

LAT 101 H1F Lo201

Introductory Latin

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Course website: portal.utoronto.ca (Blackboard)

Course Goals

This course forms the first half of an intensive introduction to Classical Latin, in which you will develop and master a foundational knowledge of Latin grammar, syntax, and vocabulary, gaining the ability to translate short passages of prose from Latin to English, and vice versa.

Grading

Class participation (attendance, preparation, participation)	10%
Vocabulary quizzes (10 total)	5%
Translation assignments (10 total)	20%
Two in-class tests , each worth 15% (Oct. 17 and Nov. 28)	30%
Final exam (date TBA)	<u>35%</u>
Total	100%

Assignments

Class participation: You are encouraged and expected to participate actively in the classroom. Participation marks will be based on: attendance, timeliness, preparation (bringing textbooks to class, assignments completed, vocabulary memorized, etc.), and readiness to respond when called upon.

Vocabulary quizzes: During Weeks 2–12, eleven short vocabulary quizzes will be given at the beginning of class on the first class of the week. The quizzes will be composed of a list of English words, and you will give their Latin equivalents. The quiz with the lowest mark will be dropped from the calculation of your final grade for the class.

Translation assignments: There will be eleven homework assignments during Weeks 2–12 in which you will translate sentences from English into Latin, and vice versa. The sentences will be assigned weekly and will be due on Wednesdays at the beginning of class. The assignment with the lowest mark will be dropped from the calculation of your final grade for the class.

Late assignments: Assignments turned in late or electronically cannot be accepted or graded.

In-class tests: There will be two in-class tests. The first, on October 17, will cover Chapters 1–10, and the second, on November 28, will cover Chapters 11–20; each test is worth 15% of your final grade for the class, for a total of 30%. Before Test 1, you will be given a practice test to assist you in studying and preparing for the graded exam.

Missed quizzes, assignments, and tests: Tests, assignments, and quizzes may be excused (but not retaken or handed in late) only in cases of medical or personal emergencies, or for religious obligations. In all cases, proper documentation needs to be provided within one week in order for the instructor to excuse the absence. The weight of the missed quiz, assignment, or test will be added to the weight of the next such item on the schedule.

Final examination: The final exam will held in conjunction with the other four sections of LAT 101 H1F at a date to be announced between December 9 and 20. The final exam is worth 35% of your final grade for the class.

Textbooks and Resources

Required Texts

Wheelock's Latin, by Frederic M. Wheelock and Richard A. LaFleur. 6th ed., revised. New York: Collins Reference, 2008. ISBN: 9780060783716 (hardcover: 9780060784232)

Workbook for Wheelock's Latin, by Paul T. Comeau and Richard A. LaFleur. New York: Collins Reference, 2005. ISBN: 9780060956424

Latin Stories Designed to Accompany Wheelock's Latin, by Anne H. Groton and James M. May. 5th edition. Mundelein, IL: Bolchazy-Carducci, 2004. ISBN: 9780865162891

Recommended Text and Resources

English Grammar for Students of Latin, by Norma Goldman and Ladislas Szymanski. Ann Arbor, MI: Olivia and Hill Press, 2004. ISBN: 9780934034340

Traditional Grammatical Terminology: Latin, by A.G. Rigg. 1991.
individual.utoronto.ca/ajhicks/grammar_html.html

Everyone is expected to purchase personal copies of the three required textbooks at the University of Toronto Bookstore. A separate Latin-English/English-Latin dictionary is not required for this class, since the textbook contains a vocabulary at the end, but may prove useful later if you plan to continue your study of the language.

Important Information

Course website: The course website is found on Blackboard, which may be accessed via the U of T Portal login page (portal.utoronto.ca). (If you have not used your UTORid before, see utorid.utoronto.ca for information on activation and setting your password.) Login with your UTORid and password and look for this course under the **My Courses** box on the right. Please check the website on a regular basis for important announcements and supplementary materials.

Course email: You must use your university email address for correspondence in this course; the instructor is unable to respond to emails sent from other addresses. (Please be aware that if your U of T email is forwarded to another account, some messages from the instructor may be filtered out as spam or junk.) Please be sure to include your full name and the course title in your email message. The instructor will aim to reply to emails within forty-eight hours on weekdays, but this may not always be possible.

Meetings: Everyone is welcome to meet with the instructor during office hours or contact her through email to discuss any questions or concerns. If you are encountering difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact the instructor for assistance. The instructor is unable to give private tutorials to individuals.

In the classroom: You are expected to participate in maintaining a respectful, supportive classroom atmosphere. Any cell phones and other noise-making electronic devices must be turned off during class. Texting and web surfing are a distraction to other students and will result in a reduction of your participation mark.

Accessibility Services: Information on accommodations for disabilities or accessibility concerns is available from Accessibility Services at accessibility.utoronto.ca.

Important dates:

Fall term: Monday, September 12–Wednesday, December 7

Exam period: December 9–20

No class: Monday, October 10 (*Thanksgiving*); Monday, November 7 (*November Break*)

Course Schedule

Week	Monday	Topic	Wednesday	Topic
1	Sept. 12	Introduction, Ch. 1	Sept. 14	Ch. 2
2	Sept. 19	Ch. 3–4 Vocabulary Quiz 1	Sept. 21	Ch. 5 Assignment 1 due
3	Sept. 26	Ch. 6 Vocabulary Quiz 2	Sept. 28	Ch. 7 Assignment 2 due
4	Oct. 3	Ch. 8 Vocabulary Quiz 3	Oct. 5	Ch. 9 Assignment 3 due
5	Oct. 10	Thanksgiving (No Class)	Oct. 12	Ch. 10 Vocabulary Quiz 4 Assignment 4 due
6	Oct. 17	Test 1(Ch. 1–10)	Oct. 19	Ch. 11 Vocabulary Quiz 5 Assignment 5 due
7	Oct. 24	Ch. 12 Vocabulary Quiz 6	Oct. 26	Ch. 13 Assignment 6 due
8	Oct. 31	Ch. 14 Vocabulary Quiz 7	Nov. 2	Ch. 15 Assignment 7 due
9	Nov. 7	Nov. Break (No Class)	Nov. 9	Ch. 16 Vocabulary Quiz 8 Assignment 8 due
10	Nov. 14	Ch. 17 Vocabulary Quiz 9	Nov. 16	Ch. 18 Assignment 9 due
11	Nov. 21	Ch. 19 Vocabulary Quiz 10	Nov. 23	Ch. 20 Assignment 10 due
12	Nov. 28	Test 2 (Ch. 11–20)	Nov. 30	Ch. 21 Vocabulary Quiz 11 Assignment 11 due
13	Dec. 5	Ch. 22	Dec. 7	Review