



School of Art History, Classics and Religious Studies
Classics Programme

LATI 214
Latin Literature and Language B
CRN 2052
TRIMESTER 2 2011
11 July–12 November 2011

Trimester dates

Teaching dates: 11 July–14 October 2011

Mid-trimester break: 22 August–4 September 2011

Study week: 17 October–21 October 2011

Examination/Assessment period: 21 October–12 November 2011

Students enrolling in LATI 214 must be able to attend an examination at the University at any time during the scheduled examination period (21 October to 12 November 2011).

Withdrawal dates

Information on withdrawals and refunds may be found at

<http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/admisenrol/payments/withdrawalsrefunds.aspx>

Names and contact details

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Office hour:	Friday, 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Class times and locations

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 16:10–17:00 p.m., OK 526

Course delivery

This course is taught via a seminar format in which the lecturer assists in explaining Latin grammar, vocabulary and translation; students participate fully in all activities such as explanation and learning, as well as reading and translating sentences and passages.

Communication of additional information

Changes and information will be announced in class; via Classics notice boards in Old Kirk level 5, opposite OK 504 and 505; or by email. Final examination timetables will be made available to students by the FHSS and Victoria University. It is the student's responsibility to obtain such information and respond appropriately.

Course prescription

An integrated course of literature and language to build on LATI 213 and further develop reading skills and literary appreciation.

Learning objectives

The aims of this course are to build on LATI 213 and thereby to increase:

- (i) understanding of the Latin language
- (ii) fluency in the reading of Latin
- (iii) knowledge and critical appreciation of Latin literature.

Students who pass this integrated course of Latin language and literature will have improved their abilities to understand and to read Latin more easily and to appreciate Latin literature. Both students and lecturer will be able to evaluate progress in realising these objectives via the assessment exercises listed below.

Assessment

LATI 214 is assessed by a combination of internal assessment (50%) and a final exam (50%).

IN-TERM TESTS: 30%

Each is worth 10% of your grade; your three best scores are counted for a total out of 30%.

Tuesday 9 August 2011: unseen translation, 30 minutes

Thursday 18 August 2011: seen translation (Livy, Vergil, Ovid), 50 minutes

Tuesday 20 September: unseen translation, 30 minutes

Thursday 13 October 2011: seen translation (Caesar), 50 minutes

ESSAY: 20%

Due 5pm, Friday 14 October

An essay on *De Bello Gallico* VI (1500–2000 words), with possible topics to be discussed with the lecturer. Assignments should be placed in the assignment box outside OK 508. Never throw out notes or drafts of an assignment until you have received your marked essay.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION: 50%

A 3-hour examination to be held at a time determined by the FHSS. The examination will consist of both seen and unseen passages (prose and poetry) covering the authors and passages read in the *Oxford Latin Reader* and Caesar's *De Bello Gallico* VI. In addition to translation, some grammatical identification, commentary, and scansion will be required. The examination/assessment period runs from 21 October to 12 November 2011.

Penalties

All in-term tests must be taken on the day set, unless there are medical or other demonstrable extenuating circumstances. Variances will be considered upon application—preferably before the event. Essays submitted late without an extension will be penalised 5% (one letter grade) per working day and may be returned with minimal or no comments.

Mandatory course requirements

To obtain a pass mark in LATI 214, students must sit all in-term tests, submit an essay, and sit the final examination.

Workload

Students are recommended to spend a minimum, on average, of 13 hours per week on this course, allowing for a higher workload in the week leading up to a test or in which the essay is due, and allowing also for exam revision.

Essential texts

Balme, M., and Morwood, J., *Oxford Latin Reader* (Oxford University Press)

Caesar, *Gallic War VI* (Bristol Classical Press)

Caesar, *The Gallic War*, translated by Carolyn Hammond (Oxford University Press)

All undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from the Memorial Theatre foyer from 4 July to 22 July 2011, while postgraduate textbooks and student notes will be available from the top floor of vicbooks in the Student Union Building, Kelburn Campus. After week two of the trimester all undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from vicbooks on Level 4 of the Student Union Building.

Customers can order textbooks and student notes online at www.vicbooks.co.nz or can email an order or enquiry to enquiries@vicbooks.co.nz. Books can be couriered to customers or they can be picked up from nominated collection points at each campus. Customers will be contacted when they are available. Opening hours are 8.00 am – 6.00 pm, Monday – Friday during term time (closing at 5.00 pm in the holidays). Phone: 463 5515.

Academic Integrity and Plagiarism

Academic integrity means that university staff and students, in their teaching and learning are expected to treat others honestly, fairly and with respect at all times. It is not acceptable to mistreat academic, intellectual or creative work that has been done by other people by representing it as your own original work.

Academic integrity is important because it is the core value on which the University's learning, teaching and research activities are based. Victoria University's reputation for academic integrity adds value to your qualification.

The University defines plagiarism as presenting someone else's work as if it were your own, whether you mean to or not. 'Someone else's work' means anything that is not your own idea. Even if it is presented in your own style, you must acknowledge your sources fully and appropriately. This includes:

- Material from books, journals or any other printed source
- The work of other students or staff
- Information from the internet
- Software programs and other electronic material
- Designs and ideas
- The organisation or structuring of any such material

Find out more about plagiarism, how to avoid it and penalties, on the University's website: <http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/plagiarism.aspx>

Class Representative

A class representative will be elected in the first class, and that person's name and contact details will be available to VUWSA, the Course Coordinator and the class.

WHERE TO FIND MORE DETAILED INFORMATION

Find key dates, explanations of grades and other useful information at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study. Find out how academic progress is monitored and how enrolment can be restricted at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/academic-progress. Most statutes and policies are available at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about/policy, except qualification statutes, which are available via the *Calendar* webpage at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/calendar.aspx (See Section C).

Other useful information for students may be found at the website of the Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Academic), at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about_victoria/avcademic.