Teach Mob – Visiting Professors
Academic year 2014/2015

2nd term

**COURSE TITLE**
Latin civilisation

**Scientific area**
Classics - Latin language

**Department of Humanistic Studies**

**Language used to teach**
Italian

**Course summary**
"How to begin in the right way", the proem in Latin prose. Through a choice of relevant texts from Cato the Elder to the Late Antiquity, the development of Latin prose is followed and explained in all literary genres (history, philosophy, science...). Moving back to the Greek tradition and analysing the rhetorical advices of the grammarians, the texts are embedded in their linguistic and stylistic contents during the development and growth of Latin prose. High competence with Latin language is required to the students, who must add to the translational skills the lecture of some scientific papers in a list that will be prepared and updated by the professor. The list of the anthology of Latin texts to be translated and commented will be given to the students at the beginning of the lessons. The final exam is oral.

**Learning objectives**
Giving basic information about the history of Latin language and the development of literary genres, from archaic relics to late-Antique texts, through the translation of an anthology of significant Latin passages and the lecture of some reference texts in Italian.

**Lab activities**
Students attending this course have already taken a written examination on Latin grammar and translation during the undergraduate cycle.

**Visiting Professor Profile**
The visiting professor must be able to speak, read and write Italian fluently, above all in the context of philological matters (no official certificate is required). He must have relevant publications in the domain of philosophical prose and rhetoric. Particularly welcome will be in his/her CV papers concerning Cicero and/or Seneca and the philosophical sources or the Roman thought. He/she must have a good experience of teaching in his/her University abroad,
possibly not only limited to undergraduates.

Professors with already existing collaborations with Turin are welcome (edition and publication of books invited speakers in seminars/conferences co-tutoring programmes of PhD students etc.).

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