

Latin Literature Ph.D. Reading List

Recent or standard commentaries in English are indicated where available. Bear in mind that, in many cases, the standard commentaries are in other languages. Also bear in mind that the biggest commentary is seldom the most useful in helping you read through a text at speed. Browse the stacks and catalogue; see what's there; use anything that looks helpful. As a rule of thumb, it is always useful to consult the Budé editions of authors, as they have helpful supplementary notes (along with the French translation).

You are welcome to substitute other works or selections for any given author, provided that the substituted text is of roughly the same sort and length as the prescribed text. To make substitutions, you must write up a proposed list and submit it to the faculty member who will administer your test no less than one month before the test date.

Author	In Latin	In Translation
Epigraphic Texts:	in <i>Remains of Old Latin IV: Archaic Inscriptions</i> (ed. Warmington; Loeb Classical Library): I.i.1–10, 18 (pp. 2-13) (Scipionic epitaphs and epitaph of Claudia); II 23, 26 (pp. 250-59) (arval hymn and <i>S. C. de Bacchanalibus</i>)	
Ennius	<i>Annales</i> : Skutsch frgs. I.29, 47, 61; VI.9–14; VII.1, 12; IX.6; XV.5; <i>incert.</i> 82. Tragedy: Jocelyn frgs. 17c, 18, 27h, 99, 103a, 110, 134b, 165b, 171b.	
Plautus	<i>Menaechmi</i> (c. Gratwick) <i>Amphytruo</i> (c. Christenson)	<i>Rudens</i> , <i>Miles Gloriosus</i>
Terence	<i>Adelphoe</i> (c. Martin)	<i>Phormio</i>
Cicero	<i>Pro Caelio</i> (c. Austin) <i>Philippicae</i> II (c. Denniston, Ramsey) <i>De Natura Deorum</i> I (c. Dyck, Pease) <i>De Re Publica</i> VI.9–29 (= <i>Somnium Scipionis</i>) (c. Zetzel) Letters: Stockton's collection (35 letters)	<i>Phillippicae</i> I <i>De Oratore</i> I <i>De Re Publica</i> I <i>Ep. ad Famm.</i> I–III
Q. Cicero	<i>Commentariolum Petitionis</i>	
Sallust	<i>Bellum Catilinae</i> (c. McGushin)	<i>Bellum Iugurthinum</i>
Caesar	<i>Bellum Gallicum</i> VI	<i>Bellum Gallicum</i> I, <i>Bellum Civile</i> I

Lucretius	I, V (c. Bailey, Costa)	rest
Catullus	All (c. Quinn, Thompson, Fordyce)	
Nepos	Cato, Atticus (c. Horsfall)	
Vergil	<i>Eclogae</i> (c. Clausen, Coleman) <i>Georgicon</i> I, IV (c. Mynors, Thomas) <i>Aeneid</i> I, IV, VI (c. Williams, Austin)	rest rest
Horace	<i>Carmina</i> I, II, III.1–6 (c. Nisbet/Hubbard, Nisbet/Rudd) <i>Sermones</i> I <i>Ars Poetica</i> (c. Rudd)	
Livy	I, VI (c. Ogilvie, Kraus, Oakley)	II, XXI, XXII
Propertius	I, IV (c. Camps, Barber/Butler, Richardson)	
Tibullus	I (c. Putnam, Maltby)	
Augustus	<i>Res Gestae</i> (c. Brunt/Moore)	
Ovid	<i>Amores</i> I (c. Barsby, McKeown) <i>Ars Amatoria</i> I (c. Hollis) <i>Metamorphoses</i> I (c. Anderson) <i>Heroides</i> 16–17 (Paris/Helen) (c. Kenney)	<i>Ars Am.</i> III <i>Met.</i> II-III
Elder Seneca	<i>Suasoria</i> 6 (use Loeb, ed. Winterbottom)	<i>Controversiae</i> I, rest of <i>Suasoriae</i>
Velleius Paterculus	II.94–131 (Tiberian narrative) (c. Woodman)	rest of II
Valerius Maximus	I <i>Praef.</i> ; II.1.1–6.17 (“de institutis antiquis”)	rest of II; any other bk.
Younger Seneca	<i>Thyestes</i> (c. Tarrant) <i>De Brevitate Vitae</i> (= <i>Dial.</i> 10) (c. Williams) <i>Epistulae</i> 51–60	<i>Oedipus</i> , <i>De Clementia</i> , <i>Apocolocyntosis</i>
Petronius	<i>Sat.</i> 26–78 (= <i>Cena Trimalchionis</i>) (c. Smith)	rest
Lucan	I, VII (c. Getty, Postgate)	II-VI
Quintilian	VI.3	proem; rest of VI; XII
Statius	<i>Thebaid</i> IX (c. Dewar) <i>Silvae</i> IV (c. Coleman)	<i>Thebaid</i> I, XII

Martial	<i>Liber de Spectaculis; Epigr. I</i> (c. Howell)	
Younger Pliny	<i>Epistulae VI</i> (c. Sherwin-White)	<i>Ep. X; Panegyricus</i>
Tacitus	<i>Ann. I, XV.47–XVI.34</i> (Pisonian conspiracy) (c. Goodyear, Furneaux)	<i>Agricola, Germania, Dialogus</i>
Suetonius	lives of Terence, Horace, Lucan; life of Claudius (c. Hurley)	<i>De Grammaticis et Rhetoribus</i> (tr. Kaster)
Juvenal	<i>Sat. 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10</i> (c. Braund, Courtney)	rest of Satires
Gellius	V.10–21	<i>praef.</i> ; rest of V
Fronto	<i>Epp. ad M. Caesarem et invicem I</i> (pp. 1-16 in Van den Hout's 1988 Teubner edn.) (c. Van den Hout 1998—notes keyed to page and line number in Teubner edn.)	browse the Loeb edn.
Apuleius	<i>Metamorphoses IV.28–VI.24</i> (= Cupid and Psyche) (c. Kenney)	rest
Augustine	<i>Confessiones II</i>	