Philosophical Latin

Class Meetings: Monday and Wednesday 3:10 - 4:25 p.m. (Sullivan 102)

Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursdays 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Suggested Texts:


All other materials will be provided in handouts.

Course Overview:

This course is designed to introduce the student to the Latin of the medieval period, especially the scholastic period. The ultimate aim of this course is to enable the student to work with Latin texts in their research. Considerable attention will therefore be given to morphology and syntax, without which independent work with Latin texts is impossible. Students will also be introduced to the distinguishing features of medieval Latin. Finally, students will be introduced to the scholarly resources that will help them in their research.

Grading:

20% = Morphology Exam
10% = Vocabulary Exam
25% = Midterm Exam
25% = Final Exam
20% = Participation
Final grades are determined according to the following scale:

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Exams: There will be one morphology exam and one vocabulary exam. For the morphology exam, you must score an 85 or above to pass this class. You must take the morphology exam once a week until you receive an 85. All passing scores after the first try will be 85. There will be a midterm and a final. Both will consist of two parts, (1) a passage that we have done in class, and (2) a sight passage. A dictionary is allowed for the sight passage portion of the exams.

Attendance and Participation: Attendance is extremely important. If you cannot attend class, please let me know before class. Participation consists of preparing the assigned passages and being able to translate and identify their grammar in class.

Policy on Electronic Devices in Class
The use of laptops, cellphones, and tablets is prohibited unless medically necessary (See C&DS below). Use of such devices during class will result in a 5 point deduction from your participation grade for each occurrence. If there are extenuating circumstances that require you to monitor your phone, please inform me before class and step outside if necessary.

Policy on Academic Dishonesty
Every offense against academic honesty seriously undermines the teaching-learning process for which the University exists, and such offenses will be dealt with expeditiously according to the following criteria.

Definition
Academic dishonesty includes but is not limited to:

- Cheating on an examination or test; for example, by copying from another’s paper or using unauthorized materials before or during the test;
- Plagiarism, which represents as one’s own the work of another, whether published or not, without acknowledging the precise source;
• Knowing participation in the academic dishonesty of another student, even though one’s own work is not directly affected;
• Any conduct which reasonable persons in similar circumstances would recognize as dishonest in an academic setting.

Penalty
The penalty for an incident of academic dishonesty is, at the discretion of the faculty member, either a mark of zero for the work in question or the grade of “F” for the course.

Counseling and Disability Services (C&DS)
Counseling and Disability Services (C&DS) provides academic accommodations for students with disabilities. If a student has a documented disability, reasonable and appropriate academic accommodations for students who qualify under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are available to ensure equal access to programs and opportunities at the University. Please contact their office for the necessary paperwork. Phone: 713-525-2169
Email: shannoj@stthom.edu

Important Dates:
Monday, January 22nd = First day of class
Monday, March 12th - Friday 16th = Spring Break
Wednesday, May 2nd - Last class
Monday, May 7th 3:00pm – 5:30pm= Final Exam