

CLCS 10000 01: Elementary Latin I Fall 2025
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CLASS MEETING: MTWR 1:30 – 2:20 PM, LA 112
OPEN OFFICE HOURS: T&R 12:00 – 1:00 PM (or just ask!)
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COURSE WIKI: <http://Latin2025.pbworks.com/>
VISIT THIS WEBSITE ^^ Click "Request Access"

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Introduction to reading and speaking the Latin language through comprehensible input and extensive reading

REQUIRED BOOKS:

- Hans H. Ørberg, [*Lingua Latina: Pars I: Familia Romana*](#) (Hackett, 2011) ISBN 978-1-58510-423-9 (Hardcover); 978-1-58510-420-8 (Softcover)
- Jeanne Marie Neumann, [*Lingua Latina: A Companion to Familia Romana*](#) (Second Edition; Hackett, 2016); ISBN: 978-1-58510-809-1

These are the required books. You need to have a physical (non digital) copy of the first one which you will bring to class every day:

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Daily attendance and participation in class
2. Regular homework assignments
3. Frequent quizzes
4. Exams

COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLO):

Upon successful completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Demonstrate reading comprehension of written Latin on a basic level.
- Write Latin on a basic level.
- Identify basic grammatical elements of Latin sentence structure.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the daily life of the Latin-speaking world; and contributions made by Latin-speaking figures to world literature, art, music, science, and commerce.
- Demonstrate the ability to move a spoken conversation forward, with basic listening comprehension and speaking skills.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

This class is based on active listening and participation. In the past, I have maintained a strict attendance policy (**4 absences = class failure**) which greatly benefitted students. While I now longer have that explicit policy, if you regularly miss class and do not communicate with me, **you**

will fail. You should plan on attending and participating in every single class meeting when you are healthy.

If you miss a class period, you are responsible for watching the class recording, doing all assigned work and submitting it to me in person at the first class meeting you attend after an absence. All unsubmitted work will receive a 0. See late work policy below,

DEVICES IN THE CLASSROOM:

Language learning takes place in your brain. Most devices can easily read simple Latin already. I am not here to teach or assess your devices. Generally speaking, we will have device-free class periods. Doing any work for other classes during the class period will result in a failing grade for the semester.

GRADING:

Participation:	30%
Quizzes:	30%
Homework:	20%
Exams	20%

GRADE SCALE:

A	94–100	Outstanding	C	74–76	Average
A -	90–93		C–	70–73	
B+	87–89		D+	65–69	
B	84–86	Superior	D	60–64	Lowest passing quality
B–	80–83		F	below 60	
C+	77–79				

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. Contact the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities (Walb Union, Room 113, telephone number 481-6657) as soon as possible to work out the details. For more information, please visit the web site for SSD at

<http://www.pfw.edu/ssd/>

Keep in mind that accommodations are not retroactive so it is best to contact the office **as soon as possible** so that timely arrangements can be made.

FOR ALL STUDENTS:

If you feel that you have an issue which may affect your ability to succeed in this class, you must come see me **before** you've defaulted on

the class. Hopefully, any issue can be resolved, but no issue can be resolved after the fact.

SCHEDULE:

The most up-to-date schedule of readings and assignments can be found on the class website: <http://latin2025.pbworks.com/>

Academic Dishonesty

Any use of generative AI (such as ChatGPT) in the creation of any course work will result in a failing grade for the semester.

Using another person's words or ideas without attribution is plagiarism.

Plagiarism will earn you an **F** for the course, and possible expulsion from the University. If you borrow an idea or quote from another author, you must cite where you found the material. If you have any questions about citing sources, please ****ASK**** before you turn in an assignment. I am happy to help you, or visit [the Writing Center](#).

In addition to plagiarism, please be aware of what behaviors constitute [academic misconduct](#) (See Bulletin, Code of Students Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct Part II. A.) Any instances of academic dishonesty will be reported to the Dean of Students and your Department Chair and may lead to course failure or expulsion. Additional potential consequences can be found under: [potential consequences](#) (See Bulletin, Code of Students Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct, Part III. A.: i.e., failure of the assignment, failure of the course and/or dismissal from the university) of such behavior.

Late Work Policy:

This class has a steady stream of homework. This homework is generally not time-intensive, but regular. Falling behind in this class is even more dangerous than it is in other classes. You should plan on submitting every single assignment on its due date. My official policy is that I do not accept late work, and its grade is 0.

I am, however, a deeply empathetic person and teacher, and understand that life happens. If something comes up that has or might interfere with your work, please let me know immediately in writing by email. I cannot guarantee I can accommodate all situations, But I can try.

Keep in mind: I grade everyone's work in carefully planned batches. Work submitted late is disproportionately more difficult to grade. If you submit work late, you are asking me to both give you special treatment, and asking me to do extra work. If you want to ask for something like this, please acknowledge these facts, and tell me how much time you expect me to devote to grading your late assignments.

Diversity and Nondiscrimination:

Related to civility, Purdue Fort Wayne [Policies](#) include the following statements:

“Respect and civility should therefore be afforded to all individuals regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, disability, religion, family status, socioeconomic level, educational background, veteran status, or position at the university....Purdue Fort Wayne prohibits discrimination against any member of the university community on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, genetic information, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, or status as a veteran...”

The Purdue Fort Wayne [Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct](#) further states:

“The university believes that diversity among its many members strengthens the institution, stimulates creativity, promotes the exchanges of ideas, and enriches campus life...Purdue University Fort Wayne prohibits discrimination against any member of the university community on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, disability, or status as a veteran.”

Disability Statement

Purdue Fort Wayne is committed to providing reasonable accommodation and access to programs and services to persons with disabilities.

If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. Contact the Director of the Disability Access Center (Walb Union, Room 113, telephone number 481-6658) as soon as possible to work out the details. Once the Director has provided you with a letter attesting to your needs for modification, bring the letter to me. For more information, please visit the [web site for Disability Access Center](#) (DAC) and refer to the [DAC Student Handbook](#). Keep in mind that accommodations are not retroactive, so it is best to contact the office **as soon as possible**.

Student Support Services

Purdue University Fort Wayne is committed to your academic and personal success. Visit the [student support services page](#) for a list of student support services, including academic services, technology services, health and wellness, and support from administrative offices. For help with technology, including Brightspace, visit the IT Services [student technology support page](#).

Emergency Statement

In the event of a major campus emergency, our course requirements, deadlines and grading percentages may change. I will communicate any changes to you through Brightspace and email.

Students Called for Military Duty

If you are a student in the military with the potential of being called to military service and/or training during the course of the semester, you are encouraged to contact your advisor immediately.

Important Dates

The last day to withdraw from this course is Friday, November 21st. Other important dates are available in the PFW [academic calendar](#). If you are thinking about withdrawing, please talk with me first.