

Course Title: Intermediate Latin I

Course Number: LAT 201/202

Term: Fall 2024

Seminar – Mon/Wed/Fri 1:25-2:15 pm

Room 302

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Office Hours: By appointment

I am at your service for anything you may need for my classes or for your spiritual life: please don't hesitate to email me to ask for a meeting. You are also welcome to knock on the door any time I am in my office. However, if my "Do Not Disturb" sign is up, please knock *only* for something that cannot reasonably wait.

Prerequisites: The equivalent of SMC Introductory Latin I

Required Materials:

Latin: An Intensive Course, Moreland and Fleischer

Any standard collegiate Latin dictionary

Suggested Materials:

A Latin Dictionary, Lewis and Short

Course Description:

LAT 201/202 continues introducing students to the elements of the Latin language through the medium of Latin letters.

Purpose:

This course is designed to give students the skill to recognize, imitate, and interpret the fundamental forms and structures of the Latin language, thereby rendering the entirety of Latin literature more directly accessible to them for their enjoyment.

Grading Policy:

A set of intensive and comprehensive projects based on original, unedited Latin source materials will be given to the students, normally once per week, for them to complete and hand in, typically at the end of a seven-day period. These projects are so designed that the class should be spending six hours per week, on average, completing them. They are then marked and graded by the professor. The students' final semester grade will be their overall average on these projects. Given the demanding nature of these projects, there will normally be no additional quizzes, tests, or exams.

Attendance and Homework Policy:

- Each student is personally responsible for gathering the material presented in each class session.

- Out of courtesy, the students are asked to inform the professor when they foresee missing a session.
- Students are expected to hand in each homework (the so-called 'Ludus') at its scheduled time.
 - A failure to do so must be sufficiently explained to and excused by the professor before an extension is granted.
 - Only for a very serious reason will the professor permit an extension for unforeseen failures to turn in homework on time.
 - It is the student's responsibility to approach the professor about scheduling an extension date.
 - Unexcused failure to turn in the homework, as well as a failure to follow carefully the directions listed at the top of each homework, will typically result in a zero.

Personal Gifts Policy:

I do not accept gifts, booze, baked goods, the singing of 'Happy Birthday,' or other such tokens of esteem from students. They will be thrown away or given away. The greatest token of your appreciation would be for you to do your reasonable best to learn the material and succeed on your tests, or perhaps a thank-you note at the end of the year, after grades have been finalized and if you want to express true gratitude for the course. Thank you for understanding.

Class Disruption Policy:

If I feel that students are disturbing the lectures by carrying on among themselves, I will ask them to continue their discussion, which must certainly be very important to them, outside the classroom. This does not bother me even if the students feel that I am being very unfair and overly sensitive.

Course Schedule:

Nota bene: The topics indicated are subject to modification based on the needs of the class and of the texts read in class.

WEEKS AND DAYS	TOPICS
1: Sept 2-6	Introduction to course; cum Clauses
2: Sept 9-13	Cum Clauses and Ablative Absolute
3: Sept 16-20	Adverbial conjunctions and clauses
4: Sept 23-27	Indicative/subjunctive in dependent clauses
5: Sept 30-Oct 4	Clauses of proviso
6: Oct 7-11	Accusative of exclamation
7: Oct 14-18	Gerund and Gerundive to show purpose
8: Oct 21-25	Impersonal verbs
9: Oct 28-Nov 1	Interest and Refert
10: Nov 4-8	Clauses of Fearing
11: Nov 11-15	Clauses of Doubting
12: Nov 18-22	Clauses of Prevention
13: Nov 25-29	Subjunctive by Attraction
14: Dec 2-6	Futurum esse ut; fore ut
15: Dec 9-13	The Historical Infinitive