

Faculty of Arts and Letters



ROM2490 Latin authors

[30h] 3.5 credits

This two-yearly course is taught in 2006-2007, 2008-2009,...

This course is taught in the 1st semester

Teacher(s): Paul Deproost
Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

To keep in touch with the latin language and literature, seeing the interest to be found for the " roman " studies. At the end of the course, the students must be able :

- to translate and explain the passages studied during the course ;
- to understand globally a text they read for the first time at the exam and which they individually prepare.
- to write a paper on the problematic linked to the work or author studied.

Main themes

Explanation of authors of the Ancient, Medieval or Renaissance Latin civilization.

The choice is made according to the intrinsic interest of the students and to what they know about the roman literatures (especially French). If need be, the specific traits of the language of the age in question will be underlined.

Content and teaching methods

Thanks to this course, the students should be able to remain in contact with the latin language and literature, taking into account the linguistic, cultural and historical interest of the study of latin for the particular perspective of the roman studies. The precise reading or translation of an author of the antic, christian, medieval or renaissance Latin civilization is accompanied with a literary explanation in line with the history of the roman literatures, the evolution of the themes and of the literary genres, the new orientations of text analysis. Without being the priority, special attention is paid to the linguistic and rhetoric explanation : observation of remarkable language facts, of characteristic language traits of each age, analysis of the different language levels, prosody and metrics, style procedures, etc.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Prerequisites : It is mandatory for the students, enrolled on the program of the Roman Studies, to have followed the courses on Latin in the first 2 years of their program. Other students are advised to have followed latin courses, so that they have quite a good background.

Evaluation : Oral exam.

Teaching material : Ex Cathedra course.

Other credits in programs

ROM21	Première licence en langues et littératures romanes	(3.5 credits)
ROM22	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures romanes	(3.5 credits)