



**GATE**  
GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

NEW PROGRAM: LATIN

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## Amo Linguam Latinam (I LOVE LATIN!)

This course will provide classroom instruction for students in grades 7-10 who have advanced skills in language arts. The course is designed so that the participating students can complete in two years the Latin language content assigned in Michigan High School Content Expectations (HSCE) for all four years of high school as well as meet the Common Core National Standards. Every semester of the GATE Latin program would correspond to one year of high school Latin.

Below are the equivalents:

GATE Latin Program Offerings:	High School Offerings:
Semester 1 (Fall, Year 1)	Latin 1
Semester 2 (Spring, Year 1)	Latin 2
Semester 3 (Fall, Year 2)	Latin 3
Semester 4 (Spring, Year 2)	Latin 4 and AP Latin

Students will take the National Latin Exam at the end of each year, and can take the optional **AP Latin exam** at the end of their second year.

- Although Latin is no longer a spoken language, the course will draw upon speaking and listening skills to aid student comprehension.
- Discussions of language will be anchored in regular conversations about linguistics and the role of Latin in shaping English as a language.
- Class will be held via live online video broadcast weekly and on campus once a month.
- Material available on the online interface D2L.
- “Virtual” labs available.



## Instructional Plan

This is a technology-enhanced **HYBRID** course. All GATE Latin program students require a computer capable of running word processing programs compatible with MS Word and PDF, a microphone and a webcam. Students will also need access to a high speed Internet connection so they can connect to the live online video broadcast and the GATE Latin course management website (D2L), as well as any other online materials used. Students will complete homework exercises and access study materials via D2L and Eli Review. The computer enhanced portion of the course will provide the following advantages to students:

### Self-pacing

Students can take the time they need to do the **online portion** of the course as long as they complete the assignments before the deadlines.

### Preparedness

Learning a language successfully requires consistent work and effort (not last minute cramming before an exam). Having to complete assignments online on a regular basis will help students to keep up with the course material, come to class better prepared, and improve their chances of success in learning Latin.

### Immediate feedback

Students will receive grades immediately on some homework exercises and will be actively engaging in providing each other with feedback and language interaction.

## Student Advantages

- The accelerated program allows students to complete the traditional four-year high school Latin program in two years.
- The time freed by the program gives students more options, including honors/AP/IB classes or dual enrollment in college courses.
- Students have the opportunity to work with university professors in a small class setting.



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