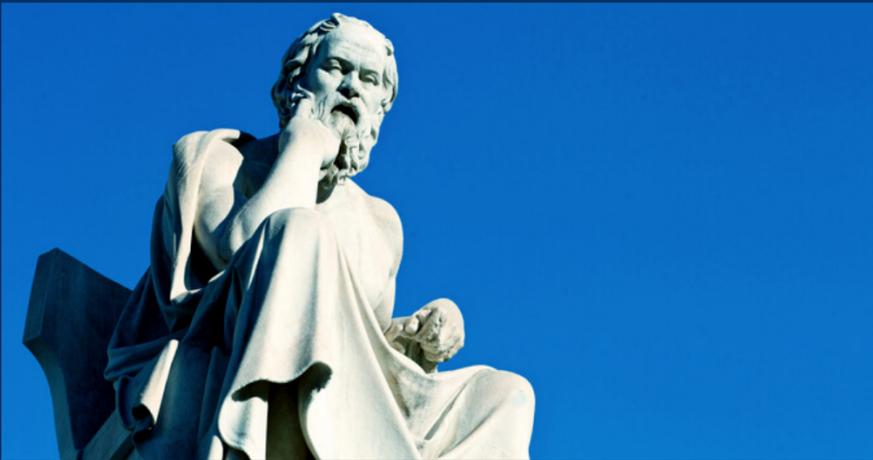


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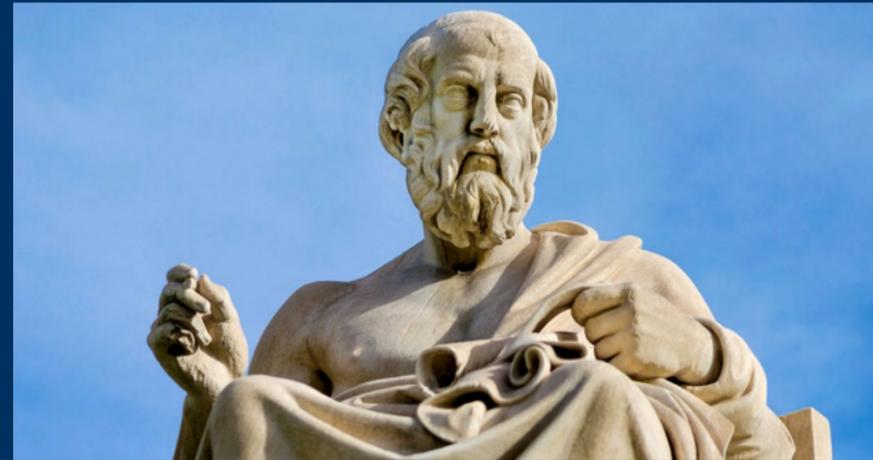
Pre-Socratic Philosophy: Cosmology and the Concept of Nature (φύσις) as the basis of philosophical argumentation
Pythagorean Philosophy: Music, Mathematics and the Cosmos

Pre-Socratic Philosophy II

"All is flux, nothing stays still; there is nothing permanent except change": Heraclitus and the concepts of Logos and Flux
Leucippus and Democritus, modern Physics and Cosmology

Pre-Socratic Philosophy II

Bringing philosophy in the polis: Socrates and the humanistic turn. The Birth of Political Philosophy and the Greek polis-state. Pericles and the Athenian Democracy



Platonic Philosophy I: Platonic Ontology and Metaphysics

The immortality of the Soul: Phaedrus and the Symposium
The seven stages of Eros: Eros as the experience of the divine

Platonic Philosophy II: Cosmology and Education

Plato and the Academy: Ideas and Education. The Concept of 'the Good' in Plato's Republic

Platonic Philosophy III: Politics and Ethics

Plato's classification of political regimes. The Four Cardinal Virtues: Justice, Wisdom, Courage, Prudence



Aristotelian Philosophy I: Logic, Metaphysics and the Natural Sciences

Metaphysics, Logic and Syllogistic Argumentation in Aristotle's Thought
Physics and Biology

Aristotelian Philosophy II: Cosmology and Psychology

Aristotelian Cosmology. The concept of the soul: Aristotle's Psychology in De Anima

Aristotelian Philosophy III: Politics and Ethics

Politics and the types of political constitution. What is Ethics? The importance of Virtue as moderation. Aristotle's Ethics and Business Ethics

Aristotelian Philosophy IV: Poetics, Drama and Performance

The definition and uses of tragedy: An Interactive Seminar

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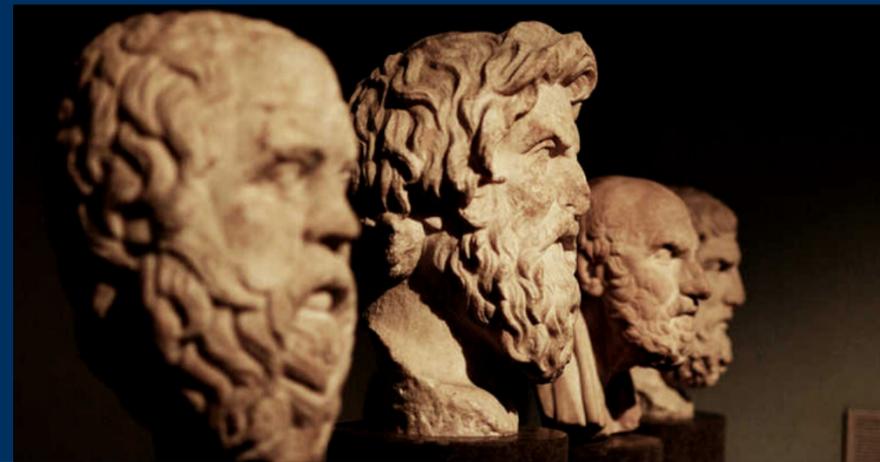


The Hellenistic Period I: The Stoics

The Stoics and Philosophy of Nature. "Man conquers the world by conquering himself": The Stoic way of being

The Hellenistic Period II: Epicurus, Epictetus and Happiness

Epicurus and Happiness as Pleasure. Epictetus and happiness as a self-created inner state



The Neo-Platonic School

Plotinus'. Three Hypostatic Structure of the Universe: Nous, En, Psyche. Proclus and the One. Hypatia: The Great Female Philosopher

The Influence of Ancient Hellenic Philosophy in Modern Times

The Hellenic roots of Christian Thought. The influence of Hellenic Philosophy on Renaissance, Modern and Contemporary Thinkers

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

Students will be assigned materials during the course, mainly excerpts from key ancient Greek philosophical texts, which relate directly to their areas of study. However, the course conveners suggest the following resources as helpful introductory texts.

Wilhelm Nestle & Eduard Zeller, *Outlines of the History of Greek Philosophy*, 13th edition, Dover Publications, 1980

John P. Anton & Anthony Preus, *Essays in Ancient Greek Philosophy Vol. II*, New York: SUNY Press, 1984