 1-23, 89-117

Jan. 27: The Peloponnesian War: Archidamus' War, 431-421
Thucydides IV 1-41; V 1-24

Jan. 29: The Peloponnesian War: Folly and Disaster, 415-403
Thucydides VI 1-32; VII 42-87
Plutarch, Alcibiades, 24-39
Plutarch, Lysander, 1-15

Feb. 3: Social Changes during the Peloponnesian War
Thucydides VI 16
Plutarch Cimon 10, 17

Feb. 5: The Welfare State
Aristophanes, The Congresswomen
Reader, 1-17

Feb. 10: Trial of Socrates
Aristophenes, The Clouds
Plato, The Apology

Feb. 12: Platonic Philosophy
Plato, The Phaedo

Feb. 17: Short-lived Empires: Sparta and Thebes
Plutarch, Lysander 16-30
Reader, 18-32

Feb. 19: Rise of Philip II of Macedon
Plutarch, Demosthenes 3-16
Reader, 33-37

Feb. 24: The Victory of Philip
Plutarch, Demosthenes 17-22
Reader, 38-46

Feb. 26: EXAMINATION on all the above

March 3, 5, 10, 12, 24: Alexander the Great
Plutarch, Alexander
Plutarch, Demosthenes 23-31
Arrian, Anabasis
Walbank, 29-45

March 26: Sicily
Plutarch, Dion
Plutarch, Timoleon

March 31: Women in Classical Greece
Aristophanes, The Congresswomen
Reader, 47-69
April 2: Athletes and Athletic Festivals
   Thucydides vi 16
   Reader, 70-96

April 7: Homosexuality
   Thucydides vi 54-59
   Plutarch, Solon 1
   Plutarch, Pelopidas 18-19
   Reader, 97-103

April 9: The Successors of Alexander
   Plutarch, Demetrius
   Walbank, 46-59

April 14: The Three Kingdoms
   Walbank, 60-140

April 16: EXAMINATION of all material March 3-April 14

April 21: Hellenistic Society
   Menander, The Dyskolos
   Walbank, 159-175

April 23: Hellenistic Philosophy and Religion
   Walbank, 176-197, 209-221
   Reader, 104-113

April 28: Jewish Cultural Resistance to Hellenism
   Walbank, 221-226
   Reader, 114-128

April 30: Jewish Military Resistance to Hellenism
   Reader, 129-144

May 5: Roman Involvement: End of Greek Freedom
   Walbank, 227-251
   Reader, 145-152

May 7: To be arranged: perhaps the City of Alexandria