Rationale: The purpose of the course is to familiarize students with ancient Roman history in the Republican and Imperial periods. We will concentrate on political, social, and economic matters, but also consider cultural and intellectual history.

Calendar: The course will be structured in three parts of 4–5 weeks each, as follows:

1) Foundation through Middle Republic
2) Late Republic through the Early Empire
3) Imperial Era through decline and fall

Grading: There will be three examinations, composed of a mix of objective questions (fill-in-the-blank, multiple choice, etc.) and short essays. Three additional grades will derive from writing assignments: one primary source, one secondary source, and caucus (“Hist 324 — Winter 2006”). Of the four non-paper grades, the one lowest score will be dropped. Students’ attendance, preparation, and participation will be taken into account in borderline cases.

Required Texts:


Academic Honesty: Students are expected to abide by the EMU Student Conduct Code (link available at the course webpage).

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