

# ***The College Greek Exam***

ἡ δοκιμασία τοῦ λόγου τε καὶ τοῦ νοῦ.

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Χαῖρε!

Welcome to the College Greek Exam (CGE), the first and only nationally standardized exam for assessing students in their first year of college-level Greek (normally in their second semester). We are hoping you and your students will participate in the Seventh Annual (2015) exam.

The current syllabus is posted at [www.dramata.com](http://www.dramata.com). The grammatical material remains the same as in previous years and is geared not toward any specific textbook but based on frequency of forms and constructions, chosen with the idea that these are fundamental concepts for any beginning reader of ancient Greek (Attic or Koine). Similarly, the vocabulary is chosen on the basis of frequency across a wide variety of texts and with the idea that the list will constitute a useful core for readers of diverse interests. The syllabus, previous exams, reports, and more are posted as well.

We would like to target the month of **October, 2015** for administering the exam. In any case, completed exams must be mailed by October 31 to be scored. If you are interested in participating in the exam, please let me know via e-mail ([wmajor@lsu.edu](mailto:wmajor@lsu.edu)) ASAP; tell us how many exams you will need and confirm an address for mailing them. This year we are again asking what beginning Greek textbook your program is using. This information is only for internal use by the committee to make sure that our exam reflects the material that will be familiar to the students who participate and will not be part of the scoring or published report on the exam. We are continuing to develop a digital version of the exam in the hopes of making the exam available online next year. We welcome any recommendations you have on this process.

Once again, because of support from the Committee for the Promotion of Greek (part of NCLG; see [www.promotelatin.org](http://www.promotelatin.org)) and Louisiana State University, there will be **NO CHARGE** for exams this year. Through the generosity of Eta Sigma Phi and the University of Georgia, there is now a stabilized procedure for awarding medals and ribbons (and continuing recognition of the top score at each school). And new this year: CAMWS has announced the Ed Phinney Book Prize for students with a perfect score on the exam! Reports and summaries also provide data for schools for assessment purposes. We hope you will offer feedback on the syllabus and exam so that it can continue to improve each year. Your perspective will be very valuable.

Sincerely,

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