

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
Department of History

Semester II Year 1975-76

| <u>COURSE NO.</u> | <u>COURSE TITLE</u>           | <u>INSTRUCTOR</u> |
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| 304               | History of Greek Civilization | Mr. Edson         |

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The second semester of the year's advanced lecture course covers the Macedonians and the Hellenization of Asia. The course falls into three segments:

1. The Decline of the Free City-State
  - a. old Greece and the Aegean from 403 to 355 B.C.
  - b. the western Greeks of Sicily and south Italy from 405 to 338 B.C.
  - c. the society and culture of the Fourth Century
2. The Rise of Macedonia
  - a. the land and peoples of the Macedonian area
  - b. the origins and development of the Argead Monarchy from c. 700 to 479 B.C.
  - c. Macedonia during the Fifth Century from 479 to 399 B.C.
  - d. the reign of Philip II
  - e. the "Epirotic" peoples and alliance of the Molossians c. 600 to 334 B.C.
  - f. the reign of Alexander the Great
3. The Hellenistic Age, 323-200 B.C.
  - a. Alexander's successors and the development of the Hellenistic state system, 323-270
  - b. Agathocles, Pyrrhus and the collapse of the western Greeks, 321-272
  - c. the great powers, minor states, and the balance of power, 270-200
  - d. economic life
  - e. art and literature
  - f. science
  - g. philosophy

LECTURES

MWF for 3 credits. Mr. Edson will be in his office, 4213 Humanities, on Monday afternoons from 2:00 to 3:30 for conferences with 4-credit students.

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

Three examinations: 6-weeks, 12-weeks and final examination. Students taking the course for 4 credits will write a report at least 3000 words in length.

GRADING SYSTEM

6-weeks exam: 30%; 12-weeks exam: 30%; final exam: 40%

REQUIRED READINGS

To be announced by instructor.