

Fall 2012
MWF 12:00-1:00pm
WAG 308

Second-Year Latin II
LAT 312 (unique #33450)

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TEXTBOOKS:

Required

- Shapiro, S. *O Tempora! O Mores!: Cicero's Catilinarian Orations, A Student Edition with Historical Essays*. University of Oklahoma Press, 2005. ISBN: 9780806136622
- Bennett, C. *New Latin Grammar*. Bolchazy-Carducci, 1994. ISBN: 9780865162617
- A good Latin-English dictionary, such as Lewis, *An Elementary Latin Dictionary* (Oxford) or Chambers Murray *Latin-English Dictionary* (Chambers).

Recommended

- Woodman, A.J. (trans.), *Catiline's War, The Jugurthine War, Histories*. Penguin 2007.

You must buy the required text books (and the required edition) and you must bring the Shapiro text to class every day.

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:

This course will be devoted to refining and extending the student's knowledge of Latin through reading two complete speeches by Rome's most famous orator, Marcus Tullius Cicero. **Our main focus will be on mastering Latin grammar, expanding vocabulary, and learning to read Latin prose quickly and accurately.** To that end, we will read two of Cicero's speeches against Catiline, the leader of a conspiracy against Rome in 63 BCE. To aid our appreciation of Cicero's work, we will read secondary literature discussing Roman history and orators.

Students will also write detailed grammatical commentaries on short passages from the works by Cicero in an effort to familiarize themselves with using Bennett's *New Latin Grammar* and reading without the aid of a grammatical commentary.

Reading aloud and memorization will be practiced regularly in appreciation of Roman oratory. By the end of this course, students should also have gained an understanding of the historical context in which Cicero wrote the *Catilinarians* and the importance of his speeches as a historical and literary source for ancient Rome.

COURSE STRUCTURE AND GRADING

Final Grade weighting (see supplementary materials for details)

In-class participation: 10%

Weekly quizzes, pop quizzes, and homework: 10% (the lowest quiz grade will be dropped)

Commentaries and Oral assignments: 10%

Three 75 minute exams: 45% (each 15%)

Cumulative final exam: 25%

Grade Breakdowns

	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D	F
Score	100- 92.5	92.4- 89.5	89.4- 86.5	86.4- 82.5	82.4- 79.5	79.4- 76.5	76.4- 72.5	72.4- 69.5	69.4- 59.5	<59.4

The Pass/Fail score and Credit/No Credit score is 75. **A minimum grade of a C (not a C-) is necessary to advance to Upper-Division Latin courses.**

Provisional Exam Dates:

Midterm 1: Wednesday, September 26th, 2012

Midterm 2: Friday, October 26th, 2012

Midterm 3: Friday, November 16th, 2012

Final Exam: Friday, December 14th, 2012 (2-5pm)

MAKE-UP TESTS & QUIZZES: Make-up exams and quizzes will be given only in cases of documented athletic commitment, documented illness, death of an immediate family member (documented by an obituary listing you as a survivor), or other documented emergency. You must **also** notify me in person, by phone, or email as soon as possible and **at least 3 hours BEFORE** the time of the exam that you will miss the exam. If you fail to do so, you will receive a zero on the exam, regardless of the reason. **If you are an athlete, you must make me aware of scheduling conflicts during the first two weeks of the semester.** Make-up exams will be permitted no more than one week from the time of the originally scheduled exam. After that point, the instructor reserves the right to refuse a make-up exam. I strongly encourage you to take all exams at the time that they are scheduled.

ATTENDANCE: Attendance will be a crucial part of your final grade – you will be allowed **two unexcused absences**, *following which your final grade will drop one point per unexcused absence.* Absences will only be excused for religious holidays, medical reasons (with a letter from Student Health Services or a private physician), documented athletic commitment, or for family emergencies (only when certified by your Dean of Students). If students wish to have an absence excused, documentation must be provided to the instructor within a week of the student's return to class.

TARDINESS: While I understand that UT is a large campus and on some days there is little time between courses, tardiness, for any reason, is disruptive. Furthermore, our classes are short and we use all of this time to move through the material that we need to cover. Therefore, I will have a tardiness policy: for every five classes that you are 3 minutes late or more, this will be counted as one absence; for every 2 classes that you are 7 minutes late or more, this will be counted as one absence.

PARTICIPATION: Participation in Latin 312 is crucial both for the creation of a successful classroom environment and for individual success. Latin 312 tends to have a smaller enrollment and thus each student's contributions become integral to creating dynamic and interesting discussions and to distribute translations equally during class time. Furthermore, the exams for this class are few and so it is crucial for students to regularly translate (and ask questions) in order to receive feedback that will be helpful in preparing them for the exams. To receive full credit for participation, you must regularly attend classes, come with the assignment prepared ahead of time, volunteer to translate, actively participate in class discussions, and stay the entire class time. Participation will be penalized for students who use their cell phone during class (please keep them off or on silent and in your bag or pocket), or who use a laptop for any other purpose than note-taking.

COURSE POLICIES

PREREQUISITES: You must have passed **Latin 311** (or equivalents) with a grade of **C** or higher in order to enroll in this class.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. Please familiarize yourself with the University of Texas's Honor Code:

"The core values of The University of Texas at Austin are learning, discovery, freedom, leadership, individual opportunity, and responsibility. Each member of the University is expected to uphold these values through integrity, honesty, trust, fairness, and respect toward peers and community."

Any student caught or facilitating cheating on any assignment will receive an F in the course and immediately be referred to the Dean of Students. In cases where dishonesty is strongly suspected, I reserve the right to re-examine the student(s). I will, however, assume absolute integrity on your part until shown otherwise. If you are unsure what constitutes academic dishonesty, see <http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/sjs/scholdis.php>. It is your responsibility to be familiar with the contents of this website and to avoid any behavior that might be interpreted as academic dishonesty.

ADD/DROP POLICY: Please familiarize yourself with the University of Texas's official add/drop policy. Any requests to drop the course after the fourth week will be handled in accordance with these rules. Be forewarned: while you may use a "one time exception" to late-drop the course, the exception is to the deadline, not to the requirement that you must be earning at least a 70% in order to receive a Q-drop.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: The University of Texas at Austin provides upon request appropriate academic adjustments for qualified students with disabilities. For more information contact the Dean of Students at (512) 471-6259 or see <http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/ssd>. In order to receive accommodations, you must be registered with the Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD). This office will document your disability, inform me of your situation, and instruct me on the necessary accommodations. If you chose not to register with SSD, I cannot make special accommodations for you.

RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS: According to Section 51.911 of the Texas Education Code, students shall be excused from attending classes or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. If you will miss class (including exams) to celebrate a religious holiday, you must notify me AT LEAST 14 days prior to the holiday so that we can make arrangements for you to make up the assignment. All make-up work must be completed no later than one week after the missed class.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE: Occupants of buildings on The University of Texas at Austin campus are required to evacuate buildings when a fire alarm is activated. Alarm activation or announcement requires exiting and assembling outside. Familiarize yourself with all exit doors of each classroom and building you may occupy. Remember that the nearest exit door may not be the one you used when entering the building. Students requiring assistance in evacuation shall inform their instructor in writing during the first week of class.

In the event of an evacuation, follow the instruction of faculty or class instructors. Do not re-enter a building unless given instructions by the following: Austin Fire Department, The University of Texas at Austin Police Department, or Fire Prevention Services office.