Course Number and Name

GRSE 202

Roman Literature

Intended Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course students will be able to identify different literary genres styles of the prescribed Roman dramatists / historians / philosophers, and comment on the subject matter of their works, assess their literary and didactic value and their influence on modern literature, both European and Eastern.

Course Contents

This course offers a comprehensive study of the prescribed Latin texts in translation, and of Roman ideas of literary excellence.

Assessment Strategy

- i. Time of Assessment End of the Year
- ii. Assessment Method Written examination

Assigned Percentage of Marks for each Component – 100%

Recommended References

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- 6. Dudley, D. R. *The World of Tacitus*. London: Secker and Warburg, 1968.
- 7. Fowler, H. N. *A History of Roman Literature*. New York: D Appleton and Company, 1909.
- 8. Fontaine, M. *Funny Words in Plautine Comedy*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010.
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- 11. Harrison, S. *A Companion to Latin Literature*. Oxford: Blackwell, 2007.
- 12. Knight, J. *Roman Vergil*. London: Faber and Faber Ltd., 1946.
- 13. Mellor, R. Tacitus. London: Routledge, 1993.
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- 15. Pratt. N. T. *Seneca's Drama*. London: The University of North Carolina Press, 1983.
- 16. Rudd, N. *Themes in Roman Satire*, Los Angeles: University of California Press, 1982.
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Prescribed Texts (in Penguin Ed.):

1. Plautus: *The Swaggering Soldier* from *The Pot of Gold and Other Plays.* Tr.E. F.

Watling.

- 2. Terence: *The Eunuch* from *The Comedies*. Tr. B. Radice, **OR***The Girl fromAndros* from *Phormio and Other Plays*. Tr. B. Radice.
- 3. Lucretius: On the Nature of the Universe. Tr. P. Green.
- 4. Vergil: *The Ecloques*. Tr. G. Lee.
- 5. Seneca: *Phaedra* from *Four Tragedies and Octavia*. Tr. E. F. Watling.
- 6. Juvenal: *Sixteen Satires*. Tr. P. Green (Satires 1-10). Tacitus: *Annals of Imperial Rome*. Bks. 13-16. Tr. M. Grant.