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Latin

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- About 60% of all English words derive from Latin. First year Latin students add an average of 20,000 new English words to their vocabularies.
- Learning Latin will give you facility with much modern scientific, medical, and legal terminology.
- Latin will give you the strongest single foundation for mastering Romance languages (Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, French, Romanian), the direct linguistic inheritors of Latin.
- Studies conducted by the Educational Testing Service show that Latin students consistently outperform all other students on the verbal portion of the SAT.
- Classics majors consistently have some of the highest scores on GREs of all undergraduates.

**WHY LEARN LATIN?**

- Latin is the language of the ancient Romans, who ruled much of the world for over 1000 years; built roads and aqueducts that are still used today; extended their citizenship to peoples across Europe, North Africa, and Asia; created Roman law and political institutions on which many modern systems including the American one are founded.
- Ancient Rome has given us a template and a vocabulary that continue to define the way we understand the world we live in. Its study plays a crucial role in an increasingly globalized world and can help us gain a critical view of our position in it.
- All of our classes provide stimulating, demanding material, and develop skills in writing, critical analysis, and the exploration of other cultures.
- Latin students are well prepared to succeed after college. Our majors have gone on to graduate school and employment in fields as varied as medicine, law, clean energy consultancies, client diplomacy for an investment management company, or have pursued advanced degrees in art history, computer science, and even Classics!

**LATIN COURSES:**

- **LATIN 101-1, 2, 3 (Elementary Latin)**
- **LATIN 201-1, 2, 3 (Intro to Latin Literature)**
- **LATIN 310 (Readings in Latin Literature)**

**LATIN ON CAMPUS ...**

**STUDY ABROAD IN ROME AND ITALY:**

Classics majors may take advantage of some extraordinary opportunities for study abroad: for a summer, a term, or a year; work on a dig, tour ancient archeological sites, study language, literature, or history at a foreign university. Our advisors will work with you to arrange for credit toward the major.

Many of our students participate in the affiliated program at the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome (administered through Duke).