

## Latin 1201- Intermediate Latin I: Catullus and Cicero: Fall 2010

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Course Information:

TTh 6:10 – 8:00 PM

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### **Prerequisites**

Latin V1101 and Latin V1102, or Latin V1121, or the equivalent. If you have any questions regarding your placement into this course, please see me individually.

### **Course Objectives**

This class will expose you to both prose and poetry to improve your understanding of Latin syntax and grammar. We will read selections from Catullus and from Cicero's Second Philippic. In addition to developing your ability to translate Latin, we will carefully examine the grammar and syntax of the texts at hand, as well as review more complex constructions in detail. We will also consider the context in which these authors were writing and basic literary features of their texts.

### **Method of Evaluation and Grading:**

#### **1) Attendance and Participation (25%)**

**Attendance** is mandatory for this class and will be noted at every meeting. Unexcused absences will harm your grade. Should you miss class due to illnesses, emergencies, religious holidays, etc., you must inform me before class and be prepared to bring concrete documentation to excuse your absence (e.g., a doctor's note). Attendance and participation will also be noted each session. The participation component of your grade will be based on the quality and consistency of your participation.

**Translation assignments** will be 60-100 lines of poetry and 2-3 pages of prose each week. Assignments will be shorter at the beginning of the semester and will gradually increase. Your in-class translation is a major component of your Attendance/Participation grade, so prepare carefully and thoroughly. You should aim to translate the assigned text orally without the aid of a written translation. Do not bring to class a full English translation that you have prepared, but feel free to use a word list as an aid for translating.

#### **2) Homework/Quizzes (25%)**

**Homework assignments** will be due at the beginning of class on alternate Tuesdays. These assignments will consist of grammar or vocabulary questions on a Latin passage from the previous week's reading. Unless you inform me well in advance, I will not accept late homework. Homework will be graded.

**Quizzes** will be held at the beginning of class on alternate Tuesdays. The format will be similar, with vocabulary and grammar questions relating to a Latin passage you will have already seen. I

will not offer makeup quizzes. Your lowest grade on a homework or quiz will be dropped at the end of the semester.

### **3) Midterm (25%)**

A midterm exam will be held in class on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. The format of this exam will be provided nearer to this date.

### **4) Final (25%)**

A final exam will be held Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Mark your calendars and do not arrange to leave the city until after this exam has been given. The format of the examination will be announced in the final classes of the semester. The exam will not be cumulative.

### **Required Books (available at Book Culture, 112th St. between Broadway and Amsterdam):**

- Garrison, D. H. 2004. *The Student's Catullus*. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press.
- Denniston, J.D. 1978. *Cicero: Philippics I & II*. London: Bristol Classical Press.
- In addition, I strongly encourage students to acquire a dictionary and grammar; I have placed orders at BookCulture for Bennett's *New Latin Grammar* and Bantam's *New College Latin and English Dictionary*, but feel free to use whichever texts best suit your needs.

### **Academic Integrity**

Academic dishonesty violates university policy and will not be tolerated. You are responsible for familiarizing yourself with Columbia University's policies on Academic Integrity, available in the online Bulletin located at <http://www.college.columbia.edu/bulletin/universitypolicies.php>.

### **Students with Disabilities**

In order to receive disability-related academic accommodations, students must first be registered with the Office of Disability Services (ODS). Please refer to [www.health.columbia.edu/ods](http://www.health.columbia.edu/ods) for further information on the ODS registration process. Registered students must present an accommodation letter and any other necessary documentation to the instructor before exams are administered or other accommodations can be provided. Students are encouraged to register within the first two weeks of the semester to ensure that reasonable accommodations can be made for that term.

### **Classroom Environment**

Respectful and civil interaction between the students and the instructor and among students is an absolute necessity. Cell phones ruin classroom learning and discussion. Please turn them off and do not use them. Similarly, eating food during class is distracting - while I understand if you need to eat something during the class period, please stick to foods that don't smell or make a mess. There will be a five to ten minute break each class.

## **Reading Schedule (subject to change)**

T Sept. 6: Introduction to Latin 1201 and Catullus, Catullus 1  
Th Sept. 8: Catullus 2, 3

T Sept. 13 Catullus 5, 7, and 8, Homework #1 due  
Th Sept. 15 Catullus 10, 13

T Sept. 20 Catullus 50, 51, 75, Quiz #1  
Th Sept. 22 Catullus 11 and 16

T Sept. 27 Catullus 79, 85, 101, Homework #2 due  
Th Sept. 29 Catullus 4 and 46

T Oct. 4 Catullus 64.124-163 (Read lines 1-123 in English), Quiz #2  
Th Oct. 6 Catullus 64.164-201 (Read lines 202-end in English)

T Oct. 11 Catullus 63 (1-50), Homework #3 due  
Th Oct. 13 Catullus 63 (51-end)

T Oct. 18 Catullus 9, 57, and 94, Quiz #3  
Th Oct. 20 Catullus 93, 114, 115

T Oct. 25 Catullus 49, Review, Homework #4 due  
Th Oct. 27 **Midterm**

T Nov. 1 Introduction to Cicero and Cicero Second Philippic 1-2  
Th Nov. 3 Cicero S.P. 44-7

T Nov. 8 **No Class (Election Day)**  
Th Nov. 10 Cicero S.P. 63-7, Quiz #5

T Nov. 15 Cicero S.P. 68-72, Homework #6 due  
Th Nov. 17 Cicero S.P. 51-5

T Nov. 22 Cicero S.P. 84-7, Quiz #6  
Th Nov. 24 **No Class (Thanksgiving Holiday)**

T Nov. 29 Cicero S.P. 21-4 Homework #7 due  
Th Dec. 1 Cicero S.P. 25-7

T Dec. 6 Cicero S.P. 28-32, Quiz #7  
Th Dec. 8 Cicero S.P. 115-9

TBA Review (optional)

**\*\*Final Exam – Tues Dec 20th, 7:10-10:00 PM\*\***