Week 2 Reading List
Divination, Magic and Religion in Antiquity

Required Reading

Greek Magical Papyri, PGM IV.475-829, "The Mithras Liturgy," in Hans Dieter Betz (ed.), *The Greek magical papyri in translation, including the Demotic spells*, Chicago: Chicago University Press, 1992, 2nd ed. 1996. Available under 'Reading' for Week 2 on the Moodle page.
It is highly recommended that you purchase the book, however. It is not expensive (about £35 on Amazon, cheaper used), and is a resource to be used again and again.

Wax, M. And Wax., R., 'The Notion of Magic', *Current Anthropology* 4.5 (1963), 495-518: **Available on JSTOR.**

Collins, D., 'Nature, Cause and Agency in Greek Magic', *Transactions of the American Philological Association* (*TAPA*) 133.1 (2003), 17-49: **Available on JSTOR.**

Otto, Bernd-Christian, 'Towards Historicizing "Magic" in Antiquity', *Numen* 60.2-3 (2013), 308-347. **Available on JSTOR**

Additional Reading (available online)

A companion to Betz's Greek Magical Papyri is the newly published ***Greek and Egyptian Magical Formularies: Text and Translation****,* Vol. 1, eds Christopher Faraone and Sofia Torallas Tovar, Berkeley, CA: California Classical Studies, 2022. https://escholarship.org/uc/item/9650x69r Highly recommended.

Bremmer, J. 'The birth of the term "magic"', *Zeitschrift fur Papyrologie und Epigraphik* (*ZPE*) 126 (1999), 1-12.
http://uni-koeln.de/phil-fak/ifa/zpe/downloads/1999/126pdf/126001.pdf

Dickie, M., *Magic and Magicians in the Graeco-Roman World*, London: Routledge, 2001: Chapter 1: the formation and nature of the Greek concept of magic; Chapter 5: Magic as a distinctive category in Roman thought. **Available through UWTSD Library catalogue as an e-book**

Eidinow, E., *Oracles, Curses and Risk among the Ancient Greeks,* Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007. **Available through UWTSD Library catalogue as an e-book**

Gordon, Richard. 'Cosmology, Astrology and Magic: Discourse, Schemes, Power and Literacy'. In *Panthée: Religious Transformations in the Graeco-Roman Empire*, eds Laurent Bricault and Corinne Bonnet, 85-111, Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2013.
Will be available as a handout in this class

Hammond, D., 'Magic: A Problem in Semantics', *American Anthropologist* New Series 72.6 (1970), 1349-1356: **Available on JSTOR.**

Johnston, Sarah Iles, *Greek Divination*, Oxford: Wiley Blackwell, 2008.
Available through UWTSD Library catalogue as an e-book

Stark, R., 'Reconceptualizing Religion, Magic and Science', *Review of Religious Research* 43.2 (2001), 101-120: **Available on JSTOR.**

K.B. Stratton and D.S. Kalleres (eds.), *Daughters of Hecate: Women and Magic in the Ancient World*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014.
Available through UWTSD Library catalogue as an e-book

Additional Reading (other)

Collins, Derek, *Magic in the Ancient Greek World*, Oxford: Blackwell, 2008: especially Chapter 1: Magic, what is it and how does it work?

Franz, Marie-Louise von, *On Divination and Synchronicity: The Psychology of Meaningful Chance*, Toronto: Inner City Books, 1980.

Gordon, Richard, "Imagining Greek and Roman Magic," in Flint, V., R. Gordon, G. Luck, D. Ogden (eds), *The Athlone History of Witchcraft and Magic in Europe Volume 2: Witchcraft and Magic in Europe: Ancient Greece and Rome*, London: Athlone Press, 1999, 159-266.

Graf, F., *Magic in the Ancient World*, Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1997.

Johnston, Sarah Iles, "Introduction: Divining Divination," in Johnston, Sarah Iles and Peter Struck, *Mantike: Studies in Ancient Divination*, Leiden: Brill, 2005, 1-28.

Leach, E., *Social Anthropology*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1982.

Lloyd, G.E.R., *Magic, Reason and Experience: Studies in the origins and Development of Greek Science*, Cambridge, New York, Melbourne: Cambridge University Press, 1979.

Luck, Georg, *Arcana Mundi: Magic and the Occult in the Greek and Roman Worlds*, Wellingborough: Crucible, 1987: especially Introduction and Chapter 1: Magic.

Malinowski, Bronislaw, *Magic, Science, Religion and other Essays*, New York: Doubleday, 1954.

Mauss, Marcel, *A General Theory of Magic*, London: Routledge, 1950.

Smith, Jonathan Z, *Map is Not Territory: Studies in the History of Religions*, Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1978: especially Chapters 10-12.

Tambiah, S., *Magic, Science, Religion and the Scope of Rationality*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1990, Chapter 3.