Latin 101: Elementary Latin (Fall, 2005)

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Latin 101-102 is a yearlong course that provides an introduction to the Latin language. The course emphasizes reading skills, with particular attention given to the mastery of grammar and vocabulary, although attention will also be given to the literature, history, and culture of the ancient Romans. The primary goal of this course is to prepare students to read with good comprehension the Latin prose and poetry of the Roman authors of the Late Republic and Early Empire.

Texts:

Requirements:

**Attendance** is absolutely mandatory. The fast pace of this course, and the considerable quantity of new material that will be introduced daily, requires that students be present in class in order to master the material. Although attendance is not graded, unexcused absences will necessarily have an adverse effect on a student’s assignment and participation grades. Assignments (including homework, quizzes, and tests) missed as the result of an unexcused absence may not be made up. Only the instructor or a dean of the college may excuse missed classes. If a student intends to miss a class for any reason, it is his or her responsibility to contact the instructor directly before that class.

**Assignments (15%)**
Weekly assignment sheets will be handed out on Mondays detailing the daily assignments for that week. Students are expected to complete homework in advance of class. Each assignment is due at the start of the class for which it was assigned unless otherwise specified. Written work is expected to be complete and legible, and will not be accepted after the time at which it is due. Ignorance of an assignment does not excuse the work; students who miss class are responsible for obtaining the assignment for the next class.

**Participation (10%)**
Students are expected to participate in class, which enhances the productivity of the individual as well as the class as a whole. This includes being engaged and participating in class work and discussions, asking and answering questions, and volunteering for in-class exercises.

**Quizzes (25%)**
Each week there will be at least one 10- to 15-minute quiz on vocabulary, grammar, and translation. Quizzes are cumulative, and may include material from previous assignments up to (an including) the day of the quiz. Quizzes missed as the result of an unexcused absence may not be made up.
Tests (30%)
There will be three in-class, 50-minute tests during each semester. Like quizzes, tests are cumulative and may not be retaken or made up if missed as the result of an unexcused absence.

Exam (20%)
The exam will cover the entire semester. **The exam is on Dec. 20th at 8:30am.**

Special Accommodations:
If you have a physical, psychological, medical, or learning disability which may impact your ability to carry out the requirements of this course as stated herein, you should contact Erin Salva (salvae@kenyon.edu) in the Office of Disability Services at PBX 5145 as soon as possible. Accommodations will be given in this course only with notification from the Coordinator of Disability services.

Academic Honesty:
All students are responsible for understanding—and adhering to—the College rules on academic honesty and plagiarism. If you are at all uncertain about these regulations, including the definition of plagiarism, you must consult the relevant sections in the Student Handbook.