



Latin I Syllabus Mr. Will Gilbert

Contact Information

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Course Description

Latin I is an introduction to the fundamentals of the language. In this course, students will develop a basic ability to sight-read Latin. Additionally, students will gain a rudimentary understanding of the components of the language: nouns, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions and verbs. Students will be introduced to Roman culture and civilization. By the end of the course, students will be able to excel at the National Latin Exam. Successful completion of Latin I will give students a strong foundation not only for future Latin courses, but also for science and English courses.

Course Sequence

Fall Semester

	Unit Title	Major Reading(s)
I	Introduction to the Basic Paragraph	Romulus et Remus
II	Verbs and Sentence Construction	Plautus' <i>Menaechmi</i>
III	Introduction to Roman Comedy	Terence's <i>Adelphoe</i>
IV	Descriptive Language	Cicero's <i>De Officiis</i>
V	Passive Voice, Personal Letters	Cicero's Letters to Terentia
VI	Irregular Verbs and Critical Reading	Caesar's <i>De Druidibus</i>

Spring Semester

VII	Roman Poetry	Catullus' <i>Carmen II</i>
VIII	Roman History	Nepos' <i>De Viris Illustribus</i>
IX	Roman Oratory	Sallust's <i>De Coniuratione Catilinae</i>
X	Roman Epic	Vergil's <i>Aeneid</i>
XI	Women in Roman Society	Vergil's <i>Aeneid</i>
XII	Medicine and Latin	Translations of Galen and Vesalius
XIII	Legendary History	Livy's <i>Ab Urbe Condita</i>

Classroom Expectations

All of the expectations in this class stem from our Core Values. These expectations are in addition to the rules/expectations laid out in the Student Handbook.

- 1) **Mores Fortes Academici:** Have **Strong Academic Habits** by actively participating to the best of your ability. Don't give up when things get hard.
- 2) **Dignitas et Reverentia:** **Respect** yourself, your teacher, your classmates, and the classroom. Treat them as you want to be treated.
- 3) **Integritas et Bonitas:** Show your **Integrity** by being true to yourself and acting honorably. This includes being honest and asking for help.
- 4) **Misericordia et Ethicae:** Maintain **Compassion and Ethics** as a driving force for your interactions. Be a good person.
- 5) **Curiositas Intellectuales:** Be **Intellectually Curious**. Push yourself to go beyond the assignment.
- 6) **Continentia et Abstinencia:** Be prompt and prepared; utilize **Self-Discipline**.

Technology Policy

Use the school-provided technology, or your own technology, to access and participate in all classes. Unless being utilized for the class (for a kahoot, e.g.), stay off your phone or other distracting technologies.

Microsoft Teams Information

All assignments and announcements can be found on Microsoft Teams. Your assignments should be submitted in Teams. If you ever have an issue submitting this way, please send me an email with your assignment. The specifics will always be on Microsoft Teams. I should have added all of you to the class in advance of our first meeting. If this didn't happen for some reason, please email me to request access.

Grading Policies

Your grade in my class will be cumulative throughout the semester. There will be multiple assessments in each unit. Each assessment and assignment has been given because of its importance in attaining the objectives of the course. Because of this, they should be completed to the best of your abilities in a timely manner.

Grades will be updated weekly in SIS. If you don't know where you stand, please ask me. Your grades are important, so keep up with them. My hope is that your grade is an accurate reflection of how you are currently doing in my class.

Grade Weights	
Tests	36%
Quizzes	27%
Classwork/Homework	27%
Semester Final	10%

Grading Scale	
A	90-100%
B	80-89%
C	70-79%
D	65-70%
F	<65%

Late Work Policy

- 1) Don't have late work.
- 2) If you do and you have told me in advance, we can make arrangements for completion without penalty.
- 3) If you do and you have a legitimate emergency, we can make arrangements for completion without penalty.
- 4) If you do and #2 & 3 don't apply, you have one week to turn in the late assignment with a 20% penalty.
- 5) It is your responsibility to arrange to make up quizzes or tests. They will all be announced in advance.

Academic Honesty Policy

All cheating results in a zero and contacting parents. You will still be required to make up the assignment for a grade that will count just as much as the zero. Just don't cheat; it's not worth it. If you need help, ask.