

**PhD Qualifying Examination /MA Comprehensive Examination  
History of Classical Philosophy**

Topic for 2009-2010: *Form*

Reading List

**Presocratics:** Fragments and Testimonia from the works of Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes, Heraclitus, Pythagoras, Parmenides, Zeno, and Democritus. (Recommended translations: Richard D. Mckirahan, *Philosophy Before Socrates.*)

**Plato:** Euthyphro, Apology, Meno, Phaedo, Republic, Parmenides 126A-135C, Sophist, Timaeus 17A-47E, Seventh Letter. (Recommended translations: Plato, *Complete Works*, ed. J.M. Cooper.)

**Aristotle:** Categories chs. 1-5, Topics I, Posterior Analytics I.1-13, 27-36, II.19, De Anima II-III, Metaphysics I, IV-IX, XII, Physics I-II, III.1-4, 8, IV.10-14, VII.1, VIII, Nicomachean Ethics I. 6, VI, and X. 7-8 (Recommended translations: *The Complete Works of Aristotle, Volumes I-II*, ed. J. Barnes.)

**Hellenistic Philosophers:** relevant sections (i.e., in the areas of Stoic, Epicurean and Skeptical epistemology or metaphysics, depending upon the topic). (Recommended translations: *The Hellenistic Philosophers*, eds. A.A. Long and D. Sedley.)