PHILOSOPHY 234AA: PLATO
READING LIST, PART I


I. GENERAL INTRO:
   A. Lecture Handout: List of Dialogues and Chronology (Early, Middle, Late) – Print this off from my Website under “Course Materials” on the PHI 234AA webpage;
   B. Introduce Stephanus numbers (Dave Lecture - Take your Book to Class!)

II. SOCRATES:
   A. Socrates biographies (Diogenes, Xenophon, and Nails):
      i. Diogenes Laertius (See “Course Materials” on the PHI 234AA Webpage)
      ii. Xenophon (Dave lecture – no reading on this)
      iii. Debra Nails, from The People of Plato (will be e-mailed to you provided you give me your e-mail address)
   B. Evidence about Socrates’ life from Plato’s dialogues (not including the Euthyphro, Apology, Crito or Phaedo):
      i. Gorgias 521c2-522e4
      ii. Symposium 174a3-9, 174d4-e1, 175b1-4, 213e1-214a7, 216d1-222a6
      iii. Letter II 314b7-c5
      iv. Letter VII 324b8-325c5
   C. Euthyphro, part I (2a1-9b10)
   D. Euthyphro, part II (9c1-end)
   E. Apology, part I (17a1-26b6)
   F. Apology, part II (26c1-32e2)
   G. Apology, part III (32e3-end)
   H. Crito (entire dialogue)
   I. Socrates' Last Day (Phaedo 57a1-62c3, and 115a3-end)

III. PLATO:
   A. Plato biographies (Diogenes, Olympiodorus, and Nails):
      i. Diogenes Laertius (See “Course Materials” on the PHI 234AA Webpage)
      ii. Olympiodorus (will be e-mailed to you provided you give me your e-mail address)
      iii. Debra Nails, from The People of Plato (will be e-mailed to you provided you give me your e-mail address)
   B. Different Major Interpretations of Plato's work (Dave Lecture – no reading!)

IV. EPISTEMOLOGY:
   A. On Opinion:
      i. Meno 97e2-98a3, 98c1-d5, 99a1-e2
      ii. Symposium 202a4-b1
      iii. Republic V 476b3-477b9, 478e6-479e5, 480a5-9, VI 484c5-d4, VII 527d4-e6, 533b1-e1
      iv. Theaetetus 187a1-7
      v. Timaeus 27d5-28a4, 28c2-5, 29c1-7, 51d4-e10
      vi. Statesman 309c5-8
      vii. Philebus 39a1-b1
   B. On Recollection:
      i. Meno 81c4-82a2, 86b1-c3, 97e2-98a9
      ii. Phaedo 72d6-76a7, 76c1-9, 91e5-92a4, 92c8-e3
iii. *Symposium* 207d5-208a7  
iv. *Phaedrus* 248e6-249e5  
v. *Philebus* 34b2-c3

C. On Dialectic:
   i. *Republic* VII 521c4-d4, 531d5-532b4, 533a1-e2, 534b2-d2, 534e2-535a2, 539d3-e2  
   ii. *Phaedrus* 265d1-266c2, 276e1-277a5  
   iii. *Philebus* 57d7-58a5

D. On Knowledge:
   i. *Menexenus* 246e7 (the second “c” on p. 961!)-247a2  
   ii. *Meno* 97e2-98a3 [Repeat]  
   iii. *Meno* 98c1-d3 [Repeat]  
   iv. *Phaedo* 65e1-66a8  
   v. *Republic* V 476b7-d6 [Repeat], 476e7-477a5 [Repeat], 479e6-480a1, VI 484c6-10 [Repeat], 508d3-509a6, VII 533b1-e3 [Repeat]  
   vi. *Phaedrus* 247c3-e4  
   vii. *Timaeus* 37c1-5, 51d4-e10 [Repeat]  
   viii. *Philebus* 55d1-8  
   ix. *Laws* IX 875b3-d4, X 905b3-c3 (said to a wicked person), XII 965b7-966d2

[For further reading on knowledge in general: *Republic* VI 485a-d, VI 509d-511e, *Philebus* 39a, 58b-e, 61d-e, 63b-c, *Laws* XII 965b-966d, and the supposedly inauthentic *Epinomis* 977b-978b; For the “Collection and Division” passages, see: *Phaedrus* 273d-274a, *Statesman* 285a-b, 309c, *Philebus* 15a-c, 17c-e, 18a-d, 19b.]