

LNW 2560: Latin Prose (Cornelius Nepos) (Section 7306)

MWF 10:40-11:30 P.M. (4th period), Fall 2008

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Required Textbooks

Cornelius Nepos. *Three lives: Alcibiades, Dion, Atticus*. Introduction, text, notes, vocabulary by R. Roebuck. Bristol: Bristol Classical Press; Chicago: Bolchazy-Carducci Publishers. 1987. ISBN: 0862922844 (U.K.); 0865162077 (U.S.)

Course Activities

We will read from the Latin text of Cornelius Nepos' *Lives* on a daily basis. Students will be required to translate the assigned portion of text before they come to class. We will then go over the translation, paying attention to matters of morphology, syntax, vocabulary, and semantics.

Grading

20%	Quizzes
10%	Attendance
10%	Homework
40%	2 Exams (February 9, March 6)
20%	Final Exam (Thursday, April 30, 7:30-9:30 A.M.)

A	=	90-100
B+	=	87-89.9
B	=	80-86.9
C+	=	77-79.9
C	=	70-76.9
D+	=	67-69.9
D	=	60-66.9
F	=	0-59.9

Quizzes

Quizzes will be announced and unannounced, at the instructor's discretion. Anyone who arrives late or is absent on a quiz day will receive a zero for that quiz. Every Monday, a translation quiz will be given over the assignment that was discussed in class on the previous class period (the Friday of the week before). On Wednesdays and Fridays (usually Fridays) throughout the semester, quizzes will be administered on various topics of morphology, syntax, vocabulary, and semantics. These are intended to reinforce students' understanding of basic grammar and to expand their knowledge to include other concepts which will be important for success in reading Latin texts.

Absentee Policy

In order to participate and to learn Latin you must be physically present. Neither homework, nor quizzes, nor tests can be made up for unexcused absences or for coming to class late; a zero will be recorded for those grades. The attendance grade will be calculated by dividing the number of class periods at which a student is present by the total number of class periods of the entire semester. However, each student will be granted two (2) absences before their absences start to affect their grade. *Nota bene*: these two free absences are intended to cover days missed for minor illness, or other such unforeseeable circumstances. If a student chooses simply to

skip class twice early in the semester, then he/she will be at the mercy of fortune for the remainder of the semester.

For UF's policies on attendance, see:

<http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/catalog/policies/regulationattendance.html>

Homework

All homework must be completed punctually. The projected homework assignments for each day may be found on the schedule. All homework assignments are, however, subject to change. The homework grade will be calculated by dividing the number of class periods to which a student comes with their assignment fully prepared by the total number of class periods for which homework is assigned.

Exams

Three exams will be administered throughout the course of the semester. The first will cover the entire text of Nepos' *Life of Alcibiades*, the second will cover the *Life of Dion*, and the final will cover the *Life of Atticus*. These exams will consist of several passages of Latin drawn from the assignments covered since the previous exam, along with associated questions about parsing, syntax, vocabulary, and semantics.

The final exam will be on April 30, 7:30-9:30 A.M. The date and time of the final exam, as listed on the University of Florida course catalog, is non-negotiable.

Extra Credit

No extra credit will be offered.

Honesty

All students are responsible for knowing and obeying the student honor code, which can be found in the UF undergraduate catalog on-line: <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/academic.php>

Student honor code: On all work submitted for credit by students at the university, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

Consequences of cheating: Cheating in any form is a fundamental violation of education. Therefore, any cheating will be dealt with according to the procedures set forth by the Dean of Students Office. Please review them here: <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/procedures/academicguide.php>

To be clear, cheating includes, but is not limited to representing as one's own any work that was actually the work another student, providing work for which another student will receive credit, copying another student's answers on a test or quiz, or downloading homework or any other assignment from the internet and representing it as your own work.

For more information, please read the university catalogue:

<http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/catalog/policies/students.html#honesty>

Disability Resource Center

All pertinent information can be found at <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/>