Course Title: AP Latin

Course #: 1349-1350

Course Description:
AP Latin is an all-inclusive course of the Latin language and Roman culture, designed to help students utilize all the knowledge and skills that they have obtained in three full years of reading/translating the language and analyzing complex syntax, grammar, and literary style structure. AP Latin has a very heavy concentration of reading required selections from Caesar's *De Bello Gallico* and Vergil's *Aeneid*. The course focuses on the authors' literary styles, themes, cultural/historical significance, and vocabulary. Cultural components include Homer's *Iliad* and Ovid's *Heroides*. Students are strongly recommended to take the AP Latin exam in May.

UC/CSU Approval: “e” approved

Grade Level: 10-12

Estimated Homework Per Week: Varies from 2-2.5hrs per week.

Prerequisite: C or higher in Latin 3

Recommended Prerequisite Skills: Students who are interested in enrolling must have a strong interest/passion for the Latin language and Classical culture.

**Grammar**
- All declension ending
- Reflexive/demonstrative adjectives and pronouns
- All tense endings
- Active/Passive endings
- Indicative/Imperative/Subjunctive moods
- Subordinate clauses: ablative absolutes/relative clauses/ut clauses/cum clauses
- Conditionals and Indirect Statement
- Participles and Infinitives: present/perfect/future (active and passive)

**Cultural/History**
- Trojan War
- Caesar's military campaigns: Gallic Wars and Civil War
- Fall of Republic/ Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire (Pax Romana)
Reading and Translating

- Students are required to be able to read Latin 3 readings and deconstruct all levels of syntax and sentence structure.

Ex: Translation Ex Caesar: “His rebus gestis Gallia omnis pacata est. Tanta huius belli ad barbaros opinio perlata est uti ab eis nationibus quae trans Rhenum incoherent legati ad Caesarem mitterentur, qui se obsides daturos, imperata facturos esse pollicerentur. Quos legatos Caesar, quod in Italiam properabat, inita proxima aestate ad se reverti iussit.”

“After these things were carried out, all of Gaul is calm. Such a report of this war was brought to the barbarians that ambassadors were sent to Caesar, from the nations which lived across the Rhine, which were promising that they will hand over the hostages and carry out the orders. Caesar, because he was hastening to Italy, ordered the ambassadors to return to him before the next summer began.”

Translation Ex Vergil: “Post Laocoonta ipsum auxilio subeuntem ac tela ferentem serpentes corripiunt spirisque ligant ingentibus; et iam bis medium corporis amplexi, bis collo squamea circum terga dati illum superant capite et cervicibus altis. Ille simul manibus tendit divellere nodos perfusus sanie vittas atroque veneno, et clamores simul horrendos ad sidera tollit.”

“After Laocoon himself runs to help and bearing weapons, the serpents seize him and bind him with enormous coils. And now having embraced the middle of this body twice, and twice turned their scaley backs around his neck, they overcome him with their heads and tall necks. At the same time, he stretches to tear apart the knots with his hands, soaking his garlands with blood and black venom, and he lifts his horrendous cries to the stars.”

Course Grade Scale:

- Homework 30%
- Quizzes: 15%
- Projects: 15%
- Unit Exams: 20%
- Final Exam: 20%

Major Assessments/Units/Topics:

Assessments:

- Each semester contains 2 unit exams and a final. (Students' Spring final is project-based rather than test-based).
Students will review current and past vocabulary daily through in-class assignments and quizzes.

Students will demonstrate knowledge of literary terminologies; styles, themes, tropes, and dactylic hexameter.

Students will write analytical essays.

Students are expected to participate in group discussions, activities, and projects.

AP Latin completes all the required readings set forth by the AP Latin Exam listed below.

Fall Semester:

- **Vergil, Aeneid**
  - Unit 1: Book 1: Lines 1-209, 418-440, 494-578
  - Unit 2: Book 2: Lines 40-56, 201-249, 268-297, 559-620
  - Book 4: Lines 160-218, 259-361, 659-705
  - Unit 3: Book 6: Lines 295-332, 384-425, 450-476, 847-899

Spring Semester:

- **Caesar, Gallic War**
  - Unit 1: Book 1: Chapters 1-7
  - Book 4: Chapters 24-35 and the first sentence of Chapter 36
    
    (Eodem die legati . . . venerunt.)
  - Unit 2: Book 5: Chapters 24-48
  - Unit 3: Book 6: Chapters 13-20

- Required reading in translation
  - Fall: Vergil, Aeneid: Books 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12
  - Spring: Caesar, Gallic War: Books 1, 6, 7