MDGK 1201/5201 BEGINNING MODERN GREEK I, 6 credits
Monday 7/27/2015 - Friday 8/21/2015, Rm. 222
M-F 9:00-12:00, M, Tue, Thu 1:00-4:00, Fri 1:00-3:00
On Thursday 8/6/2015 there will be no class in observance of the feast of the Transfiguration.

1. COURSE DESCRIPTION / METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

Beginning Modern Greek I is designed for students with little or no previous instruction in Modern Greek. Our goal in this intensive class is to achieve Novice Mid proficiency in Modern Greek (by ACTFL standards) through cumulative acquisition of speaking, listening and writing skills (see also 7. Course Learning Objectives). Instruction consists of a 3-hour per day master class studying elementary aspects of the modern Greek language based on introductory readings (focusing on grammar and syntax as well as conversation and translation) and of a 3-hour per day language lab session practicing the newly acquired material. Students will be expected to work 4-5 hours per day on the lesson introduced the same day and to apply themselves with enthusiasm and creativity. Please note that this is an immersion class and that any use of the English language will be kept to a minimum.

2. INSTRUCTOR

Master Class and Language Lab: Stamatia Dova, Ph.D.
Professor of Classics and Modern Greek Studies at Hellenic College,
Rm. 304, (617) 850-1506, sdova@hchc.edu
Office Hours: W 12:30-1:30, F 3:00-4:00, Rm. 222, and by appointment.

3. REQUIRED TEXTS


4. RECOMMENDED TEXTS

5. REQUIREMENTS / EXPECTATIONS

Beginning Modern Greek I adheres to HCHC attendance policies as stated in the Student Catalog (if you need a copy of the Student Catalog please visit hchc.edu or the Registrar's Office). Further:

a. Students are required to attend class and class activities with no exceptions. All unjustified absences will be penalized (grade reduction will be counted towards your class participation grade).

b. Absolutely no make-up tests and/or exams (grade reduction will equal percentage of test, if indicated in syllabus. Grade reduction for other missed tests and quizzes will be counted towards your class participation grade).

c. No credit for late homework (gladly accepted for review).

d. All students are expected to be familiar with and observant of Hellenic College plagiarism policy.

e. ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES OPERATING DURING CLASS SHOULD BE USED ONLY FOR TAKING NOTES. INSTRUCTOR RESERVED THE RIGHT TO ASK STUDENTS TO TURN OFF AND PUT AWAY THEIR ELECTRONIC DEVICES IF THEY ARE NOT USING THEM FOR CLASS PURPOSES.

f. Students are also required to be attentive, mature, and considerate of their peers and instructors. They are expected to be on time, participate in class every day, and contribute to class exercises to the best of their ability.

6. STUDENT EVALUATION

40% attendance, participation, homework, tests and quizzes (DROP OFF DEADLINE FRIDAY 7/31/2015)

20% midterm (Friday 8/7/2015, 2-hour examination and 10 min. reading evaluation)

20% oral final exam (Thursday 8/20/2015, 15 min. reading and conversation examination)

20% final exam (Friday 8/21/2015, 2-hour written examination)

7. COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Beginning Modern Greek I is designed to provide students with reading, writing, listening comprehension, and speaking skills in Modern Greek corresponding to Novice High standards as defined by the American Council for the Teaching of Foreign languages (ACTFL). All students are expected to be able to meet basic ACTFL standards of Oral Proficiency:

http://www.actfl.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3642#profassess

8. ATTENTION

A $500 prize will be awarded to the student(s) who excelled academically in the course.