

Week Date	Topic <i>Authors</i>	Readings <i>due on date listed</i> [R]: required [O]: optional	Assignments <i>due at the beginning of class</i> <i>on the date listed</i>
Week 1 Aug 30	Introduction <i>n/a</i>	NONE	NONE
Week 2 Sep 06	Greek Myth <i>Hesiod</i>	[R] Hesiod, <i>Theogony</i> (all) [R] Hesiod, <i>Works & Days</i> (lines 58-128) [O] Hesiod, <i>Works & Days</i> (all)	NONE
Week 3 Sep 13	Milesians + Heraclitus <i>Thales</i> <i>Anaximander</i> <i>Anaximenes</i> <i>Heraclitus</i>	[R] Waterfield, <i>The Milesians</i> (pp. 3-20) [R] Waterfield, <i>Heraclitus</i> (pp. 32-48) [O] Hadot, pp. 9-21 [O] Presocratic Philosophy , Heraclitus (SEP)	Reading response #1
Week 4 Sep 20	The problem of change <i>Parmenides</i> <i>Zeno of Elea</i>	[R] Waterfield, <i>Parmenides</i> (pp. 49-68) [R] Waterfield, <i>Zeno of Elea</i> (pp. 69-81) [O] Parmenides , Zeno of Elea , Zeno's Paradoxes (SEP)	Reading response #2 Argument evaluation (optional)
Week 5 Sep 27	After Parmenides <i>Democritus</i> <i>Empedocles</i>	[R] Waterfield, <i>Empedocles</i> (pp. 133-163) [R] Waterfield, <i>The Atomistis</i> (pp. 164-193) [O] Democritus , Empedocles (SEP)	Reading response #3 Argument evaluation #1 hard deadline

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Week 6 Oct 04	Sophists <i>Protagoras</i> <i>Gorgias</i>	[R] Waterfield, <i>Protagoras</i> (pp. 205-221) [R] Waterfield, <i>Gorgias</i> (F1, pp. 228-231) [R] Waterfield, <i>Antiphon</i> (F17-19, pp. 264-266) [O] The Sophists (SEP)	Reading response #4 Argument evaluation (optional)
Week 7 Oct 11	Plato's epistemology <i>Plato</i>	[R] Plato, <i>Meno</i> (selections) [R] Plato, <i>Phaedo</i> (selections) [O] Hadot, pp. 22-51 [O] Plato , Plato's Metaphysics (SEP)	Reading response #5 Argument evaluation #2 hard deadline
Week 8 Oct 18	Plato's cosmology <i>Plato</i>	[R] Plato, <i>Timaeus</i> (selections) [O] Hadot, pp. 55-76 [O] Waterfield, <i>Timaeus</i> introduction (selections) [O] Plato's Timaeus , Plato's Myths (SEP)	Reading response #6 Argument evaluation (optional)
Week 9 Oct 25	Plato's metaphysics <i>Plato</i>	[R] Plato, <i>Parmenides</i> (selections) [O] Gill, introduction to <i>Parmenides</i> (selections) [O] Plato's Parmenides (SEP)	Reading response #7 Argument evaluation #3 hard deadline
Week 10 Nov 1	Aristotle's physics <i>Aristotle</i>	[R] Aristotle, <i>Introductory Readings</i> , pp. 42-62 [O] Hadot, pp. 77-90 [O] Aristotle on Causality , Aristotle (SEP)	Reading response #8 Argument evaluation optional

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Week 11 Nov 8	The principle of non-contradiction <i>Aristotle</i>	[R] Aristotle, <i>Introductory Readings</i> , pp. 128-142 [O] Aristotle on Non-Contradiction (SEP)	Reading response #9 Argument evaluation #4 hard deadline
Week 12 Nov 15	Aristotle's biology <i>Aristotle</i>	[R] Aristotle, <i>The Parts of Animals</i> (selections) [R] Aristotle, <i>Generation of Animals</i> (selections) [O] Aristotle's Biology (SEP)	Paper section #1 (draft) Argument evaluation optional
Week 13 Nov 22	NO CLASS – THANKSGIVING		
Week 14 Nov 29	Epicureans and Stoics <i>Lucretius</i> <i>Epictetus</i>	[R] Epicurus, <i>Letter to Herodotus</i> [R] Lucretius, <i>De Rerum Natura</i> (pp. 30-32, 97-105) [R] <i>The Stoics Reader</i> (selections) [O] Hadot, pp. 91-111, 113-39 [O] Lucretius , Epicurus , Stoicism (SEP)	Paper section #2 (draft) Argument evaluation optional
Week 15 Dec 06	Skepticism <i>Sextus Empiricus</i>	[R] Sextus Empiricus, <i>Outlines of Pyrrhonism</i> (selections) [O] Hadot, pp. 111-13, 142-45 [O] Sextus Empiricus , Ancient Skepticism (SEP)	Paper section #3 (draft) Argument evaluation optional
Week 16 Dec 13	N/A	NO FINAL EXAM	Completed paper due (11:59pm) Argument evaluation optional