



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF ART HISTORY, CLASSICS, AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

CLASSICS PROGRAMME LATI 333: Advanced Latin Literature 20 POINTS

TRIMESTER 2 2014

Important dates

Trimester dates: 14 July to 16 November 2014

Teaching dates: 14 July to 17 October 2014

Mid-trimester break: 25 August to 7 September 2014

Study week: 20–24 October 2014

Examination/Assessment Period: 24 October to 15 November 2014

Note: students who enroll in courses with examinations must be able to attend an examination at the University at any time during the scheduled examination period.

Withdrawal dates: Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds. If you cannot complete an assignment or sit a test or examination, refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats.

Class times and locations

LATI 333 meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 1.10-2pm
VZ 103

Names and contact details

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Communication of additional information

Additional information will be available via Classics Notice boards, announcements in class & via email.

Prescription

Literary and/or historical texts for translation, comment on subject matter, language and literary setting.

Course learning objectives (CLOs)

Students who pass LATI 333 should be able to:

1. Read advanced Latin texts with considerable fluency.
2. Comment critically on the use of language by the authors studied.
3. Identify the generic characteristics of historiographic and epic texts.
4. Demonstrate awareness of major scholarly topics associated with the set authors.
5. Comment on matters (here: political, social, ideological, etc.) discussed in the texts

Teaching format

The class will be taught as a small seminar. We will be examining and translating the Latin texts. Students are expected to attend all classes and to be active participants. Each student will also be making an assessed oral presentation to the class.

Mandatory course requirements

In addition to achieving an overall pass mark of 50%, students must:

1. Deliver a class presentation on a topic relevant to the class, chosen in consultation with the course instructors.
2. Complete a short commentary on a passage in Livy 6, chosen in consultation with the instructor.
3. Complete an essay on a topic associated with Virgil, *Aeneid* 8, chosen in consultation with the instructor.
4. Sit the final examination.

Workload

In order to complete the course successfully, an average student should expect to spend about 200 hours over the length of the trimester and reading/exam period. This includes 3 hours of class time and about 11 hours each week during the 12 weeks of term. Another 25 hours will be needed to prepare for the examination. Some weeks will be more labour intensive than others, and students will need to plan their time so the commentary, presentation, and essay are not too burdensome.

Assessment (Out of 100%) Assessment for LATI 333 comprises **50% internal assessment** and **50% external assessment (final examination)**

In-class Presentation (10%)

A ten-minute oral presentation of a topic or article to the class on a topic relevant to the course to be determined in consultation with the course coordinator and lecturer, with approximately half treating Livy (*Ab Urbe Condita*, Book 6) and half treating Vergil, (*Aeneid*, Book 8). Students will be assessed on the quality of information they convey and on the effectiveness of their oral delivery.

Grammatical/Content Commentary (20%)

A commentary on the grammar and/or content of a passage from Livy, *Ab Urbe Condita*, Book 6, approximately 1250-1500 words, chosen in consultation with the instructor, will be due Monday 8 September 2014, 5.00 pm.

Essay (20%)

An essay on Vergil's *Aeneid*, Book 8, on a subject to be determined in consultation with the course coordinator, 1500-2000 words in length, due Friday 17 October 2014, 5.00 pm.

Final Examination (50%)

A three-hour long examination paper will be held at the time determined by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (during the examination period, 24 October-15 November 2014). The examination will consist of translation of four seen passages, out of a selection of eight. Students will supply commentary on these four passages and answer grammatical questions. There will also be translation of one unseen passage.

Assessment items and workload per item		%	CLO(s)	Due date
1	In-class presentation [7 hours]	10%	4,5	TBA [final one to occur prior to end of week 9]
2	1500-2000 word grammatical/content commentary [18 hours]	20%	2,3,5	8 Sept
3	1500-2000 word essay [18 hours]	20%	2,3,4, 5	17 Oct
4	3-hour final examination [25 hours during the reading period]	50%	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	TBA (24/10-15/11)

Submission and return of work

Written commentaries and essays are to be submitted ONLY into the Classics Assessment Box outside OK 508, along with an assessment coversheet. In-class presentations will be assessed on the day presented and results returned within the week. Essays and commentaries will be returned within two weeks.

Return of Work: the commentary will be ready for collection two weeks after it has been submitted; the essay will be available either two weeks after submission or 48 hours before the examination, whichever is earlier.

Commentaries and essays may be collected from the Classics Administrator, Tania Hayes, in Old Kirk 508.

Extensions and penalties

Extensions

Extensions: extensions will be granted, where circumstances warrant them, only if permission is first sought, BEFORE THE DUE DATE, from the appropriate lecturer.

Extensions are usually only granted for illness (on production of a medical certificate) or for family bereavement (where production of evidence may be required). Students should note the granting of an extension and its date on their written work to avoid the possibility of being penalised for late submission.

Penalties

Students who do not appear for their presentation may be penalized the full value of the assignment.

Commentaries and essays submitted after the due date or the date of an approved extension may be penalised 2% for each day late (including weekends). Late work may also be awarded a grade only, without comments, and there is no guarantee that late assignments will be handed back before the final examination.

Under NO circumstances can any written work for LATI 333 be accepted after 22 October.

Work that exceeds the word limit may, at the marker's discretion, be marked only up to the word limit. While the word limit is a suggested maximum, it is likely that work that falls short of this limit by a substantial amount will be judged inadequate and receive a reduced mark.

Plagiarized work will not be accepted.

Set texts

Livy. *Ab Urbe Condita*, Book VI (Cambridge) (14 July – 22 August)

Vergil. *Aeneid*, Book VIII (Cambridge) (8 September-17 October)

Texts can be ordered at considerable savings on-line. You may also wish to consult the vicbooks website: www.vicbooks.co.nz.

Class representative

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course. Students may like to write the Class Rep's name and details in this box:

Class Rep name and contact details:

Student feedback

Enhancements made to this course, based on the feedback of previous students, will be covered during the course.

Student feedback on University courses may be found at

www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php.

Other important information

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Aegrotats: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats
- Academic Progress: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progress (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades

- Resolving academic issues: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Special passes: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/disability
- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Student Contract: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Subject Librarians: <http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian>
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: www.vuwsa.org.nz