

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

LAT203 Ancient Latin Prose, 7.5 credits

Antik latinsk prosa, 7,5 högskolepoäng Second Cycle

Confirmation

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Languages and Literatures on 2023-02-03 to be valid from 2023-08-28, autumn semester of 2023.

Field of education: Arts 100%

Department: Department of Languages and Literatures

Position in the educational system

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

Main field of studies Specialization

Latin A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle

course/s as entry requirements

Entry requirements

The requirement for admission to the course is 90 credits in Latin or the equivalent courses.

Learning outcomes

After successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- demonstrate a good knowledge of the most important authors and works of ancient Latin prose;
- give an account of the culture and literary-historical contexts to which the texts read belong;

Competence and skills

- independently read and translate prose texts in ancient Latin;
- independently use scholarly commentaries;

Judgement and approach

- apply a scholarly approach to Latin prose;
- identify his/her need of additional knowledge and take responsibility for his/her knowledge development.

Course content

The aim of the course is to increase students' familiarity with ancient prose on the basis of a scholarly approach. In the course, Latin prose texts from the ancient period are studied. The texts are (if possible) studied in editions with commentaries and are analysed from a literary and historical perspective. The following authors should be included: Cicero, Seneca, Tacitus, Petronius, Apuleius. If special circumstances apply, e.g. if a student has already read an essential amount of text by a certain author, other authors may be studied instead.

Form of teaching

The course is given in the form of lectures and seminars, and/or in the form of self-study along with teachers' supervision.

The course may be given as an on-campus course or as an online course. To follow a web-based course, students must have access to a computer, web camera and stable broadband connection.

Language of instruction: English and Swedish

Assessment

To what extent the student has achieved the aim of the course is tested through an oral examination.

A student who has failed a course item is eligible for a retake exam/assignment. In connection with written assignments, supplementary assignments may be offered in order for the student to achieve a Pass grade. Such a supplementary assignment should be done within the stipulated time (normally five working days after the result has been posted). Otherwise a Fail grade will be reported.

A student who has completed an exam/assignment with a passing grade is not eligible for a retake for the purpose of receiving a higher grade. Nor may a student withdraw a test/assignment once it has been submitted for the purpose of avoiding receiving a grade for the work.

A student who has taken two examinations in a course or a part of a course without obtaining a passing grade is entitled to the nomination of another examiner unless there are special reasons to the contrary (HF 6 chap. 22§). Such a request should be made in writing to the department responsible for the course.

If the University of Gothenburg has decided that a student is eligible for special study support, the examiner may, provided it is compatible with the aim of the course and it can be done within the scope of available resources, decide to offer the student an adjusted examination or a different examination format.

If the course has been discontinued or substantially revised, a student should be guaranteed to sit the examination on at least three occasions (including the ordinary examination occasion) during a period of at least one year, but not later than two years after the course was discontinued or revised. As regards internships/placement the same as above applies, with the exception that examination is offered on only one occasion.

Grades

The grading scale comprises: Pass with Distinction (VG), Pass (G) and Fail (U).

Course evaluation

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

Additional information

To follow a web-based course, students must have access to a computer, web camera and stable broadband connection.

Equality aspects should be taken into consideration in content, literature, teaching and evaluation.