

Course Unit Outline
Unit Code
A7132
Unit Name
Ecclesiastical Latin I
Unit Weighting
9 credit points
Type of Unit
Foundational
Prerequisites, corequisites or exclusions
Nil
Academic Staff
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Curriculum Objectives
This course unit aims to provide the student with the basic grammatical and syntactical knowledge that will lead to a grasp of the Latin ecclesiastical writings.
Learning Outcomes
At the end of this unit students will be able to: 1) understand the basic elements of Latin grammar within the broader context of English grammar and syntax 2) understand the influence of Church Latin on Western culture, language, music and language idiom 3) demonstrate familiarity with the language structure and vocabulary encountered in scriptural, liturgical and patristic texts 4) adapt and apply knowledge gained to ecclesiastical texts 5) identify the place of the Latin language in the heritage of the Church
Threshold concept to be acquired in this unit
Content
1. Study of basic grammar 2. Common Latin phraseology 3. Latin hymns 4. Latin prayers 5. Latin liturgical texts
Learning Activities
Lectures, workshops, small groups, Problem-Based Learning.
Required Specialist Facilities or Equipment
Assessment Profile
1) Weekly quizzes Learning Outcome 1 2) Mid-semester examination Learning Outcome 1,2 and 3 3) Final Examination Learning Outcome 1, 3 and 4 4) Document translations Learning Outcomes 2 and 5
Representative References
1) Collins, John F, <i>A Primer of Ecclesiastical Latin</i> . Washington: CUA Press, 1985. 2) Lewis, C.T. and Charles Short, <i>Latin Dictionary</i> . Oxford: Clarendon, 1922. 3) Lowe, J.E., <i>Church Latin for Beginners</i> . London: Burn, Oates & Washbourne, 1923. 4) Nunn, H.P.V., <i>An Introduction to Ecclesiastical Latin</i> . Eton: Alden & Blackwell, 1952. 5) Stelten, Leo F., <i>Dictionary of Ecclesiastical Latin</i> . Hendrickson: Peabody, 1995