Syllabus - Latin 101 & 102

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Office hours: MW 2:30-3:00 p.m. in the regularly scheduled classroom. Students are strongly encouraged these sessions so that material may be covered in greater depth than is possible in class.

Texts: Lingua Latina I (our workbook; required). A good Latin-English dictionary and a systematic grammar are strongly recommended. English Grammar for Students of Latin, invaluable for those without a strong foundation in English grammar, is available in the campus bookstore.

Examinations: Short quizzes every class period, three midterms (75 mins.) and a final exam (2 hrs.). There will be no make-up quizzes, and quizzes missed will count as F's. Midterms must be taken in class at their scheduled times. In cases of foreseeable conflicts of schedule students who wish to take a make-up exam must notify me before the regularly scheduled exam. Only major (and documented) emergencies are excepted from this.

Grading for quizzes and exams:

- 91-100% = A
- 81-90% = B
- 71-80% = C
- 61-70% = D
- 0-60% = F

Homework: Homework consists of review of material covered in class, and memorization. Students should be prepared to spend a regular amount of time on home-work each day; two hours is a workable and sensible average.

Class Participation: Students are strongly encouraged to participate in discussions, volunteer for translations, and ask questions. A student's grade is usually directly related to attentiveness, interest in the subject, etc. Remember, too, that you’ll make life much easier for yourself before quizzes and exams if you are active in class! Class participation may be decisive in determining a borderline grade.
Attendance at every class is essential for successful work (i.e., any grade above D). Students are responsible for all material covered in class, exercises assigned as homework, and for memorization of vocabulary and grammar.

**Important Reminder:** All university regulations governing occurrences of academic dishonesty, grades of incomplete, etc. apply to this course; students are responsible for being acquainted with these rules. In case of doubt, please consult me.

**A Final Note:** If I can be of any assistance to you, either academically or otherwise, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me. You are welcome to stop by before class (office hours) to review assigned material, work on translations, or discuss the ancient world or the field of Classical Studies.