

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES SCHOOL OF ART HISTORY, CLASSICS & RELIGIOUS STUDIES

CLASSICS PROGRAMME LATI 213: LATIN LITERATURE AND LANGUAGE A

TRIMESTER 1 2013 4 March – 3 July 2013

Trimester dates

Teaching dates: 4 March to 7 June 2013 Easter break: 28 March to 3 April 2013 Mid-trimester break: 22–28 April 2013

Study week: 10-14 June 2013

Examination/Assessment Period: 14 June to 3 July 2013

N.B.: Students enrolling in LATI 213 must be able to attend an examination at the University at any time during the scheduled examination period.

Withdrawal dates

Information on withdrawals and refunds may be found at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/admisenrol/payments/withdrawlsrefunds

Names and contact details

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Note: I do not check email outside of normal working hours, i.e. 9am-5pm weekdays.

Class times and locations

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 12:00–12:50 p.m., MY 105

Course prescription

An integrated course of literature and language designed to enhance the ability of students to read Latin more easily and develop an appreciation of Latin Literature.

Teaching/learning summary

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 general information will be announced in class and via Blackboard, and by email if necessary. Emergency changes and course information will be posted on the lecture room door when necessary as well as on Blackboard and by email if necessary. Final examination timetables will be available to students when posted by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and Victoria University. It is the student's responsibility to obtain such information and to respond appropriately.

Learning objectives

The aims of this course are to build on LATI 104 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.

Expected workload

Students are recommended to spend a minumum, on average, of 12–14 hours per week on this course, allowing for a higher workload in the week leading up to a test, and allowing also for revision in the mid-trimester break. This would typically include four hours attending class, six hours preparing for class, and two hours revising.

Required reading

M. Balme & J. Morwood, Oxford Latin Course, Part III, 2nd edition (OUP)

M. Balme & J. Morwood, Oxford Latin Reader (OUP)

All undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from the Memorial Theatre Foyer from 11 February to 15 March 2013, while postgraduate textbooks and student notes will be available from vicbooks' new store, Ground Floor Easterfield Building, Kelburn Parade. After week two of the trimester all undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from vicbooks, Easterfield 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.

Assessment requirements

LATI 213 is 60% internally assessed, with the final examination accounting for the remaining 40%.

(a) SHORT GRAMMAR TESTS IN WEEKS 2, 3, 5, 6, 8; 10% EACH, BEST 4 COUNT:

40%

(B) TEST ON READER IN WEEK 10 (CAESAR AND CICERO):

20%

(c) Final Examination (2 Hours) in examination period on all material covered:

40%

Examination period for first trimester: 14 June-3 July 2013.

The assessments are designed to provide a final grade, as well as allow both student and lecturer to evaluate progress in accomplishing the objectives of the course in three key areas:

- memorising vocabulary and grammar;
- understanding how vocabulary and grammar are used, through translation of simple sentences of Latin into English or English into Latin;
- applying the student's knowledge, through translation of longer passages from Latin into English.

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.

Mandatory course requirements

To pass LATI 213, each student must:

- (i) sit a minimum of four twenty-minute grammar tests;
- (ii) sit the thirty-minute test on the reader in week 10;
- (iii) sit the final examination.

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.

Statement on legibility

Students are expected to write clearly. Where work is deemed 'illegible', the options are:

- the student will be given a photocopy of the work and asked to transcribe it to an acceptable standard (preferably typed) within a specified time frame after which penalties will apply;
- the student will be given a photocopy of the work and asked to transcribe it to an acceptable standard (preferably typed) and lateness penalties apply;
- if the student does not transcribe it to an acceptable standard, the work will be accepted as 'received' (so any associated mandatory course requirements are met) but not marked.

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

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/study/academic-progress. Most qualification statutes, which are available via the www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/calendar (See Section C).

Other useful information for students may be found at the Academic Office website, at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about/avcacademic.