

OUR PHILOSOPHY

The Latin language is a cornerstone of Western Civilization. For over 2000 years it has been the language of emperors, popes, scholars, poets, peasants, and soldiers. And yet the beauty and vitality of the Latin language is often obscured in traditional classroom settings where Latin is treated as a set of rules to be memorized or a grammatical puzzle to be dissected rather than a language to be heard, spoken, written, and read.

We treat Latin as a language in all its fullness. At the Paideia Institute Living Latin program, participants approach Latin in a way that draws on all their innate language acquisition abilities. Classes combine daily readings and rigorous grammar and syntax review with active oral production in the one-of-a-kind setting of Rome. Through this synthesis of authentic experiences, the course encourages participants to fall in love with Latin and make it their own. By discovering Latin and its literature in Rome, students naturally associate the language with the sights, smells, and textures of the ancient world. Rome and its surrounding sites provide a nexus of meaningful associations that is irreplicable in the typical classroom setting.

*Miratur facilisque oculos fert omnia circum
Aeneas, capiturque locis et singula laetus
exquiratque auditque virum monumenta priorum*
Vergil, *Aeneid* 8.310-312

THE PAIDEIA INSTITUTE



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LIVING HIGH SCHOOL LATIN IN ROME



**A SPOKEN LATIN EXPERIENCE
FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
AND TEACHERS**

**JULY 2 - JULY 13, 2012
ROME, ITALY**

COURSE DESCRIPTION

For Students: This two-week course gives the most motivated and well-prepared high school Latin students* the opportunity to experience Rome through Latin literature and language. Student participants meet together for a morning session, team-taught by Bryan and Clem, where they read and discuss ancient authors using oral Latin. In the afternoon, students visit Rome's most famous sites and work in small groups on dynamic Living Latin exercises designed to integrate the Latin literature and language with the city.

For Teachers: This two-week course gives high school Latin teachers** the opportunity to gain experience with Living Latin pedagogy and the city of Rome while working with the country's most talented and motivated Latin students. Mornings are spent in the classroom with Living Latin in Rome's adult program. Afternoons are spent working with students on site.

*This course is intended for rising and graduated seniors. Rising juniors may be admitted by special permission.

**Teachers must be currently employed as a Latin teacher at a public or private American high school and are subject to a background check.

SUPERVISION

Student participants are carefully supervised at all times by Paideia Institute Instructors.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

During their stay in Rome, students live at Foyer Unitas' Lay Centre, an educational institution on the Caelian Hill in the heart of Rome a few hundred yards from the Colosseum. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided daily. Teachers are accommodated in the Institute's shared furnished apartments in central Rome.



COSTS

Students: Tuition, Room, and Board: \$2,750
Teachers: Tuition and Room \$1,500***

APPLY

To apply or to request more information write to highschool@paideia-institute.org or contact us by phone: (609) 429-0734.

***Teacher participation includes one night a week spent supervising in the Lay Centre as the *magister incubans*.

INSTRUCTORS



Clem Wood has a B.A. from Harvard in Classics and an M.St. from Oxford in Greek and Latin Languages and Literature. He co-founded Clam Tours, a travel company in Rome, where he lived for a year in 2009-10. He has taught Latin at the Marymount School of New York since 2010 and is an alumnus of Reginald Foster's *Aestiva Romae Latinitas*.



Bryan Whitchurch has a B.A. from Utah State University in History and an M.A.T. in Latin and Classical Humanities from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He has spent two years living in Italy and currently teaches Latin at the Brooklyn Latin School in New York City. He has learned to speak Latin at various spoken Latin summer programs in the U.S. including the University of Kentucky's spoken Latin immersion *Conventiculum*.

For more information visit
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