



DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

LAT115 Latin Language and Culture, Orientation Course, 7.5 higher education credits

Latinet som språk och kulturbärare, orienteringskurs, 7,5 högskolepoäng

First Cycle

Confirmation

This course syllabus was confirmed by The Faculty of Arts on 2011-04-01 and was last revised on 2014-08-19 by Department of Languages and Literatures to be valid from 2014-09-01, autumn semester of 2014.

Field of education: Arts 100%

Department: Department of Languages and Literatures

Position in the educational system

The course LAT115, Latin as a language and bearer of culture, 7.5 credits, is given as a freestanding course in the first cycle. This course, together with the courses LAT111, Introductory course in Latin I, 7.5 credits, LAT112, Introductory course in Latin II, 7.5 credits, and LAT113, Latin, Text course, Ancient Latin texts, 7.5 credits, constitutes the basic course in the subject of Latin. The basic course, 30 credits, is the initial course in the subject and prepares for the Degree of Bachelor.

Main field of studies

Latin

Specialization

G1N, First Cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course the student should be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- broadly account for the historical context of Latin and the different periods in the history of Latin literature as well as give a basic description of the role of Latin as a bearer of cultural heritage and the development of ideas throughout the history of Western Europe.

Skills and abilities

- reflect on the symbolic value of Latin today.

Judgement and approach

- deal critically with ancient historical sources and translations of Latin source texts in various types of media.

Course content

The student acquires a general understanding of the historical context of Latin and a basic orientation in the history of Latin literature as well as an idea of the role of Latin as a carrier of the cultural heritage and development of ideas in Western Europe. In addition, the course focuses on the importance of Latin for the development of modern languages and its role as a source of loan words and scientific terminology. The course also reflects on the symbolic value of Latin in contemporary popular culture.

Form of teaching

Language of instruction: Swedish

Assessment

For a pass grade on the course as a whole, students are required to have a pass grade on a home examination and to have made written contributions in the Discussion forum in connection with each lecture.

Grades

The grading scale comprises: Pass with Distinction (VG), Pass (G) and Fail (U). Students who have failed any part of the course are given the possibility of a new test. Those who have passed a subtest may not undergo a new test for a higher grade. Nor do students have the right to withdraw a submitted test and in such a way avoid being graded. A student who has failed a test twice has the right to change examiner, unless weighty argument can be adduced. The application shall be sent to the board of the

department and has to be in writing. In case the course ceases or goes through major changes, students are guaranteed access to three examination sessions (including the regular examination session) for a period of a year with the previous structure of the course as a starting point.

Course evaluation

The students are given the opportunity to make a written evaluation of the course. Results of the evaluation are published digitally.

Additional information

This course, LAT115, the Latin as a language and bearer of culture, 7.5 credits, corresponds to one fourth of the course LAT110, Basic course in Latin, 30 credits, and can therefore not be included in a Degree of Bachelor together with the latter course.

Equality aspects should be taken in consideration in content, literature, teaching and evaluation. In addition, where relevant, the course should make students aware of and problematise ecological, economic, cultural and socially sustainable development.