

**Department of the Classics
Thesis Colloquium 2015**

**Friday, November 13, 2:00–4:45 p.m.
Barker 018 and 024**

The Colloquium will run in two parallel sessions, each bisected by a break for coffee and cookies. Afterwards, all are cordially invited back to the Department for Happy Hour.

**Session 1: Barker 018
Moderator: Sarah Lannom**

- 2:00–2:30** Talia Saal Fallow Ground, Hallowed Ground: An Exploration of Religious Disuse of Land in the Eastern Mediterranean
Advisors: Greg Nagy/Shaye Cohen/Sam Blankenship
- 2:30–3:00** Josh Blecher-Cohen *Nomos* and *Phusis* in Platonic Jurisprudence
Advisors: Mark Schiefsky/Jacob Rosen/Alex Forte
- 3:00–3:30** Roman Berens The Relationship between Mathematics and Physics in Hellenistic Writing
Advisors: Mark Schiefsky/Amy Koenig
- 3:30–3:45** Coffee break
- 3:45–4:15** Emily Ciciotte Murder to Excellence: Alexander, Achilles, and the *Klea Andron* in Ancient Biography
Advisors: Greg Nagy/Charlie Bartlett
- 4:15–4:45** Anne Power Sex, Drugs, and Rock ‘n’ Roll: Pop Culture Representations of Dionysus
Advisors: Albert Henrichs/Tyler Flatt

**Session 2: Barker 024
Moderator: Kathleen Coleman**

- 2:00–2:30** Todd Jones Refusal in Early Monastic Literature
Advisors: Charles Stang/Coleman Connelly
- 2:30–3:00** Veronica Wickline The Empowered Destitute: Examining Roman Widows’ Perceived and Changing Roles in the 3rd–5th Centuries CE
Advisors: Naomi Weiss/Michael Konieczny
- 3:00–3:30** Tyler Dobbs *Impiae rates*: Criticism of Seafaring in Roman Literature
Advisors: Richard Thomas/Marco Romani Mistretta
- 3:30–3:45** Coffee break
- 3:45–4:15** Jude Russo Alliteration in Lucretius
Advisors: Richard Tarrant/Sergios Paschalis
- 4:15–4:45** Thomas Earle Putting the Au in Dolaucothi: Investigating Gold Mining in Roman Wales through Spain and Dacia
Advisors: Kathleen Coleman/Anthony Shannon