

LATIN (580)101: ELEMENTARY LATIN
Summer 2011
MTWThF, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, SC 219

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REQUIRED TEXTS:

1- Frederic M. Wheelock, *Wheelock's Latin*, 6th edition, Revised.

All texts are available at the Rutgers University Bookstore at Ferren Mall on Albany Street,
Phone: (732) 246-8448. You may also order them online.

THE COURSE:

Latin 101 is the first half of a two term Elementary Latin course designed to teach the basics of Latin grammar to those who have not previously studied the language or who may have forgotten what Latin they once knew. Elementary Latin introduces the complete noun and verb systems (the five declensions and four conjugations) and the fundamental rules of Latin grammar and syntax and provides considerable practice in reading simple Latin prose. By the end of the summer, students who successfully complete both parts of the course (Latin 101 and 102) will have acquired a sufficient capability in the language in order to: 1) take intermediate-level Latin courses at most colleges and universities (Latin 203 and 204 are offered at Rutgers); 2) read easy authors more or less independently.

ASSIGNMENTS:

We will aim to cover the first twenty chapters of *Wheelock* in 101. Outside of class you will be expected to review material recently covered carefully, memorize recent vocabulary, and complete written assignments. Written assignments must be completed by the following class meeting.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY.

Unexcused absences: Due to the nature of summer courses, no unexcused absences will be allowed without a deduction from your grade.

Excused absences: 1) Absences due to sickness, injury, or family emergency may be excused with a signed note from the university health center or your dean of college. 2) In some cases, planned absences (e.g. for religious observance) may be allowed. Students requesting a planned absence must contact the instructor AT LEAST one week (7 days) in advance of the expected absence and must complete a makeup assignment determined by instructor along with all other assigned tasks due the day **PRIOR** to your absence.

For both excused and unexcused absences you are responsible for obtaining and completing missed assignments.

REMEMBER – Make-up quizzes and exams will be longer and more difficult. It is to your extreme disadvantage to miss test and exam days for any reason. Make-ups must be taken within one week of your return to class.

For the tests or final exam, only the original copy of a medical excuse, signed by a doctor of medicine, will be accepted as an excuse for absence. Any other form of excuse must receive the clearance of the appropriate dean's office and must be signed by a dean. Ordinary dental treatment should not be scheduled at the time of a class or on the day of an exam or on the day before an exam. Only emergency dental treatment will be accepted as an excuse and only on the basis of the original copy of a dental excuse, which must be signed by a dentist. Do not book airline tickets for a day of a class or an exam. A non-refundable, unchangeable ticket is not an excuse for missing a class or a quiz or an exam.

GRADING:

Each of the following components will determine a fraction of the final grade out of 1000 points:

- a. Participation/Homework- 200 pts.
- b. Quizzes- 300 pts. (20 quizzes, lowest 5 dropped, 20 pts. each)
- c. Hour Tests (Midterms)- 400 pts. (5 tests, 80 pts. each)
- d. Final examination- 100 pts.

1) Homework and class participation (200 pts): Active participation (i.e. being willing and often able to answer questions and also to ask them) at all class meetings is required. Written homework, when assigned, must be completed for the next class meeting; these assignments may be collected. Homework will generally be assigned after each class meeting and gone over in the following class meeting. At the instructor's discretion (and without prior announcement), assignments will be taken in and graded each week.

2) Quizzes (300 pts.): Daily quizzes (15 minutes) will be administered in class. Your five lowest-scoring quiz will not be counted towards your final grade. There will be fifteen total quizzes counted towards the grade.

3) Midterms (400 pts.): Five 60-minute tests (80 pts. each) are scheduled for every Friday (June 3, June 10, June 17, June 24, July 1).

4) Final examination (100 pts.): The final examination, like the hour tests, will be cumulative; that is, each will be designed to cover all the material presented in the course to date. It will be on the last day of class (July 8).

N.B. You must complete every component to receive a grade in this course.

N.B. I do NOT negotiate grades.

Points will be turned into letter grades according to the following scheme:

A	925-1000
B+	865-924
B	825-864
C+	765-824
C	725-764
D	665-724

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES:

Below is a brief provisional schedule of classes noting the chapters from *Wheelock* that we will cover each week. I will announce homework assignments and quizzes in class.

	Chapter(s)	
Week 1	1-3	May 31- June 3
Week 2	4-7	June 6-10
Week 3	8-11	June 13-17
Week 4	12-15	June 20-24
Week 5	16-19	June 27-July 1
Week 6	21	July 5-8

Final Exam: July 8, 2011, 10 AM, SC 219

Note: Monday, July 4th, 2011, is a University holiday. We may also have a mid-term review day, pending class discussion, and that will alter the schedule.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES:

If you are a university athlete, please let me know.

Under Federal Law, the University is required to provide reasonable academic accommodations to students with documentable disabilities, in legally defined categories. If you have special needs in this course, please have your College coordinator contact me by the end of the first week of classes.

Only students who have paid for their courses are allowed to attend Summer Session courses.

Make sure you are aware of the University's regulations concerning academic dishonesty and plagiarism. <http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/>