**400 Years of Greek Literature: a six-part course led by Prof Armand D’Angour**

**BIBLIOGRAPHIC SUGGESTIONS**

Each session has an advance reading assignment of Greek texts in translation. Recommended translations are given below, with a link for online purchase (Blackwells or Amazon).

All have introductions that provide contexts and offer insights into the texts.

**Session 1. *800-700 BC: The Epic of Homer***

Reading: Homer *Iliad* Book 6

Translation: Caroline Alexander (Vintage Classics 2017)

<https://blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/product/9781784870577?gC=5a105e8b&gclid=Cj0KCQiAweaNBhDEARIsAJ5hwbdjSC9kxl1LHI256OBqr7Hg8YgvG9z90RD84J9X73sMSdyqPVmOwEoaAt1AEALw_wcB>

**Session 2. *700-600 BC: The Age of Lyric***

Reading: The fragments of Sappho

Translation: Anne Carson *If not, Winter* (Virago 2003)

<https://blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/product/9781844080816?gC=5a105e8b&gclid=Cj0KCQiAweaNBhDEARIsAJ5hwbdQngvDIwfaChPp2CvNVPD_WNXDx0hE0dwViQRg1PPOJorWxThK7DQaAu5oEALw_wcB>

**Session 3*. 600-500 BC: The Advent of Philosophy***

Reading: The Poems of Parmenides and Empedocles

Translation: Stanley Lombardo (Wipf and Stock 2011)

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Parmenides-Empedocles-Fragments-Verse-Translation/dp/1610971620?asin=1610971620&revisionId=&format=4&depth=1>

**Session 4. *500-400 BC: The Golden Age (I)***

Reading: Herodotus *Histories* Book 1

Translation: Tom Holland (Penguin Classics 2013)

<https://blackwells.co.uk/bookshop/product/9780140455397?a_aid=prh>

**Session 5*. 500-400 BC: The Golden Age (II)***

Reading: Sophocles *Antigone*

Translation: Ian Johnston (Richer Resource 2007)

Available online as PDF:

<https://johnstoniatexts.x10host.com/sophocles/antigonehtml.html>

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Antigone-Sophocles/dp/097975710X>

**Session 6. *400-300 BC: The Philosophy of Plato***

Reading: Plato *Symposium* (selections)

Translation: Seth Bernadete (Chicago 2001)

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Platos-Symposium-Translation-Benardete-Commentaries/dp/0226042758>