

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES, Winter 2024

CLAS/ARTH\*3150: Roman  
Art and Urbanism (0.5 credit)  
COURSE OUTLINE

*Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed in the first class of the semester. Please see WebaAdvisor for instructor information and classroom location.*

**Slide/lecture course delivered in-class three days per week.**

The course focusses upon the creation and development of Roman architecture and art from its appearance until the Late Roman period in order to demonstrate the lasting impact of the physical culture of ancient Rome upon later Western Civilization. Two books are used to complement the lectures and slides presented by the instructor.

**Learning outcomes:**

1. students will begin to understand the second culture that helped to formulate Western concepts of form and beauty
2. students will begin to understand the purpose of critical review of material objects within a proper cultural context
3. students will develop some confidence in their ability to evaluate information in a critical manner.

**Students' responsibilities:**

- to read course assignments with care and to fulfill requirements properly
- to participate in class discussions
- to treat everyone in the class community with respect
- to submit assignments when they are due
- to adhere to the University's regulations on academic integrity

**Instructor's responsibilities:**

- to help students meet the course objectives
- to treat everyone in the class community with respect
- to mark students' work in a timely manner
- to respond to students' requests for assistance with coursework in a timely manner
- to assess all students fairly and equitably

**Evaluation:**

Midterm 15% (28 Feb., 2024)

Article Review and Bibliographical Assignment 10% (31 Jan., 2024)

Research Paper: 25% (20 Mar., 2024)

Final Exam: 50% (TBA)

If you have a problem meeting a deadline see the instructor at least one week in advance in order to work out an alternate date. One or two days before due date is not acceptable other than in the case of familial or medical concerns. If you miss the final exam you will be required to apply for a deferment through the proper university office.

**Required Texts:**

Frank Sear, *Roman Architecture* (Cornell UP, 1982)

Diana E.E. Kleiner, *Roman Sculpture* (Yale UP, 1992)