Reading List for the M.A. in Greek

Homer
- *Iliad* 1, 6, 9, 16, 18, 22, 24
- *Odyssey* 1, 9-12
- The whole of both poems in English

Hesiod
- *Works and Days* 1-201
- *Theogony* 1-210
- The whole *Theogony* in English

Lyric Poetry, from David Campbell, ed., Greek Lyric Poetry
- Selections of:
  - Archilochus, including Cologne fragment (Appendix)
  - Mimnermus
  - Sappho (1, 16, 31, 55, 104a, 105a, 105c, 130)
  - Anacreon (357, 358, 395, 417)
  - Solon
  - Pindar, *Olympian* 1 or Bacchides, *Ode* 5

Tragedy
- In Greek, five plays from among:
  - Aeschylus, *Agamemnon* and *Prometheus Bound*
  - Sophocles, *Oedipus Rex* and *Antigone*
  - Euripides, *Medea* and *Bacchae*
- In English, five plays from among:
  - Aeschylus, *Oresteia* (trilogy)
  - Sophocles, *Ajax* and *Oedipus at Colonus*
  - Euripides, *Alcestis, Hecuba,* and *Hippolytus*

Comedy
• In Greek, two plays from among:
  ◦ Aristophanes, *Clouds* and *Frogs*
  ◦ Mendander, *Dyskolos*
• In English, five plays from among:
  ◦ Aristophanes, *Acharnians*, Lysistrata, and Birds
  ◦ Euripides, *Helen*
  ◦ Menander, *Dyskolos*

**Herodotus**
• *Histories* 1 or 6
• The whole *Histories* in English

**Thucydides**
• *History* 6-7 (Sicilian Expedition)
• The whole *History* in English

**Plato**
• *Apology*
• *Republic* 10
• The whole *Republic* in English

**Lysias**
• *Oration* 12

**Aristotle**
• *Poetics* 1-18

**Hellenistic Poetry, from Neil Hopkinson, A Hellenistic Anthology:**
• Theocritus, *Idyll* 11 (= HA ix)
• Aratus, *Phaenomena* 1-18, 96-136 (= HA vi-vii)
• Callimachus, *Aetia* fr.1 (= HA i)
• Callimachus, Hymn 5 (= HA iii)
• Funerary and Amatory Epigrams (= HA xxvi.1-24)
• Moschus, Europa (= HA xix)

New Testament
• Gospel of Luke

SUPPLEMENTARY READING LIST

As general background for the study of classical literature a student should read several books on Greek history. Many are available. This list contains suggestions, but feel free to make substitutions.

• A. Andrewes, Greek Society
• A. R. Burns, Pelican History of Greece
• J. B. Bury and R. Meiggs, A History of Greece
• Oswyn Murray, Early Greece
• J. K. Davies, Democracy and Classical Greece

For literary history, the standard reference work is now the Cambridge History of Classical Literature, (Vol. I = Greece, Vol. II = Rome). The articles on individual authors are, in general, state of the art and the bibliographies are ample (up-to-date to 1982). Copies are available in the reference section in O'Neill Library.

For shorter articles and bibliography (to c. 1996) on authors, genres, historical figures, mythology, etc., see the Oxford Classical Dictionary, 3rd edition, available in the Classics Department office and in O'Neill Library.

Affordable in paperback and still useful for reference are H. J. Rose's Histories of Greek and Latin literature; for mythological references the most convenient guide is Edward Tripp, The Meridian Handbook of Classical Mythology.