

Lecture 5: *Conquest and Culture and the Hellenistic World*

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Athens and Sparta in the Classical Period (c. 500-400 BCE)



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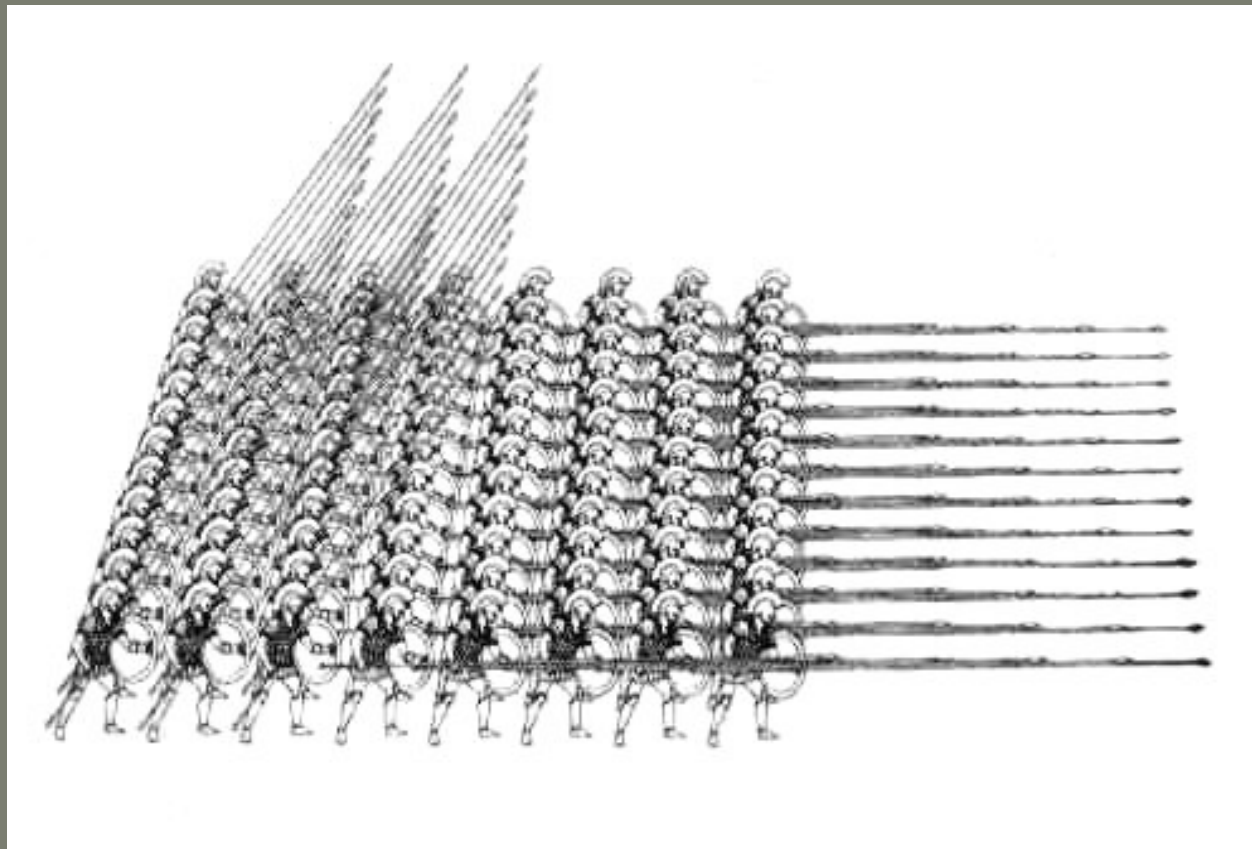
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Coinage of Philip of Macedonia, 4th Century BCE



Macedonian Phalanx – New Fighting Force



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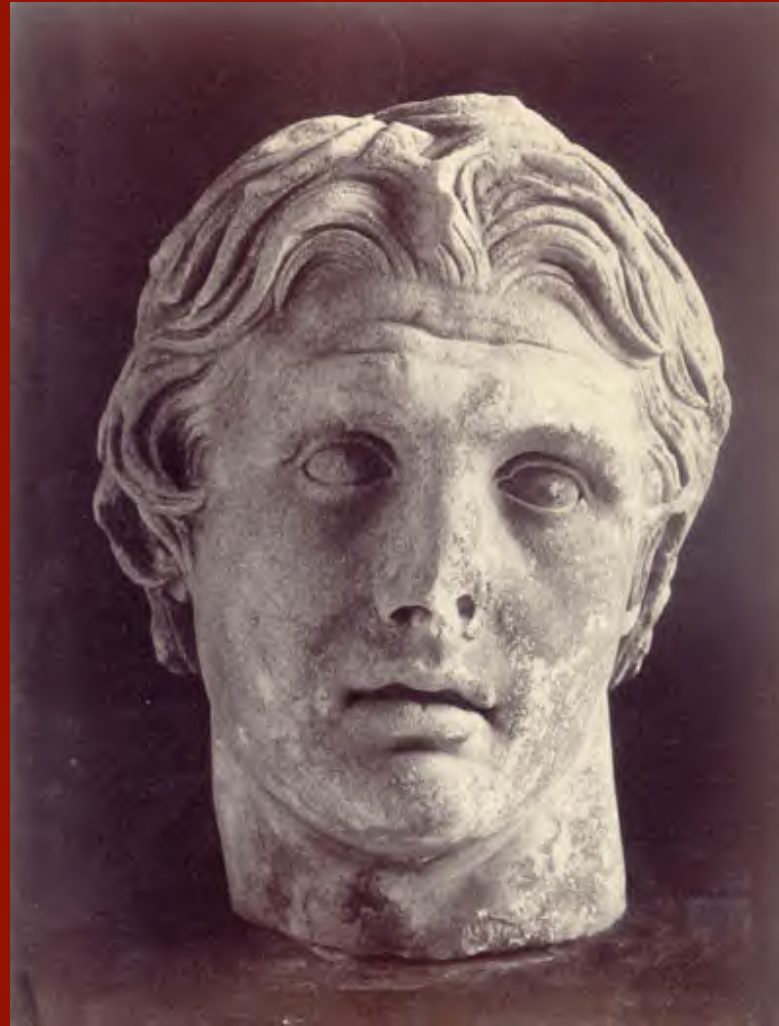
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Head of Alexander the Great (356-323 BCE, he died at 33)



Silver coins such as this, bearing a head of Heracles on one face and a seated Zeus with the king's name on the other, were struck throughout the empire.

(ca. 330s B.C.E.) (Brown University Collection)



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Successor Kings and their Kingdoms

Antigonus = **Antigonid Kingdom** (Anatolia, Macedonia, and Greece).

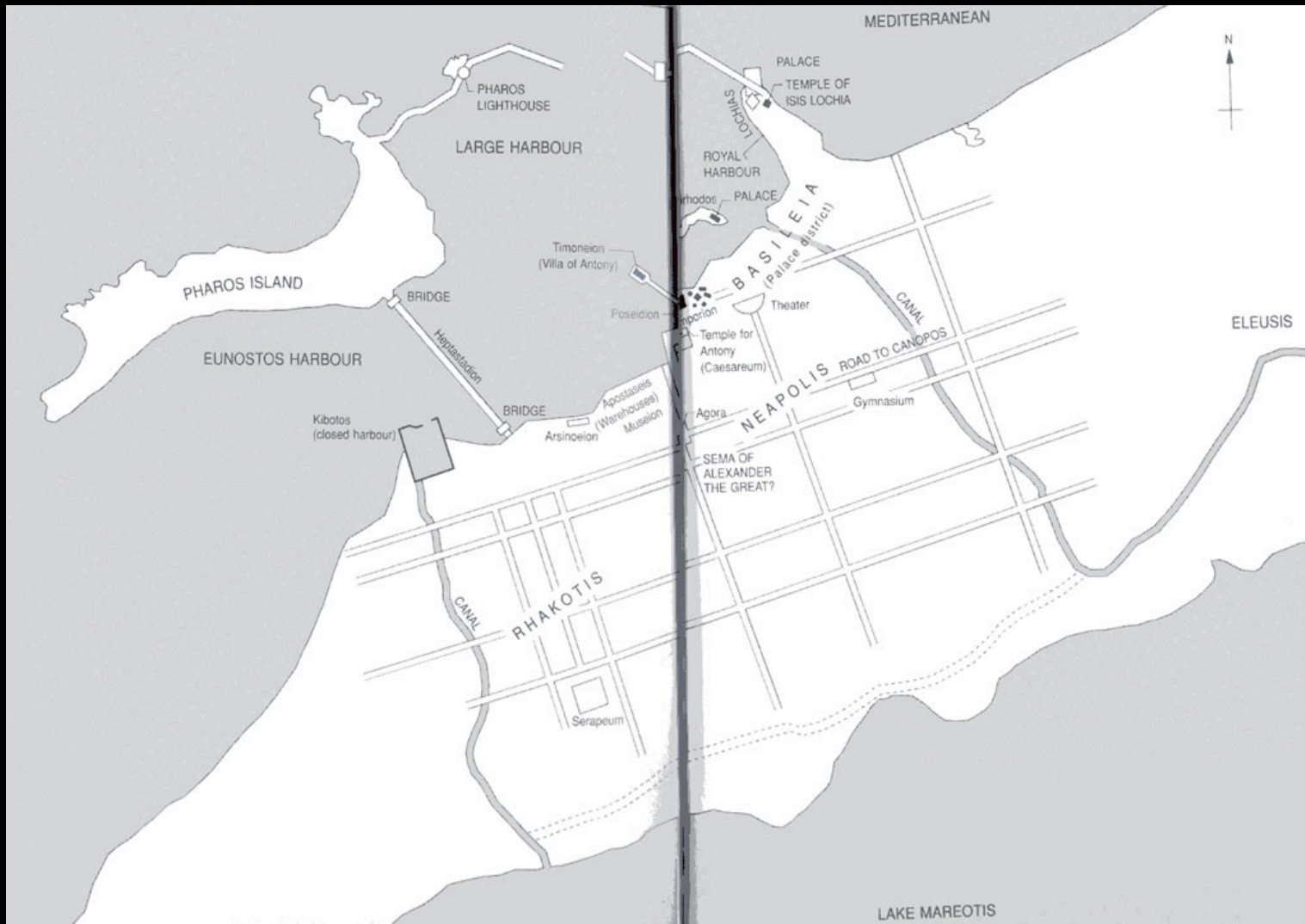
Seleucus = **Seleucid Kingdom** (Babylonia and the East as far as India).

Ptolemy = **Ptolemaic Kingdom** (Egypt).

The Hellenistic Kingdoms (ca. 240 BCE)



The City of Alexandria in the Hellenistic Period



Winged Nike of Samothrace, Hellenistic Greek -- marble sculpture 190 BCE



Mosaic inlaid floor - in the dining room of a Hellenistic house, 4th century BCE



Detail of Hellenistic mosaic depicting Alexander, 2nd century BCE

