

ÇANKAYA UNIVERSITY
Faculty of Arts and Sciences
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
SYLLABUS

Title of the course : **ELL 133 MYTHOLOGY**
Instructor : Assist. Prof. Dr. Neslihan Ekmekçioğlu
Year and Term : 2025- 2026 Autumn
Class Hours : Tuesday 13.20 – 16.10
Classroom : RB04
Office Hours : Monday 13.00-14.00

I. AIM : The purpose of the course is to enable the students to recognize and understand the importance of the topics and stories of classical mythology. The myths which will be analyzed within the academic programme will help the students to interpret the literary texts in accordance with the views of Frazer, Eliade, Freud and Jung and will broaden the students' perspective in their evaluation of a literary text and will let them think about human nature more profoundly.

II. COURSE OUTLINE :

- Week I Introduction to Mythology
Myth, Legend and Folktale, Theories of Myth: Frazer, Jung, Freud and Eliade
- Week II Pre-Hellenic Civilization and Mythology
- Week III Greek Mythology and Creation Myths
- Week IV The Titans and The Twelve Olympian Gods and Goddesses: Their Stories
- Week V The Gods of Olympus and the Love Affairs of Zeus
- Week VI Divinities of Heaven and Divinities of Earth
- Week VII **Mid- Term Examination**
- Week VIII Divinities of Waters and Divinities of Underworld
- Week IX Flower Myths, Love Stories
- Week X The Heroes: Perseus, Theseus, Hercules
- Week XI The Heroes: Achilleus, Hector, Odysseus, Aeneas
- Week XII The Trojan War and the Saga of Great Families
- Week XIII Stories from The Old Testament
- Week XIV Stories from The New Testament

III. TEXTBOOKS: Edith Hamilton's **Mythology**, Ovidius' **Metamorphoses** and Robert Graves' **The Greek Myths** and **The White Goddess** will be most useful for the students.

IV. METHOD OF INSTRUCTION: The course will be conducted through lecturing, student presentations and class discussion and participation.

V. REQUIREMENTS: Attendance is obligatory. More than 11 hours of absence will result in F1. Students are expected to come to class on time, with the relevant text and having read the assigned material.

VI. ASSESSMENT:

Mid- Term	40%
Presentation and assignment or quizzes	10 %
Attendance and Participation	10%
Final Examination	40 %

VII. EVALUATION: The students' English will definitely be taken into consideration. In the grading of the exam papers, up to 25% of the total mark will be taken off for grammatical mistakes.

