LATN CC/CCC/CD: LATIN READINGS IN SCIENCE FICTION SPRING 2012

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The general aim of this course is to improve your Latin reading and comprehension skills. The specific goal of the course this semester is to expose you to a variety of texts in Latin by reading a broad selection on topics that contributed to the development of science fiction.

Class will meet about 50 minutes per week. During this time we will translate, discuss and interpret the assigned readings. You are expected to come prepared to every class. Preparation means review of the reading from last class and work on the reading for the next class.

You are expected to complete a Latin composition, possibly an assignment on meter, and a mid-course evaluation. Failure to complete any of these assignments may significantly affect your grade in the course.

Your course grade will be based upon your **daily class performance** and upon an **ORAL final examination**. You can request a verbal evaluation of your performance at any time during the term. In general, you will be graded in this course based upon the "3 P's" of **PREPARATION**, **PARTICIPATION**, and **PROGRESS**.

TEXTS with notes will be provided electronically. Students are expected to have access to a good Latin dictionary.

A word on academic honesty: Working with other members of the class is encouraged. However, **DO NOT** simply copy someone else's translation. Copying someone else's work without giving credit is a form of plagiarism which is both dishonest and ineffective for your goal of reading Latin. Any student submitting plagiarized work will receive a 0 for that assignment.

Caveat: This syllabus is subject to revision by the instructor, provided that written or verbal notice is given in class.