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Dept of Ancient History

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General Information

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Credit points
3

Prerequisites
6cp at 200 level including (AHIS219 or AHST208)

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
This unit aims to develop the skills of history students in order to support advanced study of the Latin language. It continues the systematic analysis of grammar begun in the units AHIS118 and AHIS219 and explores the concepts of historical development and diversity in the classical and medieval periods. The unit also aims to help students develop their skills in reading original Latin literary and documentary texts, and analyse the significance of Latin for the study of relevant ancient cultures.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates

Learning Outcomes
1. Identify and recall Latin grammatical structures at advanced level
2. Recognise and memorise advanced Latin vocabulary
3. Assess the grammar required for the translation of Latin texts appropriate to level of study
4. Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools
5. Employ linguistic metalanguage
6. Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and writing advanced Latin
7. Analyse the significance of Latin for the study of relevant ancient cultures

**Assessment Tasks**

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**Participation**

Due: **Weekly**  
Weighting: **10%**

The purpose of this low-risk assessment is to test engagement with unit content and developing knowledge and skills. You will be required to participate in class discussions exploring aspects of Latin grammar and grammatical terminology (the linguistic metalanguage). These discussions will be conducted for both internal and external students via the General Discussion Forum on the unit's iLearn page.

The criteria against which this assessment will be assessed are level of engagement and demonstration of developing knowledge and skills. I will expect you to participate in discussions on at least five (out of a total of eight) different topics. Participation in the eighth topic, which will focus on study techniques for approaching the final examination and your comprehension of relevant advice (delivered in lectures), is a requirement for satisfactory completion of the unit.

Engagement is worth 5% of the total unit assessment. Demonstration of developing knowledge and skills is worth an additional 5%.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:

- Identify and recall Latin grammatical structures at advanced level
- Recognise and memorise advanced Latin vocabulary
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools
- Employ linguistic metalanguage

**Function Test**

Due: **See unit schedule**  
Weighting: **5%**
The purpose of this low-risk assessment is to test capacity to explain the morphology and function of specific Latin words. The five forms you will be required to analyse will be drawn from unit Readings 1 and 2.

The criteria against which this task will be assessed are accuracy and completeness of information and clarity of presentation.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
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- Recognise and memorise advanced Latin vocabulary
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- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and writing advanced Latin texts

**Prose Compositions**

*Due: See unit schedule*

*Weighting: 25%*

The purpose of this assessment task is to facilitate understanding of Latin grammatical structures. You will be required to translate a series of sentences from English into Latin (5 sentences in each of the 6 assignments). The sentences are designed to test your control over concepts discussed in the lectures and (often) illustrated in the unit readings.

The assessment criteria against which this task will be assessed are accuracy, completeness, and technical and stylistic control over the material.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
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**Document Analysis**

*Due: See unit schedule*

*Weighting: 20%*

The purpose of this assessment task is to develop analytical skills and independent thinking. You
will be required to provide a linguistic analysis of specific grammatical features appearing in a passage drawn from the unit readings. Length limit: 1000 words, including analysis, any footnotes, and bibliography.

The assessment criteria against which this task will be assessed are accuracy, thoroughness, clarity of presentation, and effective use of referencing and bibliography.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
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Examination
Due: TBA (June examination period)
Weighting: 40%

The purpose of this assessment task is to test general control over unit content. The examination is arranged as four questions.

• In Question 1 you will be required to translate into English three Latin passages drawn from the unit readings (45% of exam. weighting).
• In Question 2 you will be required to read four short extracts drawn from the unit readings and comment on specific questions concerning morphology and/or function of specific words and expressions (two questions for each passage, so a total of eight questions; 20% of exam. weighting).
• In Question 3 you will be required to reproduce four grammatical paradigms from a designated list provided in the unit materials (10% of exam. weighting).
• In Question 4 you will be required to translate five English sentences into Latin, using constructions studied and vocabulary used in the prose compositions for this unit (25% of exam. weighting).

The criteria against which this task will be assessed are accuracy and completeness of translations in Question 1, comments in Question 2, and paradigms in Question 3, and accuracy, completeness, and technical and stylistic control of translations in Question 4.

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**Delivery and Resources**

**Technology**

This unit employs the following technology

• iLearn
• Echo

The unit has an online presence. Login is via: [https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/](https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/)

All required unit materials will be provided via this iLearn site, which will also provide an additional Recommended Reading list.

Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient.

For technical support go to: [http://mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/informatics/help](http://mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/informatics/help)

For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to: [http://mq.edu.au/iLearn/student_info/guides.htm](http://mq.edu.au/iLearn/student_info/guides.htm)

**Lecture Times**

For lecture times and classrooms please consult: [https://timetables.mq.edu.au/2016/](https://timetables.mq.edu.au/2016/)

**Satisfactory Completion**

Completion of all Assessment Tasks is required to complete the unit satisfactorily.

**Submission and Extensions**

For Participation submissions are your contributions to the electronic General Discussion Forum (and in addition, for internal students, your involvement in classroom discussion). Submission of the Function Test, Prose Compositions, and Document Analysis is electronic via Turnitin. The Examination is closed-book and administered by the central administration.

Extensions are available on medical grounds and may be requested under other special circumstances. Apply direct to the Convener.

**Penalties for Late Submission**

A penalty of 2% per day (including weekends) will be imposed for late submission of assessment tasks unless medical grounds or other special circumstances apply.
Unit Schedule

For this unit the Unit Schedule can be accessed via the Macquarie University iLearn website: https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central. Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

Academic Honesty Policy http://mq.edu.au/policy/docs/academic_honesty/policy.html


Disruption to Studies Policy http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption_studies/policy.html The Disruption to Studies Policy is effective from March 3 2014 and replaces the Special Consideration Policy.

In addition, a number of other policies can be found in the Learning and Teaching Category of Policy Central.

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student_conduct/

Results

Results shown in iLearn, or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in eStudent. For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au.

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit http://students.mq.edu.au/support/

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.
Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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Assessment tasks

- Participation
- Function Test
- Prose Compositions
- Document Analysis
- Examination

Effective Communication

We want to develop in our students the ability to communicate and convey their views in forms effective with different audiences. We want our graduates to take with them the capability to read, listen, question, gather and evaluate information resources in a variety of formats, assess, write clearly, speak effectively, and to use visual communication and communication technologies as appropriate.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcome

- Employ linguistic metalanguage

Assessment tasks

- Participation
- Function Test
- Document Analysis
- Examination

Capable of Professional and Personal Judgement and Initiative

We want our graduates to have emotional intelligence and sound interpersonal skills and to demonstrate discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgement. They will exercise initiative as needed. They will be capable of risk assessment, and be able to handle ambiguity and complexity, enabling them to be adaptable in diverse and changing environments.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

- Assess the grammar required for the translation of Latin texts appropriate to level of study
- Explore and appraise relevant grammatical and lexical reference tools
- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and writing advanced Latin texts
- Analyse the significance of Latin for the study of relevant ancient cultures
Assessment tasks

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- Document Analysis
- Examination

Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcomes

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Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to
critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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**Creative and Innovative**

Our graduates will also be capable of creative thinking and of creating knowledge. They will be imaginative and open to experience and capable of innovation at work and in the community. We want them to be engaged in applying their critical, creative thinking.

This graduate capability is supported by:

**Learning outcome**

- Integrate knowledge of grammar and vocabulary in reading and writing advanced Latin texts

**Assessment tasks**

- Prose Compositions
- Document Analysis
- Examination
Commitment to Continuous Learning

Our graduates will have enquiring minds and a literate curiosity which will lead them to pursue knowledge for its own sake. They will continue to pursue learning in their careers and as they participate in the world. They will be capable of reflecting on their experiences and relationships with others and the environment, learning from them, and growing - personally, professionally and socially.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcome

• Analyse the significance of Latin for the study of relevant ancient cultures

Assessment tasks

• Participation
• Document Analysis