National 5 Latin (Course Code: C843 75)

SCQF Level 5 (24 Credit Points)

Why study Latin?

Latin may not be a modern language but it lives on in many different ways. Originally spoken in the area around Rome, it had a major influence on the development of many European languages including: English, French, Italian, Portuguese, Romanian and Spanish. That's why it can be useful when you are learning other languages.

We still use Latin phrases and terms such as 'post mortem' today. We also use it in abbreviations like etc. (et cetera). Latin is used in science, for example in naming plant and animal species, as well as in law and medicine.

And, of course, it gives you a real insight into the culture and literature of ancient Rome.

The skills you learn in Latin are relevant to many career areas.

Career Pathways

To see what career areas this subject could lead to and the routes to get there, download and view these career pathways:

Arts, Social Sciences and Languages

Information, Culture and Heritage

Law

What do I need to get in?

The school or college will decide on the entry requirements for the course. You would normally have achieved**:**

- **National 4 Latin**

What will I study?

In this course you will get to develop your translation skills and the ability to understand, analyse and evaluate through studying Latin language and literature. You will appreciate how languages are interconnected, and understand the contribution of Roman civilisation to your own culture and that of others. You will develop your literacy skills by listening, talking, reading and writing in English, and reading in Latin.

The course comprises **two** areas of study.

Translating

You will:

- study detailed Latin texts
- develop the language skills needed for translating
- develop knowledge and understanding of vocabulary, accidence and syntax.

Literary Appreciation

You will:

- develop the language skills needed to understand, analyse and evaluate detailed texts in Latin and to translate into English
- develop knowledge and understanding of literary techniques and aspects of Roman culture.

How will I be assessed?

Course Assessment

The course assessment has **two** components **totalling 100 marks**:

- Component 1: question paper 1: Latin: Literary Appreciation – worth 60 marks
- Component 2: question paper 2: Latin: Translating – worth 40 marks.

The question papers will be set and marked externally by the SQA.

The grade awarded is based on the total marks achieved across all course assessment components.

The course assessment is graded A-D.

Study Materials

- SQA Past Papers Latin National 5
- SQA Specimen Paper Latin National 5 (Literary Appreciation)
- SQA Specimen Paper Latin National 5 (Translating)
- SQA Understanding Standards Latin

What can I go on to next?

If you complete the course successfully, it may lead to:

- **Higher Latin**

Further study, training or employment in:

- Arts, Social Sciences and Languages
- Information, Culture and Heritage
- Languages
- Law

- Teaching and Classroom Support