LATIN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

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The Latin Language and Literature minor, housed within the Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/modern-and-classical-literatures-and-cultures/) is a minor offered by the Classical Studies (https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/classical-studies/) program. This minor is an opportunity to pursue a course of study in Latin, from the elementary to the advanced level, and in Roman authors and texts and their cultural contexts.

Minor

- Minor in Latin Language and Literature (https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/latin-language-literature/latin-minor/)

Latin Language and Literature does not currently offer an academic program at the graduate level.

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To view the most recent semester's course schedule, please see Rice's Course Schedule (https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat).

Latin (LATI)

LATI 101 - ELEMENTARY LATIN I
Short Title: ELEMENTARY LATIN I
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Description: Study of the fundamentals of Latin grammar with emphasis on acquisition of reading skills. Effective May 15, 2019, this course does not carry D1 credit. Cross-list: MDEM 101.

LATI 102 - ELEMENTARY LATIN II
Short Title: ELEMENTARY LATIN II
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Prerequisite(s): LATI 101 or MDST 101 or MDEM 101
Description: Continuation of LATI 101 and MDST 101. Graduate students require permission of instructor. Effective May 15, 2019, this course does not carry D1 credit. Cross-list: MDEM 102.

LATI 104 - AP/OTH CREDIT IN ELEMENTARY LATIN
Short Title: AP/OTH CREDIT ELEMENTARY LATIN
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Transfer
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Description: This course provides credit for students who have successfully completed approved examinations, such as Advanced Placement exams. This credit counts toward the total credit hours required for graduation.

LATI 201 - INTERMEDIATE LATIN I: PROSE
Short Title: INTERMEDIATE LATIN I: PROSE
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Description: Review of grammar and readings in Latin prose. Cross-list: MDEM 211.

LATI 202 - INTERMEDIATE LATIN II
Short Title: INTERMEDIATE LATIN II
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Prerequisite(s): LATI 201 or MDEM 211
Description: Readings in Virgil. LATI 202 and MDEM 212 are mutually exclusive with LATI 210. Credit cannot be earned for LATI 202 or MDEM 212 if a student has previously taken LATI 210. Cross-list: MDEM 212.

LATI 204 - AP/OTH CREDIT IN INTERMEDIATE LATIN
Short Title: AP/OTH CREDIT INTERM. LATIN
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Transfer
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Description: This course provides credit for students who have successfully completed approved examinations, such as Advanced Placement exams. This credit counts toward the total credit hours required for graduation.

LATI 210 - INTERMEDIATE LATIN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
Short Title: INTMD LATIN LANG. AND LIT.
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Description: This course is open to all Latin students who have completed LATI 101 or higher. Its focus is translation, grammatical analysis, and literary criticism of classical Latin texts (prose and/or poetry). Because the assigned Latin texts vary from semester to semester, the course may be repeated for credit. LATI 210 is mutually exclusive with LATI 202 and MDEM 212. Credit for LATI 210 cannot be given if a student has previously taken LATI 202 or MDEM 212. Recommended Prerequisite(s): LATI 101 or equivalent Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 238 - SPECIAL TOPICS
Short Title: SPECIAL TOPICS
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Internship/Practicum, Laboratory, Lecture, Seminar, Independent Study, Lecture/Laboratory
Credit Hours: 1-4
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level
Description: Topics and credit hours may vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 301 - CICERO AND SALLUST
Short Title: CICERO AND SALLUST
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Prerequisite(s): LATI 202
Description: The course will read selections from Cicero and Sallust on the Catilinarian Conspiracy. Close attention will be given to the authors' style and to their rhetorical and historiographical methods. We will also examine the events of the conspiracy and the political culture of the late Roman Republic. Recommended Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of Latin or the equivalent.

LATI 306 - ADVANCED LATIN: OVID'S METAMORPHOSES
Short Title: OVID'S METAMORPHOSES
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Readings in Ovid's Metamorphoses. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 309 - RECOVERY, REBIRTH, REGENERATION: CLASSICS AND THE EUROPEAN RENAISSANCE
Short Title: CLASSICS/EUROPEAN RENAISSANCE
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: This course explores the Renaissance reception of classical culture; it offers a comparative study of ancient and early modern cultures and literatures. Readings are conducted in both Latin and English. Authors include Cicero, Lucretius, Ovid, Augustine, Petrarch, Shakespeare, Kepler, and Galileo. Recommended Prerequisite(s): LATI 202 or MDEM 212

LATI 310 - ADVANCED LATIN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
Short Title: ADVANCED LATIN LANG. AND LIT.
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Credit Hours: 3
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: This course is open to all students who have completed LATI 102 or higher. Its focus is on the translation, grammatical analysis, and literary criticism of classical Latin texts (prose and/or poetry). Because the assigned Latin texts vary from semester to semester, the course may be repeated for credit. Graduate/Undergraduate Equivalency: LATI 510. Recommended Prerequisite(s): LATI 102 or equivalent Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for LATI 310 if student has credit for LATI 510. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 312 - ADVANCED LATIN: LATIN LOVE ELEGY
Short Title: LATIN LOVE ELEGY
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: We will study the genre of Latin love elegy by reading selected poems of its three major exponents (Propertius, Tibullus, and Ovid), its founding figures (Catullus and Gallus), and other minor poets (Lygdamus and Sulpicia).

LATI 316 - READINGS IN VIRGIL'S AENEID
Short Title: READINGS IN VIRGIL'S AENEID
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Advanced study of Virgil's great Roman epic. Areas of interest will include Virgil's poetic technique, the history of ancient epic, and Roman politics and society, particularly in the Augustan Age. Since different books of the Aeneid will be read in different semesters, the course is repeatable for credit. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 318 - READINGS IN CICERO
Short Title: CICERO
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: This course features readings in Cicero (1st c. BCE), the politician, orator, and philosopher of first-century BCE Rome. The single most influential writer in Latin, Cicero is also a primary source for the fall of the Roman Republic. Spring 2016 will focus on the speech Pro Caelio, addressed to a law course in defense of the Roman aristocrat Caelius Rufus, and one of Cicero's most entertaining speeches. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 350 - TRANSLATING LATIN LITERATURE: THEORY AND PRACTICE
Short Title: TRANSLATING LATIN LITERATURE
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: A thorough examination of the art of translating Latin Literature. Students will survey ancient and modern theories of translation; study a range of translations of select Latin texts; and produce their own translations of prose and verse Latin originals. Taught in English.

LATI 477 - SPECIAL TOPICS
Short Title: SPECIAL TOPICS
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Internship/Practicum, Laboratory, Lecture, Seminar, Lecture/Laboratory
Credit Hours: 1-4
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Topics and credit hours may vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 491 - DIRECTED READING
Short Title: DIRECTED READING
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Independent Study
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Independent work for qualified juniors and seniors in genres or authors not presented in other upper level courses. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 492 - DIRECTED READING
Short Title: DIRECTED READING
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Independent Study
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Independent work for qualified juniors and seniors in genres or authors not presented in other upper level courses. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 504 - DIRECTED READING FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS
Short Title: GR STUDENTS DIRECTED READING
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Independent Study
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.
Course Level: Graduate
Description: Graduate level, independent reading course. Topics vary. Offered in the spring semester. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 510 - ADVANCED LATIN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
Short Title: ADVANCED LATIN LANG. AND LIT.
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.
Course Level: Graduate
Description: Open to graduate students who have completed LATI 102 or higher. Translation, grammatical analysis, and literary criticism of classical Latin texts. Because the assigned Latin texts vary from semester to semester, the course may be repeated for credit. Graduate students enrolled in LATI 510 will complete five additional reading assignments and one oral presentation. Graduate/Undergraduate Equivalency: LATI 310. Recommended Prerequisite(s): LATI 102 or equivalent Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for LATI 510 if student has credit for LATI 310. Repeatable for Credit.

LATI 677 - SPECIAL TOPICS
Short Title: SPECIAL TOPICS
Department: Modern Classic Lang, Lit, Cult
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Internship/Practicum, Laboratory, Lecture, Seminar, Independent Study, Lecture/Laboratory
Credit Hours: 1-4
Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Visiting Graduate level students.
Course Level: Graduate
Description: Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

Description and Code Legend

***Note**: Internally, the university uses the following descriptions, codes, and abbreviations for this academic program. The following is a quick reference:*

Course Catalog/Schedule

- Course offerings/subject code for Latin: LATI

Home School Description and Code

- Humanities and Arts: HU

Home Department Description and Code

- Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures, and Cultures: MCLL

Undergraduate Minor Description and Code

- Minor in Latin Language and Literature: LALL

CIP Code and Description [1]

- **LALL** Minor. CIP Code/Title: *16.1203 - Latin Language and Literature*

[1] Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) 2020 Codes and Descriptions from the National Center for Education Statistics: https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/.