

# Course Syllabus

#### Latin I

#### Course Description:

In Latin I students gain a foundational understanding of the Latin language in step-by-step, easy to follow lessons. Each week students are introduced to new vocabulary, grammar concepts, well-known Latin sayings & quotes as well as English words with Latin roots. Well laid out written exercises along with live in-class instruction allows students to gain understanding and translation skills from the first day. The knowledge of Latin vocabulary and grammar along with the practice of analyzing and paying attention to detail equip students for further language studies at higher levels and enrich their understanding of the English language. This course uses traditional methods of memorizing, drilling and written exercises to build a strong foundation of understanding and skill for beginning Latin students.

## Major Topics of Study:

All 6 tenses of Latin verbs
2 Verb conjugations
All 5 noun declensions
1/2<sup>nd</sup> declension adjectives
Cardinal & ordinal numbers
Almost 200 Latin vocabulary words
Basic translation skills

## Text/Required Materials:

First Form Latin Text
First Form Latin Student Workbook 2nd Edition
students are also required to keep a small notebook or folder for notes

# Grading:

Homework - 45% Weekly Quizzes – 35% Unit Tests – 15% Midterm/Final Exams - 5%

#### Attendance/Participation:

Students are encouraged to participate in live classes by leading oral recitations, answering and asking questions, writing answers on the board, answering poll questions and playing games. A quarterly grade is given as an extra homework assignment to incentivize students to get involved in their own learning. Attendance in live class is not required, but is encouraged as the best way to actively engage in learning. Arrangements can be made for students to receive participation points when they are not able to attend live classes.

## Expectations/Guidelines:

Students are expected to complete all written assignments along with weekly closed-book, computer-based quizzes or tests. Vocabulary, Latin sayings, and grammar forms must be memorized weekly since the study of language is cumulative and builds on itself as the student progresses. The use of outside sources such as online translators is strictly prohibited.