HON-H 299/CLAS-C102 – Roman Culture
MWF 12:20-1:10 p.m. – WH 120
W 1:25-2:15 p.m. – BH 336

HON-H 299 is not a stand-alone course. To receive honors credit for this course, you MUST enroll in HON-BS 299, class number 32513. HON-BS 299 consists of CLAS-C 102 (3 cr.) and HON-H 299 (1 cr.). At the end of the first week of classes, students will be dropped from HON-BS 299 and placed automatically into CLAS-C 102 and HON-H 299. Please note that the 1-credit HON-H 299 discussion section does NOT fulfill the HON-H course requirement for the General Honors Notation (GHN). For more information about the GHN, please visit the HHC web site.

This course introduces the ancient Romans through a study of literary and material sources from across the Roman world. We will investigate Rome from its origins through the imperial era, with attention to private life, government, the army, the arts, and technology. Students will learn about key people, places, and events within historical and cultural frameworks in order to understand the Romans in their own terms as well as their legacy in the modern world. In addition, students will learn to recognize and interpret the literary and material sources that inform our study of ancient Rome.

The Honors discussion section will examine in greater depth some of the issues and sources that the lecture addresses, for example, the aqueducts, corruption in Roman government, rhetoric, law, economic attitudes, art and architecture. Reading assignments will cover both primary sources (literature, art) and secondary articles that offer a broader perspective on Roman culture. Short response papers will be required as well as an oral presentation.