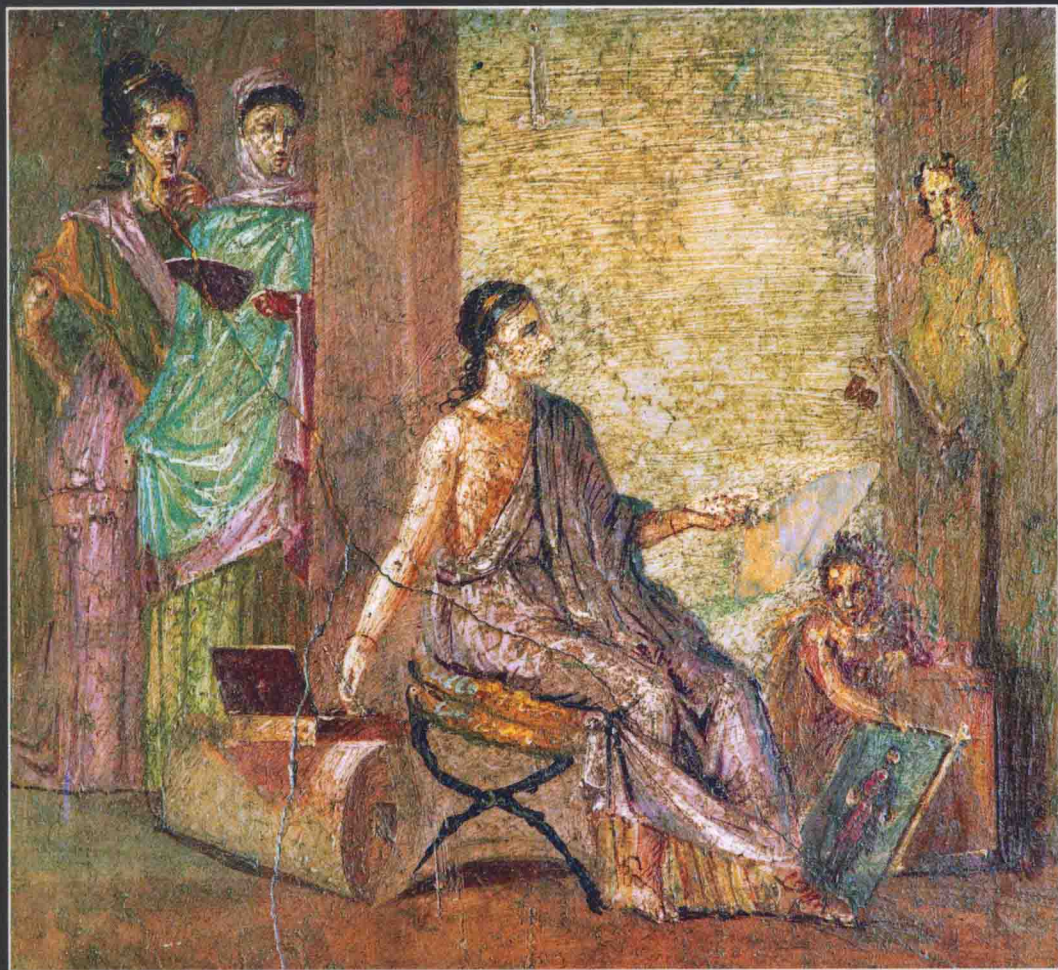


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- Angled brackets < > enclose words omitted by the original author or scribe but added by the modern editor or translator.
- Ellipses . . . indicate that part of the ancient source has been omitted by the modern author.

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AE	<i>L'Année épigraphique</i>
Amm. Marc.	Ammianus Marcellinus
App.	Appian
B Civ.	<i>Bella civilia</i>
Mac.	Μακεδονική
Pun.	Λιβυκή
Apul.	Apuleius
Flor.	<i>Florida</i>
Met.	<i>Metamorphoses</i>
Archil.	Archilochus

Aristid.	Aelius Aristides
Or.	<i>Orationes</i>
Arr.	Arrian
Epict. diss.	<i>Epicteti dissertationes</i>
Artem.	Artemidorus Daldianus
Asc.	Asconius
Mil.	<i>Pro Milone</i>
Auct. ad Her.	<i>Auctor ad Herennium</i>
BGU	<i>Berliner Griechische Urkunden</i>
BJ	<i>Bonner Jahrbücher</i>
BL	Preisigke, F., et al. 1922–. <i>Berichtigungsliste der griechischen Papyrusurkunden aus Ägypten</i> . Berlin-Leipzig.
Caes.	Caesar
BGall.	<i>Bellum Gallicum</i>
Cass. Dio	Cassius Dio
Catull.	Catullus
CFA	Scheid, J. 1998. <i>Commentarii Fratrum Arvalium qui supersunt: Les copies épigraphiques des protocols annuels de la confrérie arvale (21 av.–304 ap. J.-C.)</i> . Collection Roma antica 4. Rome.
Chrest.Mitt.	<i>Grundzüge und Chrestomathie der Papyruskunde</i> , II Bd. Juristischer Teil, II Hälfte Chrestomathie.
Cic.	Cicero
Amic.	<i>De amicitia</i>
Att.	<i>Epistulae ad Atticum</i>
Brut.	<i>Brutus</i> or <i>De Claris Oratoribus</i>
Cael.	<i>Pro Caelio</i>
De or.	<i>De oratore</i>
Div.	<i>De divinatione</i>
Dom.	<i>De domo sua</i>
Fam.	<i>Epistulae ad familiares</i>
Fin.	<i>De finibus</i>
Flac.	<i>Pro Flacco</i>
Har. Resp.	<i>De haruspicum responso</i>
Leg.	<i>De legibus</i>
Leg. Man.	<i>Pro lege Manilia</i> or <i>De imperio Cn.</i>

Mil.	<i>Pro Milone</i>	<i>Pro Milone</i>	107
Nat. D.	<i>De natura deorum</i>	<i>De natura deorum</i>	114
Off.	<i>De officiis</i>	<i>De officiis</i>	114
Orat.	<i>Orator ad M. Brutum</i>	<i>Orator ad M. Brutum</i>	114
Phil.	<i>Orationes Philippicae</i>	<i>Orationes Philippicae</i>	114
Q Fr.	<i>Epistulae ad Quintum fratrem</i>	<i>Epistulae ad Quintum fratrem</i>	114
Rep.	<i>De republica</i>	<i>De republica</i>	114
Rosc. Am.	<i>Pro Sexto Roscio Amerino</i>	<i>Pro Sexto Roscio Amerino</i>	114
Sen.	<i>De senectute</i>	<i>De senectute</i>	114
Sest.	<i>Pro Sestio</i>	<i>Pro Sestio</i>	114
Tusc.	<i>Tusculanae disputationes</i>	<i>Tusculanae disputationes</i>	114
Vat.	<i>In Vatinius</i>	<i>In Vatinius</i>	114
Verr.	<i>In Verrem</i>	<i>In Verrem</i>	114
CIL	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum</i>	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum</i>	114
CISem.	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Semiticarum</i>	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Semiticarum</i>	114
Cod.	<i>Codex</i>	<i>Codex</i>	114
Cod. Theod.	<i>Codex Theodosianus</i>	<i>Codex Theodosianus</i>	114
Columella			114
Rust.	<i>De re rustica</i>	<i>De re rustica</i>	114
Dig.	<i>Digesta</i>	<i>Digesta</i>	114
Dio Chrys.	<i>Dio Chrysostomus</i>	<i>Dio Chrysostomus</i>	114
Or.	<i>Orationes</i>	<i>Orationes</i>	114
Dion. Hal.	<i>Dionysius of Halicarnassus</i>	<i>Dionysius of Halicarnassus</i>	114
Ant. Rom.	<i>Antiquitates Romanae</i>	<i>Antiquitates Romanae</i>	114
Comp.	<i>De compositione verborum</i>	<i>De compositione verborum</i>	114
Euseb.	<i>Eusebius</i>	<i>Eusebius</i>	114
Hist. eccl.	<i>Historia ecclesiastica</i>	<i>Historia ecclesiastica</i>	114
Eutr.	<i>Eutropius</i>	<i>Eutropius</i>	114
Festus			114
Gloss. Lat.	<i>Glossaria Latina</i>	<i>Glossaria Latina</i>	114
Frontin.	<i>Frontinus</i>	<i>Frontinus</i>	114
Aq.	<i>De aquae ductu urbis Romae</i>	<i>De aquae ductu urbis Romae</i>	114
Str.	<i>Strategemata</i>	<i>Strategemata</i>	114
Gai.	<i>Gaius</i>	<i>Gaius</i>	114
Inst.	<i>Institutiones</i>	<i>Institutiones</i>	114

Gell.	Aulus Gellius
NA	<i>Noctes Atticae</i>
Hdn.	Herodianus
Heron	
Pneum.	<i>Pneumatica</i>
Hor.	Horace
Carm.	<i>Carmina</i> or <i>Odes</i>
Epist.	<i>Epistulae</i>
Sat.	<i>Satirae</i> or <i>Sermones</i>
HRRel.	Peter, H. 1967. <i>Historicorum romanorum reliquiae</i> . Stuttgart, Germany.
IGRom	<i>Inscriptiones Graecae ad res Romanas pertinentes</i>
ILS	<i>Inscriptiones Latinae Selectae</i>
Inscr. Ital.	<i>Inscriptiones Italiae</i>
IPOSTie-A	Hylander, H. 1952. <i>Inscriptions du port d'Ostie</i> . Lund.
ISIS	Helittula A. 2007. <i>Le iscrizioni sepolcrali latine nell'Isola sacra</i> . Rome.
Jer.	Jerome
Ep.	<i>Epistulae</i>
Joseph	Josephus
BJ	<i>Bellum Judaicum</i>
Just.	Justinus
Epit.	<i>Epitome</i> (of Trogus)
Juv.	Juvenal
Lactant.	Lactantius
De mort. pers.	<i>De mortibus persecutorum</i>
Livy, Epit.	<i>Epitomae</i>
Per.	<i>Periochae</i>
Luc.	Lucan
Lucian	
Alex.	<i>Alexander</i>
Nav.	<i>Navigium</i>
Somn.	<i>Somnium</i>
Lucr.	Lucretius
MAMA	<i>Monumenta Asiae Minoris Antiquae</i>
Mart.	Martial

Nep.	Nepos
Att.	Atticus
Nic. Dam.	Nicolaus Damascenus
OGI	<i>Orientis Graeci Inscriptiones Selectae</i>
Oros.	Orosius
Ov.	Ovid
Am.	<i>Amores</i>
Ars am.	<i>Ars amatoria</i>
Fast.	<i>Fasti</i>
Met.	<i>Metamorphoses</i>
Tr.	<i>Tristia</i>
PAmh.	<i>Amherst Papyri</i>
PAthen.	<i>Papyri Societatis Archaeologicae Atheniensis</i>
Paus.	Pausanias
P Bour.	<i>Les Papyrus Bouriant</i>
P Brem.	<i>Die Bremer Papyri</i>
P Colon.	<i>Kölner Papyri</i>
Pers.	Persius
Petron.	Petronius
Sat.	<i>Satyrica</i>
PEuphrates	<i>Documents d'archives romains inédits du Moyen Euphrates</i>
PFay.	<i>Fayum Towns and their Papyri</i>
P Gen.	<i>Les Papyrus de Genève</i>
P Graux.	<i>Papyrus Graux</i>
Philo	Philo Judaeus
Leg.	<i>Legatio ad Gaium</i>
Plaut.	Plautus
Rud.	<i>Rudens</i>
Plin.	Pliny the Elder
HN	<i>Naturalis historia</i>
Plin.	Pliny the Younger
Ep.	<i>Epistulae</i>
Pan.	<i>Panegyricus</i>
PLond.	<i>Greek Papyri in the British Museum</i>
Plut.	Plutarch

Caes.	Caesar
Cat. Mai.	Cato Maior
Cat. Min.	Cato Minor
Cic.	Cicero
Crass.	Crassus
Flam.	Flaminius
Mar.	Marius
Mor.	Moralia
Pomp.	Pompeius
Pyrrh.	Pyrrhus
Rom.	Romulus
PMich.	Michigan Papyri
PMon. Epiph.	The Monastery of Epiphanius at Thebes
Polyb.	Polybius
P.Oxy.	The Oxyrhynchus Papyri
PPetaus	Das Archiv des Petaus
Prop.	Propertius
PRyl.	Catalogue of the Greek Papyri in the John Rylands Library, Manchester
PSI	Papiri Greci e Latini, Pubblicazioni della Società italiana per la ricerca dei papiri greci e latini in Egitto
PTebt.	The Tebtunis Papyri
PThmouis	Le Papyrus Thmouis 1, colonnes 68—160
PTurner	Papyri Greek and Egyptian Edited by Various Hands in Honour of Eric Gardner Turner on the Occasion of his Seventieth Birthday
PVind.Bosw.	Einige Wiener Papyri
Quint.	Quintilian
Inst.	Institutio oratoria
RG	Monumentum Ancyranum
RMD	Roxan, M., and P. Holder, eds. <i>Roman Military Diplomas</i> . 5 vols.
Sall.	Sallust
Cat.	<i>Bellum Catilinae</i> or <i>De Catilinae coniuratione</i>
SB	<i>Sammelbuch griechischen Urkunden aus Ägypten</i>
SEG	<i>Supplementum epigraphicum Graecum</i>

Sel.Pap. II	Hunt, A.S., and C.C. Cary, trans. 1934. <i>Select Papyri Volume II: Public Documents</i> . The Loeb Classical Library 282. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
Sen.	Seneca the Younger
Brev. Vit.	<i>De brevitae vitae</i>
Clem.	<i>De clementia</i>
Constant.	<i>De constantia sapientis</i>
Ep.	<i>Epistulae</i>
Helv.	<i>Ad Helviam</i>
QNat.	<i>Quaestiones naturales</i>
SHA	Scriptores Historiae Augustae
Gall.	Gallienus
Hadr.	Hadrian
Marc.	Marcus
Sev.	Severus
Tyr. Trig.	<i>Tyranni Triginta</i>
Sor.	Soranus
Gyn.	<i>Gynaeceia</i>
Stud.Pal.	<i>Studien zur Palaeographie und Papyruskunde</i>
Suet.	Suetonius
Aug.	Divus Augustus
Calig.	Caligula
Claud.	Divus Claudius
Dom.	Domitianus
Galb.	Galba
Gram.	<i>De grammaticis</i>
Iul.	Divus Iulius
Ner.	Nero
Tib.	Tiberius
Tit.	Divus Titus
Vesp.	Divus Vespasianus
Tac.	Tacitus
Agr.	Agricola

Ann.	<i>Annales</i>
Dial.	<i>Dialogus de oratoribus</i>
Hist.	<i>Historiae</i>
Tert.	Tertullian
Apol.	<i>Apologeticus</i>
Thuc.	Thucydides
Tib.	Tibullus
T.Vindol.	<i>Vindolanda: the Latin Writing Tablets</i>
Val. Max.	Valerius Maximus
Varro	
Ling.	<i>De lingua Latina</i>
Rust.	<i>De re rustica</i>
Vegetius	
Mil.	<i>De re militari</i>
Vitr.	Vitruvius
De arch.	<i>De architectura</i>
Xen.	Xenophon
Oec.	<i>Oeconomicus</i>

Notes

- 1 Hornblower, Spawforth, and Eidinow (2012).
- 2 Oates et al. (2011). This list, which provides full bibliographic and other useful information for papyri, ostraca, and related materials (such as the Vindolanda Tablets), is available online at <http://library.duke.edu/rubenstein/scriptorium/papyrus/texts/clist.html>.

Introduction

This volume aims to introduce students to fundamental aspects of Roman society—its composition, institutions, structures, and cultural products—particularly in the period 200 BCE to 200 CE. While there are several excellent introductions to Roman history (some of which include a discussion of cultural issues), this book differs from them by approaching Roman society thematically rather than chronologically. In other words, we do not ask how Rome expanded from a city to an empire but what Roman society looked like. How was it organized, and what practices, ideas, and social institutions supported these structures? The chapters of this volume, each of which has been written by an active researcher and instructor in the field, address these questions with reference to specific elements of Roman society. Our objective is to provide a sense of the relevant evidence and an assessment of the current state of scholarship, thereby forming a basis for further study of Roman life or history.

Content of This Book

By taking a thematic approach, we have given priority to seminal concepts with the broadest relevance in the chosen time period. This method means that chapters do not have to be read in order; however, thought has been put into their arrangement. Chapter 1 offers a sketch of the development of social historical research in the discipline, while Chapter 2's brief history of Roman political life supplies a broad chronological framework for the subsequent chapters' discussion. Chapters 3 to 5 introduce the human elements of Roman society (class and status, slavery, and the household) and their relationships to each other. Chapters 6 to 8 examine the intellectual life that reflected and perpetuated Roman social values (education and literature) and the social construction of self and others (gender and sexuality). Chapter 9 not only considers religion but also acts as a bridge between the previous chapters' focus on the human components of society and the next three chapters' discussion regarding the social structures and institutions (government, law and order, and entertainment) that governed them, supported social cohesion, and provided an opportunity for the expression of collective values. Rome's relations with others is the subject of chapters 13 and 14; Chapter 15 looks at economic dynamics. The final two chapters focus on the physical products of Roman society, technology and