

Latin 215/315: Intermediate/Advanced Latin
Fall Semester 2015
Syllabus

- Time and place: MWF, 8:00–8:50, Ruter 106.
- Instructor and office hours: Judson Herrman, <jherrman@allegheny.edu>; available in Ruter 304, Mon. 8:50–9:55, Tue. 10:45–12:15, Wed. 8:50–9:55 and 11:00–12:15, Fri. 8:50–9:55.
- Description: this course will develop Latin reading skills with a focus on Tacitus' *Dialogus*, a dialogue about the decline of oratory during the Roman empire, which we will read in its entirety. We will focus on increasing Latin reading speed and comprehension. We will pay attention to the Latin prose style and the rhetorical content of the work. 215 students undertake a comprehensive grammar review; for 315 students grammar review is occasional and as needed.
- Website: <<http://www.jherrman.net/lat-315-2015f.html>>.
- Requirements: attendance of all meetings is expected and any absences should be pre-arranged if possible. Course grade will be based on the following:
 - Daily preparation and participation (20%).
 - Regular quizzes focusing on translation (45%; Fri. 18 Sep., Fri. 16 Oct., Fri. 13 Nov.). 215 students will be responsible for less prepared material than 315 students. Specific passages to review will be posted on the webpage.
 - For 215 only: regular grammar review reading and written homework assignments (15%).
 - For 315 only: essay of three to four pages, incorporating a close reading of (parts of) the text and reacting to secondary scholarship (15%; due Fri. 20 Nov.).
 - Final exam on seen and unseen material (20%; Mon. 14 Dec. 2:00pm).
- Textbooks:
 - C. E. Bennett, *Tacitus, Dialogus de Oratoribus* (Boston: Ginn and Co., 1902). Public domain pdf linked on webpage.
 - A. Gudeman, *P. Cornelii Taciti Dialogus de oratoribus* (Boston: Ginn and Co., 1894). Public domain pdf linked on webpage.
 - C. Lewis, *An Elementary Latin Dictionary* (Oxford: Oxford UP, 1981). ISBN: 0199102058. Public domain electronic version linked on webpage.
 - R. Mayer, *Tacitus: Dialogus de oratoribus* (Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2001). ISBN: 0521469961.
 - (For 215:) J. Morwood, *A Latin Grammar* (Oxford: Oxford UP, 2000). ISBN: 0198602774.
- Provisional schedule:

Fri. 28 Aug.	Read 1.1–2.1 (<i>consecutum</i>).
Mon. 31 Aug.	Read 2.2–4.2 (<i>colam</i>); Mayer 1–5.
Wed. 2 Sep.	Read 5.1–5.6 (<i>possis</i>).
Fri. 4 Sep.	215 grammar (synopsis). Read 5.7–6.3 (<i>habere</i>).
Mon. 7 Sep.	Read 6.4–7.3 (<i>ingerunt</i>); Mayer 6–8.
Wed. 9 Sep.	Read 7.4–8.3 (<i>acceperint</i>).
Fri. 11 Sep.	215 grammar (verb IDs). Read 8.4–9.2 (<i>prosequitur</i>).
Mon. 14 Sep.	Read 9.3–10.2 (<i>vidisset</i>); Mayer 8–9.
Wed. 16 Sep.	Read 10.3–10.8 (<i>excusata</i>).
Fri. 18 Sep.	Quiz.

- Mon. 21 Sep. 215 grammar (indirect statement: Morwood 82–85, sentences 1–7 and 9). Read 11.1–12.3 (*defenderent*); Mayer 9–12.
- Wed. 23 Sep. Read 12.4–13.5 (*experiar*).
- Fri. 25 Sep. Read 13.6–14.4 (*consumere*).
- Mon. 28 Sep. Read 15.1–16.3 (*concordiam*); Mayer 12–16.
- Wed. 30 Sep. Read 16.4–17.2 (*suffecit*).
- Fri. 2 Oct. 215 grammar (indirect command and questions: Morwood 86–87, 89–91 and sentences 3–5 and 7–8, Morwood 94–95 and sentences 4–5 and 8). Read 17.3–17.5 (*narrabant*).
- Mon. 5 Oct. Read 17.6–18.5 (*elumbem*); Mayer 16–18.
- Wed. 7 Oct. Read 18.6–20.1 (*legimus*).
- Fri. 9 Oct. Read 20.2–21.1 (*facit*).
- Wed. 14 Oct. Read 21.2–21.9 (*suffecerit*).
- Fri. 16 Oct. Quiz.
- Mon. 19 Oct. 215 grammar (participles and conditions: Morwood 76–81 with sentences 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11–12, and Morwood 114–117 with sentences 2, 4, 6, 12). Read 22.1–22.3 (*splendens*); Mayer 18–22.
- Wed. 21 Oct. Read 22.4–23.5 (*dicendi*).
- Fri. 23 Oct. Read 23.6–25.2 (*extitisse*).
- Mon. 26 Oct. Read 25.3–26.2 (*exprimant*); Mayer 22–27.
- Wed. 28 Oct. Read 26.3–27.1 (*laccessendo*).
- Fri. 30 Oct. 215 grammar (clauses of purpose, result, fear: Morwood 96–98 with sentences 2, 4, 6, 11, Morwood 99–101 with sentences 2, 4, 6, 7, Morwood 102–103 with sentences 2, 4, 7). Read 27.2–28.3 (*praedixero*).
- Mon. 2 Nov. Read 28.4–29.4 (*adulationis*); Mayer 27–31.
- Wed. 4 Nov. Read 30.1–30.5 (*possit*).
- Fri. 6 Nov. Read 31.1–31.6 (*oratori*).
- Mon. 9 Nov. Read 31.7–32.5 (*proditum est*); Mayer 31–44.
- Wed. 11 Nov. Read 32.6–33.6 (*videntur*).
- Fri. 13 Nov. Quiz.
- Mon. 16 Nov. 315 paper due. 215 grammar (cum and dum clauses: Morwood 122–125 with sentences 1–6). Read 34.1–34.4 (*displiceret*).
- Wed. 18 Nov. Read 34.5–35.3 (*controversiae*).
- Fri. 20 Nov. Read 35.4–36.6 (*locum*).
- Mon. 23 Nov. Read 36.7–37.5 (*invenit*); Mayer 44–47.
- Mon. 30 Nov. Read 37.6–38.2 (*depacaverat*); Mayer 47–50.
- Wed. 2 Dec. Read 38.3–40.1 (*admovebat*).
- Fri. 4 Dec. 215 grammar (gerunds and gerundives: Morwood 108–113 with sentences 1–7). Read 40.2–40.4 (*pensavit*).
- Mon. 7 Dec. Read 41.1–42.2 (*discessimus*).