

Classics: Fall 2026

Undergraduate Course Offerings

CLA 131 MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY

(3 CR)

-201 (Asynchronous fully online)	Dr. Valerio Caldesi-Valeri (vcaldesiv@uky.edu)
-202 (Asynchronous fully online)	Dr. Laura Manning (Lamanning@uky.edu)
-203 (Asynchronous fully online)	TBD
-204 (Asynchronous fully online)	TBD
-205 (Asynchronous fully online)	TBD

Medical Terminology is a self-paced, computer-assisted course designed to acquaint the student with medical vocabulary that derives from Greek and Latin and to explore the etymologies through which medical prefixes, suffixes, and combining forms from those two languages came into their modern usages in the various departments of medicine. While this course is designed primarily for students planning careers in the health services, it is recommended for all students in any major or discipline who wish to improve their understanding of medical and health-related terms. Students study independently using the text and available computer resources and are tested through the semester on their competency with the material. **No prerequisites.**

CLA 132-201 LEGAL TERMINOLOGY

(3 CR)

(Asynchronous fully online)	Dr. Leni Ribeiro Leite (leni.leite@uky.edu)
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Legal Terminology is a self-paced, computer-assisted course designed to acquaint the student with legal terminology that derives from Greek and Latin and offers tools for students to explore and understand the words and phrases that are created and used in the legal world. Students study independently using the text and available computer resources and are tested through the semester on their competency with the material. **No prerequisites.**

CLA 135-001 GREEK and ROMAN MYTHOLOGY

(3 CR)

MWF 10:00-10:50	TBD
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Greek and Roman Mythology aims at introducing students to the myths of the Ancient Greek and Roman civilizations, both observing how the people of ancient times understood and used them, and how they echoed throughout the arts and literatures of many other times and places. **FULFILLS UKCORE INQUIRY, HUMANITIES. No Prerequisites.**

**CLA 191-001 CHRISTIANITY, CULTURE AND SOCIETY: A HISTORICAL INTRODUCTION
(3 CR)**

TR 2:00-3:15pm

Dr. Derek King (derek.king@uky.edu)

This course is an introduction to the history of Christianity from its origins through the Protestant Reformation. It begins with the rise of Christianity within the matrix of Second Temple Judaism and then examines its spread into the Greco-Roman world. In this period, approximately the first four hundred years of its history, Christianity moved from being a persecuted minority sect to become the dominant religious force in the Roman Empire. We then move on to the emergence of the Christian Church as a powerful force in Medieval Europe and then finally to the development of the various forms of Protestant Christianity in the sixteenth century. **FULFILLS UKCORE INQUIRY, HUMANITIES. No Prerequisites.**

CLA 229 ANCIENT NEAR EAST AND GREEK TO THE DEATH OF ALEXANDER (3 CR)

Section 001 MWF 11-11:50

Dr. Daniel Gargola (digarg01@uky.edu)

Section 002 MWF 10-10:50

Dr. Valerio Caldesi-Valeri (vcaldesiv@uky.edu)

Mesopotamia, and the history of the ancient Near East and Greece to the conquest of Greece by Philip of Macedon. **FULFILLS UKCORE INQUIRY, HUMANITIES. No Prerequisites.**

CLA 301-001 LATIN LITERATURE I

(3 CR)

MWF 1-1:50pm

TBD

In this course we will read the first book of the Aeneid in which we enter the epic poem in medias res. Book 4 tells the love story of Dido, Queen of Carthage, and Aeneas, who (reluctantly) abandons her to her tragic death. **Prerequisite: LAT 202, LAT211 or the equivalent. UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT.**

CLA 331-001 GENDER AND SEXUALITY IN ANTIQUITY

(3 CR)

MWF 12-12:50pm

Dr. Laura Manning (Lamanning@uky.edu)

A survey of the construction of gender, sexuality, and their relation to and expression in the societies of ancient Greece and Rome. Gender roles, marriage, social problems concerning sex and virginity, and different ways of understanding sexuality and gender in historical contexts are examined through the study of ancient literature, art and the insights of contemporary scholarship. **No prerequisites.**

CLA 391-001 CHRISTIANS IN THE ROMAN EMPIRE

(3 CR)

TR 9:30-10:45pm

Dr. Derek King (derek.king@uky.edu)

This course discusses the changing status of Christians in the Roman Empire between 100 and 500 CE. An underlying theme of this course is: What is it to be a Christian? Students will read and discuss

both primary and secondary sources and analyze how the answer to the above-mentioned question changed during the Roman Empire. Topics to be discussed include heresies, persecution, definitions of doctrines and practices, the relationship to the Roman Empire, and more. All students will write a book review, take two essay exams, and participate in regular discussion.

CLA 501-201 LATIN COMPOSITION

(3 CR)

Fully online, synchronous, MW 3:30-4:45 pm

Dr. Milena Minkova (mmink2@uky.edu)

The course is designed for students with a good command of Latin morphology and basic knowledge of Latin syntax. The participants will deepen their knowledge of Latin syntax, internalize the principles of Latin grammar and usage, and develop sensitivity to prose style. The course will involve readings from Latin authors from all periods, and exercises in Latin prose composition. It will foster familiarization with the language through exercises that will go beyond simple translation from English. **Prereq: Proficiency in Latin above the 300 level.**

CLA 555 GREEK PROSE: PLATO (3 CR)

TR 11:00-12:15pm

Dr. James Brusuelas (james.brusuelas@uky.edu)

Prereq. GRK 202 or with Instructor's Permission

MCL 591-201 EXERCISES IN COMMUNICATIVE LATIN (3CR)

Fully online, synchronous, TR 5-6:15

Dr. Terence Tunberg (clatot@uky.edu)

In this course students, who already have a basic knowledge of Latin morphology and structure, and who can already read simpler unadapted Latin texts (even if using a dictionary often), will engage in directed research, activities and intensive interaction designed to help them achieve some ability to communicate orally in correct Latin on a wide range of subjects. The course, therefore, aims at fostering in its participants a more instinctive command of Latin - a command that will contribute to an easier and a quicker understanding of works written in Latin, and will give teachers of Latin (at any level) access to a wider range of strategies and activities in the classroom.

Online only; Instructor's Permission Required

GRK 101-001 ELEMENTARY GREEK: BIBLICAL GREEK (3 CR)

MWF 9:00-9:50 AM

Dr. Valerio Caldesi Valeri (vcaldesiv@uky.edu)

This course is the first of a four-course sequence to develop a reading ability of Biblical Greek. It is designed for students interested in reading the Greek New Testament and Greek Septuagint. Students start with the alphabet and by the end of the term are able to read paragraph length stories and dialogues. **No prerequisites. UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS.**

GRK 201-001 INTERMEDIATE GREEK, PART 1 (3 CR)

MWF 9:00-9:50am

Dr. James Brusuelas (James.Brusuelas@uky.edu)

This course is the third of a four-course sequence to develop a reading ability of ancient Greek. It is ideal for students who wish to read classical Greek prose, poetry, and drama in the original language. The sequence is also designed for students interested in reading the Greek New Testament and Greek

Septuagint. Students continue from GRK 101 where they started with the alphabet and by the end of the term were able to read paragraph length stories and dialogues. In this course students deepen their understanding of Greek grammar and by the end should be able to read simple unadapted prose texts. **GRK 102 or equivalent. UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS.**

LAT 101 ELEMENTARY LATIN, PART 1 (3 CR)

-001 MWF	9:00-9:50pm	TBD	
-002 MWF	1:00-1:50pm	TBD	
-003 TR	9:30-10:45	TBD	
-202 TR	6-7:40pm (synchronous online)		TBD

This is the first course in a four-semester sequence of courses whose purpose is to introduce students to the basic vocabulary, grammar, and conceptual features of the Latin Language. We will also pay attention to the civilization, literature, art, history, and political institutions created by the ancient Romans, viewed in the contexts of the ancient, medieval, and Renaissance cultures in which the Latin language flourished. **No prerequisites. UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS.**

LAT 201 INTERMEDIATE LATIN, PART 1 (3 CR)

-001 MWF	9:00-9:50pm	TBD
-002 MWF	1-1:50pm	TBD

This is the third course in a four-semester sequence of courses whose purpose is to introduce students to the basic vocabulary, grammar, and conceptual features of the Latin language. The course will be dedicated to reading masterpieces of Latin literature throughout the centuries and learning not only about the Latin language and literature, but also about their impact on every part of Western civilization. **Prerequisite: LAT 102 or equivalent. UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS.**

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