These lectures are designed particularly for those taking the special subject for Classics Mods or CAAH Prelims, but may also be of interest to anyone studying the late Republic at Finals. Lectures will cover the following topics:

1) Filling in the background: Late Republican politics and the problem of sources

2) Cicero’s story: the route to the consulship and the ‘first conspiracy’

3) Catiline’s story: mobilising the mob

4) The story of 63 BC: heroes and villains