

**UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY  
FACULTY OF ARTS  
DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS AND RELIGION**

**COURSE OUTLINE – Fall 2017**

**COURSE:** LATI205 – THE LATIN OF SCIENCE I  
**TIME PLACE OF CLASS:** MWF 16:00 – 17:15 SB 105  
**INSTRUCTORS:** Marcelo Epstein and Ruth Spivak  
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**COURSE PREREQUISITES:**

This course is introductory and has no formal prerequisites. Nevertheless, a thorough acquaintance with the principles of English grammar is expected from the participants. Please note that this course includes a comprehensive introduction to Latin grammar and, consequently, it demands a serious commitment from the student.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

After successfully completing this course and its follow-up (LATI 207), students will have learned enough Latin grammar and syntax to be able to translate ancient, medieval and modern scientific texts from the original Latin. The pace of the course is rather intense and a considerable amount of memorization is beneficial to those aspiring to attain a reasonable level of fluency. This course should be of interest to all those concerned with the development of science and technology whether from a historical, scientific or philosophical perspective.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Comprehensive notes will be distributed in class. Students wishing to further explore the details of Classical Latin grammar and style can do so by consulting, for example, Wheelock's "Latin". Another useful book is "English Grammar for Students of Latin", by Goldman and Szymanski. Both texts are in stock at the University of Calgary Bookstore. Students should avail themselves of a good Latin-English dictionary. For its ease of use, portability and convenient price we recommend The Bantam New College Latin & English Dictionary (English and Latin Edition, 706 pages). A more comprehensive excellent alternative is Cassell's Standard Latin Dictionary (912 pages).

**GRADING**

The grading will be determined on the basis of the following components:

Class participation	5%
Mid-term test	20%
Assignments	25%
Final exam	50%

There will be 3 assignments of equal weight (8.333% each), with the following due dates: October 2, November 6 and December 4, 2017. The in-class mid-term will take place on November 17, 2017. The in-class final exam is scheduled for the last day of classes on December 8, 2017.

Letter grades will be determined in accordance with the following ranges: A (90 or more), A- (85 to 89), B+ (80 to 84), B (75 to 79), B- (70 to 74), C+ (65 to 69), C (60 to 64), C- (55 to 59), D+ (53 to 54), D (50 to 52), F (under 50).

### **Academic Honesty**

Plagiarism is not tolerated at the University of Calgary and has serious consequences. Your essays/presentations must be your own work and inadequate referencing may be seen as plagiarism. Please see the relevant sections on Academic Misconduct in the current University Calendar (section K, which can be found here:

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>). If you have questions about correct referencing, please consult your instructor, or librarian staff.

### **Student Accommodations**

The student accommodation policy can be found at: [ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy](http://ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy).

Students needing an Accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities [ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy](http://ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy).

Students needing an Accommodation based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the course instructor.

### **Desire 2 Learn (D2L) Help**

Go to <http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/desire2learn/home/students> for Student Help and FAQ's about D2L. Troubleshooting tips and a tutorial are also available on this website.

### **Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources**

- For program planning and advice, students in the Faculty of Arts will contact The Arts Students' Centre (ASC). Drop in at SS102, call at 403-220-3580 or email at [ascarts@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ascarts@ucalgary.ca). You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library.

### **Freedom of Information and Privacy**

This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP): <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>

The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act indicates that assignments given by you to your course instructor will remain confidential unless otherwise stated before submission. The assignment cannot be returned to anyone else without your express permission. Similarly, any information about yourself that you share with your course instructor will not be given to anyone else without your permission. As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all

written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page.

### **Student Ombudsperson and Students' Union Representative**

The Student Ombuds Office provides independent, impartial and confidential support for students who require assistance and advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. See [www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds](http://www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds) for more information.

The Students' Union Faculty of Arts representative can be reached at [arts1@ucalgary.ca](mailto:arts1@ucalgary.ca).

### **Emergency Evacuation Assembly Point**

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at [www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints](http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints). Please check this website and not the nearest assembly point for this course.

### **Safewalk**

The Safewalk program provides volunteers to walk students safely to their destination anywhere on campus (including McMahon Stadium, Health Sciences, Student Family Housing, the Alberta Children's Hospital and the University LRT station). This service is free and available to students, staff and campus visitors 24 hrs/day, 365 days a year. Call 403-220-5333 or use one of the Help phones located throughout campus to request a walk.