

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS AND RELIGION

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2015

Course	GRST 211 L01– Technical Terms of Medical and Life Sciences
Time	web-based course, online via Desire2Learn (http://d2l.ucalgary.ca), except for the on-campus final exam
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Required Text(s): Susan M. Turley, *Medical Language* (3rd edition). 2014. ISBN: 0133346838.

Course Description: In this course, students will learn the definitions of Greek and Latin words and word elements such as prefixes, bases, and suffixes, as well as English words and definitions derived from these Greek and Latin words. Students should develop a thorough understanding of word formation rules using the Greek and Latin prefixes, bases, and suffixes in order to construct and deconstruct new medical and scientific words.

Online elements for this course: This course is a self-directed online course offered on D2L (<http://d2l.ucalgary.ca>). All quizzes will be held online. However, the final exam for this course will be an **on-campus, registrar-scheduled final exam**.

If you have any questions or require any assistance with the material, please feel free to contact me. E-mail is the best way to contact me, and I will endeavour to respond to all e-mails within 24 hours on weekdays only; e-mails sent on the weekend may take slightly longer to receive a reply. If you need any technical assistance with D2L, please contact Information Technologies at <http://www.ucalgary.ca/it/>.

Core Competencies: The primary goal of this course is to equip students with the skills necessary to comprehend, acquire, and retain medical and scientific vocabulary derived from Greek and Latin. The course will be particularly useful to students in medicine and the sciences, where a large percentage of the terminology and jargon has a Classical origin.

Course Requirements: Due to the nature of the material, the on-campus final exam will be cumulative, and students must pass the final exam in order to pass the course. More information about the final exam will be available later in the semester.

Please ensure that you note these dates down carefully, as you are entirely responsible for knowing when the quizzes will occur and writing them at the correct time. If you are taking this course at a distance, please be aware that all times are Mountain Time and adjust your schedule accordingly.

Date	Assessment	Weight (%)	Material covered
9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 21, 2015, to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2015	Quiz #1	10%	Chapters 1-2
9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 5, 2015, to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2015	Quiz #2	10%	Chapters 3-5
9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 19, 2015, to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 2015	Quiz #3	10%	Chapters 6-9
9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 2, 2015, to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2015	Quiz #4	10%	Chapters 10-14
9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 23, 2015, to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 24, 2015	Quiz #5	10%	Chapters 15-19
(registrar scheduled)	Final exam	50%	Chapters 1-19

All quizzes will be available on the D2L site on the appointed day during the time period listed above, and can be written from a computer of your choice (home, computer lab, library) as your individual schedule permits. For example, Quiz #1 runs from 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 21, 2015, to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2015. You may write the exam at any time during that time period, although the quiz must be finished before the end of the time allotted (i.e., by 9:00 p.m.). Further information and regulations regarding tests are posted on D2L, and you should read these carefully prior to the first quiz. You may notice that the number of chapters covered by each quiz increases as the semester progresses. However, the number of new terms to master does not change, as the first chapters contain more material than the later chapters by necessity.

Grading

A numerical mark will be given for each course requirement. A letter grade will be assigned on the following number and letter grade scheme:

A+	100 - 98	A	97 - 94	A-	93 - 90
B+	89 - 85	B	84 - 80	B-	79 - 75
C+	74 - 70	C	69 - 65	C-	64 - 60
D+	59 - 55	D	54 - 50	F	Under 50

N.B. Any grade ending in .4% and below will be rounded down and any grade ending in .5% and above will be rounded up. Grades are calculated to one decimal place. There is no curving and no bonus assignments are available for this course.

Policy with regard to missed assignments/assessments: Test deferrals will not be granted without prior notification except in special cases. Valid excuses must be accompanied by appropriate documentation. Please contact me as soon as possible to make arrangements.

It is your responsibility to keep track of quiz dates and ensure that you complete the quizzes within the allotted time. Any missed quizzes during the semester will result in a grade of 0 for that quiz.

Expectations for student conduct in this course: This course lasts thirteen (13) weeks and is entirely self-directed, covering the entirety of Turley's *Medical Language*. There are no in-class lectures and students are entirely responsible for mastering the material themselves. There is a suggested reading schedule posted on D2L which keeps pace with the quizzes.

Syllabus:

A complete syllabus will be made available on D2L during the first week of class.

References and Bibliography:

The Department of Classics and Religion uses the most recent edition of the Chicago Manual of Style and requires references and bibliographies to adhere to the Chicago citation system. You can find a quick guide here: http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html. Alternatively please consult with the library staff for help and advice using the Chicago citation style.

Academic Honesty

Plagiarism is not tolerated at the University of Calgary and has serious consequences. Your essays/presentations must be your own work and inadequate referencing may be seen as plagiarism. Please see the relevant sections on Academic Misconduct in the current University Calendar (section K, which can be found here: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>.) If you have questions about correct referencing, please consult your instructor, librarian staff or the Chicago manual of style.

Student Accommodations

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/.

Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.

The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.pdf.

Desire 2 Learn (D2L) Help

Go to <http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/desire2learn/home/students> for Student Help and FAQ's about D2L. Troubleshooting tips and a tutorial are also available on this website.

Gnosis

Gnosis is the Religious Studies Student Club. For membership or more information please email: gnosis@ucalgary.ca or visit <http://www.ucalgary.ca/~gnosis>.

Classics Student Society

Classics Student Society is the Greek and Roman Studies Student Club. For membership or more information please email: classsoc@ucalgary.ca or visit <http://grst.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate/classics-students-society>.

Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources

- For program planning and advice, students in the Faculty of Arts will contact The Arts Students' Centre (ASC). Drop in at SS102, call at 403-220-3580 or email at ascarts@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library Block.

Student Ombudsperson and Students' Union Representative

The Student Ombuds Office provides independent, impartial and confidential support for students who require assistance and advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. See www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds for more information.

The Students' Union Faculty of Arts representative can be reached at arts1@ucalgary.ca.

Emergency Evacuation Assembly Point

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints. Please check this website and not the nearest assembly point for this course.

Safewalk

The Safewalk program provides volunteers to walk students safely to their destination anywhere on campus (including McMahon Stadium, Health Sciences, Student Family Housing, the Alberta Children's Hospital and the University LRT station). This service is free and available to students, staff and campus visitors 24 hrs/day, 365 days a year. Call 403-220-5333 or use one of the Help phones located throughout campus to request a walk.