Course Code: WCCU E1015

Title: Greek and Roman Epic

Pre Requisites:
General requirements for entrance an external student of the Kelaniya University.

Aims and Objectives:
The main objective of this course will be to provide the students the historical, social and literary background of the epics and the society reflected in them. The study of the civilizations will provide the background to this course.

Learning Outcome:
By the end of this course the students will be able to identify
a. The Epics
b. Its evolution
and c. Its Society and background

Course Content:
Greek Heroic Epics
Homer - The Illiad Books 1-5 and 20-24
The Odyssey Books 1, 5-11, 21, 22
Apollonius - The Voyage of Argo
Roman Heroic epics
Virgil - the Aeneid Books 16

Method of teaching and learning:
Reading of the Texts and critical analysis.

Scheme of Evaluation:
Year end examinations.

Recommended Reading: