

Latin: Language Proficiency II (A005789)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 5.0

Study time 150 h

Course offerings in academic year 2026-2027

A (semester 2)

Dutch

Gent

Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027

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Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027

Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject Dutch - Latin)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject English - Latin)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject French - Latin)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject Latin - Greek)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject Latin - Italian)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject Latin - Spanish)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject Latin - Swedish)	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature(main subject Latin)	5	A

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offering

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Deeper morphological knowledge, syntax, syntactical obligatory and non-obligatory extensions, simplex and complex sentences, metrical rules.

Position of the course

This introductory course wants to provide a deeper knowledge of latin morfphology and wordforming principles and gives an insight into basic syntactical structures of sentence structure in Latin with focus on dependent clauses, direct and indirect discourse. There will be an introduction to metrical systems with the focus on the dactylic hexameter.

Contents

Selected items of the Latin morphology, scientific background of the morphosyntax; syntax of the Latin clause : position and meaning of syntactical functions and extensions. thorough repetition and practice of the acquired knowledge of Latin: Taalbeheersing I will be repeated with exercises on morphology and syntax (reading of texts and making of translations)

Initial competences

To have followed the course Latin: Language Proficiency I or to have gotten acquainted with the necessary skills by other means.

Final competences

- 1 To recognize and explain the rules for the use and positioning of syntactical functions and extensions in the Latin sentence.
- 2 To analyse a complex Latin sentence syntactically.
- 3 To read and comprehend a Latin text.
- 4 To analyse a Latin sentence thoroughly on all levels.

- 5 To make a morphosyntactical analysis of words within a clause.
- 6 To get acquainted with the Latin language in order to be able to summarize or transpose given Latin texts and sentences and translate from Dutch into Latin.
- 7 Recognize and apply the rules of the dactylic hexameter and pentameter.
- 8 Understanding Latin colometry and being capable of recognizing and indicating the cola in the Latin sentence.
- 9 To master a selection of Latin texts on an independent base.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Lecture, Independent work

Extra information on the teaching methods

- Lecture (20%): a theoretical part
- Seminar on method of reading and analysis of Latin texts, consisting of a tutorial with supervised exercises (30%) and supervised self-teaching (20%).
- Independent reading of a text corpus by self-activation + independent analysis of one paragraph in the independent reading (30%).
- Keeping of a portfolio with autonomous work
- No lecture recordings are provided for this course (interactive teaching format).

Study material

Type: Reader

Name: Cursory Reading

Indicative price: € 4

Optional: no

Language : Other

Number of Pages : 75

Available on Ufora : Yes

Online Available : No

Available in the Library : No

Available through Student Association : Yes

Type: Other

Name: Latin Dutch dictionary

Indicative price: € 70

Optional: yes

Language : Dutch

Author : Harm Pinkster

ISBN : 978-9-46372-051-9

Number of Pages : 1220

Available on Ufora : No

Online Available : Yes

Available in the Library : Yes

Available through Student Association : No

Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : regularly

Usability and Lifetime within the Study Programme : regularly

Usability and Lifetime after the Study Programme : regularly

References

Complementary reading list will be made public by the teacher.

Course content-related study coaching

- Intensive and interactive lecture of texts during the course.
- Cursory reading with individual support.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Oral assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Oral assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible

Calculation of the examination mark

Oral exam: 50%

Non-periodical evaluation: 50%

Knowledge of the content of the course Latin: Language Proficiency I is taken for granted. Failures can lead to a negative result for the examination as a whole.

Unmotivated absence at the tests leads to the score of zero for that test. If the

student scores less than 10/20 for one of the evaluation methods, then the

eventual score will be reduced to the highest non-pass mark, i.e. 9/20.

Facilities for Working Students

Facilities:

- 1 Student attendance during educational activities is required
- 2 Possible rescheduling of the examination to a different time in the same academic year
- 3 Feedback can be given during an appointment during office hours

Extra information:

For more information concerning flexible learning: contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and philosophy