
Definition

The study of the Latin language

- provides the personal satisfaction of broadening one's communicative skills,
- increases the student's transfer options as numerous four-year schools have foreign language requirements,
- enriches foreign travel through the ability to communicate with others in their own language,
- provides exposure to the richness of cultural variety,
- fosters understanding and appreciation of one's cultural heritage,
- opens new job opportunities,
- develops a new perspective on one's own language and culture,
- offers salary increments in certain occupations.

The ability to speak a foreign language is often viewed as one of the hallmarks of the aware and educated individual.

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Program Description

All of the courses in Latin are transfer-level. Students learn the basic features of the languages; develop speaking, aural comprehension, reading, and writing skills; and gain an acquaintance with the literature, history and culture of the countries concerned.

Distinctive Features

In addition to classroom instruction, foreign language students are exposed to publications, films, recordings, and videotapes in the languages being studied. Further enrichment is provided by field trips to activities as diverse as foreign restaurants or Oktoberfests.

Career Options

Banking

Consular and Junior Foreign Service Officer

Import and Export Business

International Business

International Relations

Medicine

Nursing

Overseas Employment

Police Work

Social Security Office

Teacher

Translating and Interpreting

Social Services

(Some of these careers may require education beyond the two-year college level.)

Certificate Program

Certificate not applicable.

Associate Degree

An associate degree with a major in Latin is not available. Latin courses can be included in the 18 units necessary for an associate degree with a major in Liberal Arts and Sciences or toward the General Education Requirements. (See Graduation/Associate Degree Requirements.)

Transfer

Students planning to continue studies at a four-year college or university after AVC should visit the Transfer Resource Center and consult with a counselor as soon as possible. Additional information on official transfer articulation agreements from AVC to many CSU/UC campuses can be found at the following Web site: www.assist.org

Prerequisite Completion

If a course is listed as a prerequisite for another course, that prerequisite course must be completed with a satisfactory grade in order to enroll in the next course. According to Title 5, Section 55200(d), a satisfactory grade is a grade of "A," "B," "C" or "P". Classes in which the Pass/No Pass option is available are indicated with an asterisk (*) before the course title. See "Pass/No Pass Option" in the catalog for full explanation.

Latin Courses

LATN 101 *ELEMENTARY LATIN 1

5 units

5 hours weekly

Advisory: *Eligibility for ENGL 101 and READ 099.*

A transfer-level, foundation course providing an introduction to reading, writing, and comprehension of elementary Latin, including a survey of Roman culture during the time of the Republic and Augustan periods. The course emphasizes the relationship of Latin to the vocabulary, spelling, and grammar of modern English and Romance languages. (CSU, UC, AVC)

LATN 102 *ELEMENTARY LATIN 2

5 units

5 hours weekly

Prerequisite: *Completion of LATN 101.*

A transfer-level, foundation course building on Latin 101 and providing further introduction to reading, writing, and comprehension of elementary Latin, including a survey of Roman culture during the time of the Republic and Augustan periods. The course emphasizes the relationship of Latin to the vocabulary, spelling, and grammar of modern English and Romance languages. (CSU, UC, AVC)

LATN 201 *INTERMEDIATE LATIN

5 units

5 hours weekly

Prerequisite: *Completion of LATN 102.*

A transfer-level, intermediate course in Latin, continuing the concepts introduced in Latin 101 and 102. In addition to reviewing Latin grammar and syntax, the student will translate and analyze selected readings from Cicero, Livy, Ovid, Pliny, the Vulgate Bible, Bede, Caedmon, and Medieval poetry. (CSU, UC, AVC)