

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
LAT 201 - INTERMEDIATE LATIN I (3 CR.)**

Course Description

Introduces the reading of classical Latin with a review of Latin grammar, forms, and syntax. Part I of II. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

The purpose of intermediate Latin is to enable the student to read the classical literature of antiquity, the Latin writings of later times and the culture and history of the Romans.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

Prerequisite: LAT102 or equivalent. Students who have not taken LAT 102 should have proficiency at or above the Intermediate-low level as defined by the ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines

Course Objectives

Language objectives at this level aim to lead the student away from elementary structural drills and towards a freer, more personal use of the basic skills of reading and some writing

- Students will be able to discuss, explain and understand the cultural aspects of Latin literature and writing
- Students will be able to use Latin language orally, listen to and write it as part of their learning process
- Students will be able to recognize and use the elements of the Latin language to increase knowledge of their own language
- Students will be able to compare and contrast their own culture with that of the Greco-Roman world
- Students will be able to use their knowledge of Greco-Roman culture in a world of diverse cultures

Major Topics To Be Covered

- A. Reading and understanding short narratives and orations
- B. Perfect complex grammatical structures, such as relative pronouns, phrases, and conditional statements
- C. Cultural readings and short literary selections
- D. Family
- E. Entertainment (theatre, gladiators, baths)
- F. Politics and government
- G. History and geography of the ancient world
- H. Culture

The ACTFL standards include Culture, Connections, Comparisons and Communities as part of foreign language instruction and assessment. Within these areas, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the practices and perspectives of the culture studied
- Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the products and perspectives of the culture studied
- Acquire information and recognize the distinctive viewpoints that are only available through the foreign language and its cultures
- Demonstrate understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the cultures studied and their own.
- Use the language both within and beyond the school setting
- Read, discuss and write about topics concerning the Latin culture featured in textbooks and in target language media at the intermediate level.

Optional Topics

Readings of longer selections such as Virgil's Aeneid or Augustine's Confessions.