

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH, FALL 2020
SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES & LITERATURES
LAT*1100: Preliminary Latin I
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COURSE OUTLINE

Prerequisite: none

Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed on the first day of the semester.

This course will be delivered synchronously three times per week since it is important that you maintain pace with the material being covered. The learning of any language is a progressive and incremental process. Hence the need for regular exposure to the language and consistent review of the work completed.

Course objectives:

- to introduce students (without prior knowledge) to the Latin language to enable them to read with fluency Latin texts written over more than two millennia once the upper Latin courses are completed.
- to identify and analyze the essential forms, grammar, and syntax of the Latin language including:
 - the use of cases and parts of speech
 - declension of nouns and adjectives
 - conjugation of verbs in the present, imperfect, and future tenses
- to construct an introductory Latin vocabulary (approx. 1000 words)
- to translate passages of Latin prose into idiomatic English with some vocabulary aid
- to infer the meaning of English words using his/her knowledge of Latin vocabulary
- to demonstrate knowledge of some aspects of Roman civilisation, using adapted written texts

- for many, to gain a better understanding of their native language

Required Texts:

Wheelock's Latin, F.M. Wheelock and R. Lafleur (Harper Collins, 2011) 7th Edition.

Wheelock's Latin Reader. Selections from Latin Literature. F.M. Wheelock and R.A. Lafleur (Harper Collins, 2011) 2nd Edition.

Evaluation:

Weekly quizzes: 30%

Homework [and participation?]: 20%

Final Exam: 50%