Greco-Roman World: Comprehensive Exam List

This list consists of three sections: Primary Sources (all are required); Required Secondary Sources (all are required); Optional Secondary Sources (none are required, but students might find these additional readings helpful for their individual areas of study or for enrichment beyond the comprehensive exam).

Primary Sources (read all):

- Plato, *Timaeus* and *Phaedo*
- Virgil, *Aeneid*, books 1 and 8
- Livy, *History of Rome*, book 1
- Plutarch, *Lives of Romulus and Numa*
- *Res Gestae Divi Augusti*
- Nicolaus of Damascus, *The Life of Augustus*
- Aelius Aristides, *The Roman Oration* and *Hieroi Logoi*
- Ovid, *Fasti*
- Theon, *Progymnasmata* / Libanius, *Progymnasmata*
- Gaius’s *Institutes*
- Aristotle, *Politics, book 1*
- Petronius, *Satyricon* (*Cena Trimalchionis, 26-78)*
- Plato, *The Symposium*
- Chariton, *Chaereas and Callirhoe*
- Apuleius, *Metamorphosis, or The Golden Ass*
- Horace, *Satires*
- Lucian, *True Story and Passing of Peregrinus*
- Seneca, *Epistulae morales ad Lucilium*
- Epictetus, *Discourses*
- Iamblichus, *On the Mysteries*
- Cicero, *De Divinatione*
- Soranus, *Gynecology*
- Galen, *The Art of Medicine* (selections)
- Apuleius, *Metamorphosis, or The Golden Ass*
- Philostratus, *The Life of Apollonius of Tyanna*
Required Secondary Sources (read all):
1. Alain Gowing, *Empire and Memory: The Representation of the Roman Republic in Imperial Culture* (2005)

Optional Secondary Sources (for reference, not required):