

GK310 SECOND YEAR MODERN GREEK

32840 MWF 10-11AM WAG208

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The goal of this course is that you achieve proficiency in Modern Greek and at the same time acquire a general knowledge of Greece's social and cultural life. The course is right for you if you have previous instruction in Modern Greek equivalent to two semesters of academic work. This course along with GK310K (Spring 2010) completes the Modern Greek language series.

The course aims to improve reading, writing and oral comprehension skills, through the study of particular grammatical and syntactical aspects of Modern Greek language, while discussing subjects concerning Modern Greece from the 19th century till today. A textbook and a workbook will be used every week to help cover the grammar and enrich vocabulary through dialogues, listening and writing exercises; in addition, you will be provided with various authentic materials from the media (internet, press etc) cinema, music and literature. History and archaeology of the Greek world are possible subjects to be discussed based on field trip/museum visits to Greek collections and lectures on ancient Greek civilization.

There will be daily assignments, weekly quizzes, a midterm and a final exam. Regular attendance is part of your class work grade. Grades will be assessed as follows:

Home and class work: 30%

Quizzes: 20%

Midterm Exam 20%

Final Exam: 30%

Two books are required for the class. They can be purchased online (Amazon, Biblioagora, Bookfinder4u etc.) or at the Co-Op. Make sure the textbook comes with a CD.

1. Communicate in Greek 3 Textbook, By: Kleanthes Arvanitakes, ISBN-10: 9608464056 ISBN-13: 9789608464056 Publisher: Deltos Pubns - 1996-01
2. Communicate in Greek: Exercise 3. By: Kleanthes Arvanitakes. ISBN-10: 9608464064 ISBN-13: 9789608464063 Publisher: Deltos Pubns - 1997-01

A good lexicon will be one that has both Greek/English and English/Greek. A good one is the Oxford English-Greek Learner's Dictionary by D. N. Stavropoulos, Oxford University Press, Second revised edition, 2000, ISBN: 0194312429. Other suggestive grammars and dictionaries are:

1. Greek: An Essential Grammar of the Modern Language (Routledge Grammars) by David Holton, Routledge, 2003, ISBN: 0415232104
2. 600 Modern Greek Verbs: Fully Conjugated in All the Tenses Alphabetically Arranged by K. Kapre-Karka, Pella Pub Co., Bilingual edition, 1997, ISBN: 0918618649

Other supportive material included but not limited to internet resources, audiovisual material and photographs will be part of our class and related to daily assignments.

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