

**GREK 102-01—Elementary Greek II**  
**Fall Semester**  
**MTuWTh 1:00-1:50 PM**  
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... τὸ τῶν Ἑλλήνων ὄνομα ... μηκέτι τοῦ γένους, ἀλλὰ τῆς διανοίας δοκεῖν εἶναι, καὶ μᾶλλον Ἑλληνας καλεῖσθαι τοὺς τῆς παιδείουσως τῆς ἡμετέρας ἢ τοὺς τῆς κοινῆς φύσεως μετέχοντας.

The name “Greek” no longer implies a people, but an outlook, and it is applied to those who share our culture rather than to those who share a common blood.

Isocrates, *Panegyricus* 50, 380 B.C.E.



Elementary Greek II is for students who have successfully completed Elementary Greek I, or who have otherwise qualified for a second-semester course in this language. In this course, students will get through most of the remainder of the *Alpha to Omega* textbook, and put themselves in position to begin reading unadapted Greek texts from the ancient world by the end of the semester. This means that, after just two

semesters of studying this language, students will be ready to read (with guidance) some of the most influential texts in the Western world, from such authors as Homer, Plato, Euripides, and Xenophon. Furthermore, as students who have taken the first-semester course already know, Greek is a language that is notably different from English, and in its difference it provides extensive cognitive advantages to students who accept the challenge of learning it. For example, multiple studies have shown significant boosts on standardized tests to students who have taken Greek.

