This is an idealized syllabus for Greek Ethics; it outlines a fairly comprehensive course, which might be feasible on a semester system, but which is probably too ambitious for the quarter system. Consequently, we will need to abridge, as time and interests dictate. For instance, we could make connections between Greek ethics and political theory (§§4, 8, and 11). But to do so, we would probably have to sacrifice an examination of Hellenistic ethics (§§12-13). Alternatively, our coverage of Greek ethical theory could be broader in scope, extending to Hellenistic ethics (§§12-13), but then we must sacrifice coverage of issues in Greek political theory (§§4, 8, and 11). In any case, it's unclear whether there will be time for coverage of the Philoebus (§9). I can produce a revised syllabus, if need be, when these decisions have been made. But I think it is useful to provide the more comprehensive Syllabus now, both because it is not yet clear how we will abridge and because some students might want information about additional topics and readings for further reading and/or a paper topic.

Required readings are drawn from the required texts and are preceded by '(A)'. Recommended readings are preceded by '(B)'. Especially recommended readings are preceded by an asterisk. Bibliographic details for texts can be found on the Select Bibliography. If you are having trouble locating a particular text, let me know, and I can try to help (e.g. lend you a copy myself).

0. GENERAL
- (B) Irwin, The Development of Ethics, vol. 1.

1. PRESOCRATIC BACKGROUND
- (B) Adkins, Merit and Responsibility, chs. i-xii; Aeschylus, Agamemnon; Barnes, Early Greek Philosophy (esp. Heraclitus, Parmenides, and Democritus); Dover, Greek Popular Morality; Homer, Iliad (esp. i, vi, ix, xvii, xix, xxiv); Irwin, Plato's Moral Theory, ch. 2 and "Plato: The Intellectual Background" in The Cambridge Companion to Plato, ed. Kraut; Sophocles, Antigone and Oedipus the King.

2. SOCRATES AND PLATO
- (A) Apology.

3. SOCRATIC METHOD AND ETHICS
- (A) Euthyphro; Laches; Lysis esp. 219d-220b; Euthydemeus esp. 278e-282e.
4. DISOBEDIENCE AND DEMOCRACY: THE CRITO
   • (A) Crito.
   • (B) Brickhouse and Smith, Socrates on Trial; *Irwin, "Socratic Inquiry and Politics" and *"Socrates and Athenian Democracy"; *Kraut, Socrates and the State; Vlastos, "The Historical Socrates and Athenian Democracy" in Vlastos, Socratic Studies.

5. HEDONISTIC ANSWERS TO SOCRATIC QUESTIONS: THE PROTAGORAS
   • (A) Protagoras [esp. 317e-334c, 348c-362a].

6. JUSTICE AND DIALECTIC: THE GORGIAS
   • (A) Gorgias [esp. 461b-508c].
   • (B) Gosling and Taylor, The Greeks on Pleasure, ch. 4; *Irwin, Plato's Gorgias [notes], "Objectivity and Coercion in Plato's Dialectic," "Socrates the Epicurean" reprinted in Essays on the Philosophy of Socrates, ed. Benson, and *Plato's Ethics, chs. 7-8; *Vlastos, Socrates, Ironist and Moral Philosopher, ch. 8; White, "Rational Prudence in Plato's Gorgias."

7. THE REPUBLIC
   • I. General
     o (A) Republic i-ix
     o (B) Annas, An Introduction to Plato's Republic; *Irwin, Plato's Ethics, chs. 11-18.
   • II. Doubts about Justice
     o (A) Republic i-ii (through 367e)
     o (B) *Irwin, Plato's Ethics, chs. 11-12; White, "The Classification of Goods in Plato's Republic."
   • III. Moral Psychology and the Virtues
     o (A) Republic ii-iv
     o (B) Cooper, "The Psychology of Justice in Plato" and "Plato's Theory of Human Motivation" in Reason and Emotion; *Irwin, Plato's Ethics, chs. 13-14.
   • IV. The Eudaimonist Defense of Justice
     o (A) Republic iv, viii-ix
   • V. Platonic Love
     o (A) Symposium 210-212; Phaedrus 230-234, 237-257.
     o (B) Brink, "Self-love and Altruism" and "Eudaimonism, Love and Friendship, and Political Community"; *Irwin, Plato's Ethics, ch. 18; Price, Love and Friendship in Plato and Aristotle, chs. 2-3; *Vlastos, "The Individual as Object of Love in Plato" in Vlastos, Platonic Studies.
   • VI. Metaphysics and Epistemology
     o (A) Republic v-vii
     o (B) *Phaedo; *Fine, "Knowledge and Belief in Republic v-vii"; *Irwin, Plato's Ethics, ch. 16; Vlastos, "Degrees of Reality in Plato" in Vlastos, Platonic Studies; White,
8. THE POLITICAL THEORY OF THE REPUBLIC
   • (A) Review Republic ii-ix, esp. 347bc, 368c-376d, 413c-434e, 451b-466d, 471c-474c, 487b-489d, 492a-496a, 499d-501c, 519b-521b, 539e-580c, 590a-592b.
   • (B) *Statesman and Laws 624a-636e, 643a-645e, 653a-c, 660e-668d, 676a-681d, 687a-690c, 694b, 697a-698b, 701de, 705d-706a, 712c-715d, 719e-720e, 722c-728c, 730b-735a, 739a-e, 744a-745b, 745e-746d, 756b-758d, 759b, 767e-771a, 780a-783a, 811c-818a, 853a-854c, 857b-858b, 859c-864c, 874e-875d, 924a-c, 945b-e, 949e-952d, 960d-end; Barker, The Political Thought of Plato and Aristotle, esp. chs. 3-4; Brink, "Eudaimonism, Love and Friendship, and Political Community;" *Mill On Liberty; Popper, The Open Society and Its Enemies, vol. 1; Vlastos, "Was Plato a Feminist?"; White, "The Ruler's Choice".

9. PLATO'S PHILEBUS
   • (A) Philebus.

10. ARISTOTLE'S ETHICS
    • I. General
        o (A) Nicomachean Ethics, esp. i-iii, v, vii-x.
        o (B) *Eudemian Ethics; Magna Moralia; Annas, The Morality of Happiness; Hardie, Aristotle's Ethical Theory; Irwin, Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics [notes and glossary] and *Aristotle's First Principles, esp. chs. 16-21; Kraut, Aristotle on the Human Good; *Essays on Aristotle's Ethics, ed. Rorty.
    • II. Eudaimonia
        o (A) Nicomachean Ethics i and x.
    • III. Virtue and Akrasia
        o (A) Nicomachean Ethics ii-v, vii.
    • IV. Eudaimonism and the Good of Others: Friendship and Justice
        o (A) Nicomachean Ethics v, viii-ix.

11. ARISTOTLE'S POLITICS AND DEMOCRACY
   - (A) *Politics*, esp. i-iv, vii.

12. EPICUREAN HEDONISM

13. STOIC ETHICS