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Description of the course

This course will cover major forms and syntax and it designed to greatly enhance the student's ability to read Latin. We will be focusing on two major Roman historians: Caesar and Suetonius. Fundamental parts of their works will be commented and extensively analysed. Class time will be regularly given over to covering the grammar structures present in the various readings. Regular and prompt attendance in class is required. More than 6 absences from class without a reasonable excuse will result in failure or dismissal from the course.

There will be regular assignments, which you must complete independently. You should expect to spend a considerable time outside class completing these assignments and/or consolidating material presented in class.

There will also be quizzes most Mondays, one midterm exam and a cumulative final exam.

Required texts (available from the bookstore)

- *Caesar Selections from his Commentarii de Bello Gallico*, by Hans-Friedrich Mueller. Bolchazy-Carducci, 2012. ISBN 978-0865167520.
- *Suetonius. Divus Iulius*, by H. Butler and M. Cary. Bristol Classical Press, 2009. ISBN 9780862920265.

Course requirements

Attendance

Regular participation and prompt attendance are required. If a student misses more than six classes without an excuse or is consistently unprepared for class, his/her grade will be significantly affected.

Quizzes **CANNOT** be made up. Make-up exams will only be given if a medical or family emergency arises, and the Dean of Students office notifies me.

Grades

Final grades will be weighted as follows:

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| • Attendance and participation | 20% |
| • Quizzes | 20% |
| • Midterm exam | 30% |
| • Final exam | 30% |

Attendance and Participation:

You are expected to attend class meetings and participate in drills, group work, and various translation exercises. You may miss six classes during the term. After the 6th absence, the Attendance and Participation portion of your grade will be reduced (-10% per missed class), unless there are extenuating circumstances. HW assignments will be collected in class. You are responsible for providing the instructor with a printed copy of the HW (times new roman 12 - double spaced). You may miss 2 HWs over the term. After the 2nd missed HW, the Attendance and participation portion of your grade will be reduced (-10% per missed HW).

Part of being prepared includes having OLC with you at every class meeting.

Quizzes:

We will have quizzes almost every week consisting in short translations of previously analysed passages. There will be a total of 11 quizzes. I will drop your lowest quiz from the final average.

Midterm and Final Exams:

The exams must be taken the appointed time. No early (or late) exams will be given.

***** No make-up quizzes or exams will be given, except in extenuating circumstances.**

YOU MUST TELL ME BEFORE the quiz or exam if you will miss class.

*** Memory is a key to success in the cumulative acquisition of Latin. The time to memorize new vocabulary is when it is first introduced, not before an exam. It can be very helpful to form study pairs or groups. When you study vocabulary, be sure to study complete dictionary entries as given in *OLD* (or similar dictionaries), not just the basic word and its meaning.

Grading Scale

	A 94–100	A- 90–93
B+ 87–89	B 84–86	B- 80–83
C+ 77–79	C 74–76	C- 70–73
D+ 67–69	D 63–66	D- 60–63

Exam dates

- Mid-term exam: Lecture 20 (10/12/12)
- Final Exam: F. 12/10/12 - 10:30-12:30 AM

**Academic Misconduct**

The purpose of a university education is to learn. Cheating, plagiarizing, and other acts of dishonesty do not contribute to learning. They are, rather, attempts to avoid learning that defeat the very purpose of education. They are rightly regarded as both unethical and illegal under the academic standards of The University of Memphis.

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http://www.memphis.edu/history/misconduct_policy.htm

Student Disability Services

Any student who may need class or test accommodations based on the impact of a disability is encouraged to speak with me privately to discuss your specific needs. Students with disabilities should also contact Student Disability Services (SDS) at 110 Wilder Tower, 678-2880. SDS coordinates accommodations for students with documented disabilities.

Cell phone and laptop use is prohibited in class

