

The Presocratic Philosophers

Phil 353 001 WIN 2017

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Birks 205—1:35-2:25 MWF

Jan 4 Intro

Jan 6 Hesiod I

Jan 9 Hesiod II, Thales I

Jan 11 Thales II

Jan 13 Anaxamander I

Jan 16 Anaxamander II

Jan 18 Anaxamenes

Jan 20 Discussion I

Jan 23 Heraclitus I

Jan 25 Heraclitus II

Jan 27 Heraclitus III

Jan 30 Heraclitus IV

Feb 1 Heraclitus V

Feb 3 Discussion II

Feb 6 Quiz I

Feb 8 Parmenides I

Feb 10 Parmenides II

Feb 13 Parmenides III

Feb 15 Parmenides IV

Feb 17 Discussion III

Feb 20 Melissus

Feb 22 Summary/catch-up

Feb 24 Midterm

Off Feb 25- March 5

March 6 Zeno I

March 8 Zeno II

March 10 Zeno III

March 13 Zeno IV

March 15 Zeno V

March 17 Discussion IV

March 20 Quiz II

March 22 Anaxagoras I

March 24 Anaxagoras II

March 27 Anaxagoras III

March 29 Atomists I

March 31 Atomists II

April 3 Atomists III

April 5 Atomists IV

April 7 Discussion V

April 10 Quiz III

Grading Schema

3 quizzes 10% each= 30%

mid term (in class) 30%

term paper 40% (Due April 13, hard copy only Late papers go down one grade a day, every holiday and weekend day counts as a day The first day late you could get you paper in is April 18, FIVE days late)

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Required texts: Hesiod's Theogony; The Presocratic Philosophers, Kirk, Raven and Schofield 2ed edition. Both are available at Paragraphe. Note: any translation of the Theogony is ok, you MUST use the 2ed edition of Kirk, Raven and Schofield. You should bring this book to every class.