

5.00 credits

45.0 h + 22.5 h

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This biannual learning unit is not being organized in 2026-2027 !

Teacher(s)	Meunier Nicolas ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites	LGLOR1331 et LGLOR1332, or equivalent level
Main themes	In-depth study of specific issues in synchronic or diachronic linguistics of Latin, with particular attention to Imperial and Late Latin.
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to : 1 develop a linguistic reflection on questions and issues related to the Latin language; 2 identify, explain and illustrate different stages of evolution of the Latin language.
Evaluation methods	The evaluation of the learning outcomes will take place as follows: - Written test of theoretical knowledge and practical skills acquired during the course. This test will be worth 60% of the final mark (12/20). It will take place in the June session. In case of failure, the remedial test will be held at the September session under the same conditions. - Oral test to check mastery of cursive reading. This test will be worth 40% of the final mark (8/20). It will take place in the June session. In case of failure, the remedial test will be held at the September session under the same conditions. Generative artificial intelligence (AI) must be used responsibly and in accordance with the practices of academic and scientific integrity. Scientific integrity requires that sources be cited, and the use of AI must always be reported. The use of artificial intelligence for tasks where it is explicitly forbidden will be considered as cheating.
Teaching methods	A combination of interactive lectures and independent (extensive) reading. Students will be encouraged to participate actively in the seminar by working in groups to present the features of a metrical pattern to the class and by preparing in advance the translations for Module 2 (15 hours).
Content	This Master's specialisation seminar will consist of two modules. The first one (30h) will deal with the following topics: • The Latin metric (deep rules of the hexameter, as well as characteristics of the iambo-trochaic and aeolic verses). • Selected chapters of questions of Latin linguistics, intended to illustrate the evolutions of Latin in the post-classical period (imperial and late Latin). The second module (15 hours) will consist of a commented reading of significant excerpts from historiographical literary works of the imperial period (specifically, passages from Livy, Suetonius, Tacitus, and Ammianus Marcellinus). At the same time, students will read a long Latin text independently (cursive reading). This year it will be significant extracts from Seneca's <i>Letters to Lucilius</i>.

Bibliography	Quelques ouvrages de référence (liste non exhaustive) : • ADAMS J.N. (2013), <i>Social variation and the Latin language</i> , Cambridge: Cambridge university press. • Califf D. J., <i>A Guide to Latin Meter and Verse Composition</i> , Londres : Anthem Press, 2002. • CLACKSON J. (2007), <i>The Blackwell history of the Latin language</i> , Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell. • Crusius F., <i>Römische Metrik. Eine Einführung</i> , 8e éd. revue par Rubenbauer H., Munich : Max Hueber Verlag, 1986 [1967]. • ERNOUT A. (1953), <i>Morphologie historique du latin</i> , 3 éd., Paris: Klincksieck. • LURAGHI S. et BUBENIK V.t. (2013), <i>Bloomsbury companion to historical linguistics</i> , London ; New York: Bloomsbury Academic, an imprint of Bloomsbury Publishing. Plc (Bloomsbury companions). • Magno P., <i>Principi di metrica latina</i> , Fasano di Brindisi : Schena editore, 2003. • MEILLET A. (1952), <i>Esquisse d'une histoire de la langue latine</i> , Paris: Klincksieck. • NOUGARET L. (1986), <i>Traité de métrique latine classique</i> , 4 éd., Paris: Klincksieck. • WEISS M.L. (2009), <i>Outline of the historical and comparative grammar of Latin</i> , Ann Arbor: Beech Stave press.
Faculty or entity in charge	EHAC

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Master [60] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	LAFR2M1	5		
Master [120] in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures	LAFR2M	5		
Certificat universitaire en langue, littérature et civilisation latines	ELAT9CE	5		
Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Classics	CLAS2M1	5		
Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics	CLAS2M	5		
Master [120] of Education, Section 4 : Ancient Greek and Latin	CLAS2M4	5		
Master [120] of Education, Section 4 : French	FRAN2M4	5		