

Teaching Latin with AI

Workshop facilitators are [Dr. Patrick J Burns](#) & [Dr. David M. Ratzan](#)

This professional development seminar is hosted by the Institute for the Study of the Ancient World Library and the New York Classical Club as part of ISAW's [Expanding the Ancient World](#) series.



Institute for the Study of the Ancient World
15 East 84th Street
Lecture Hall, 2nd Floor
Thursday, **May 2, 2024** at 4:30-6:00 PM

This ISAW workshop aims to explore techniques for integrating AI chatbots into the Latin language classroom. Chatbots (ChatGPT, but also Gemini, Claude, Copilot, and others) are having an obvious impact on classrooms around the world. The discussion in the humanities has so far focused largely on the potential for AI to interfere with learning and assessment. The point of departure for this workshop is different: to leverage the real opportunities this technology represents for Latin pedagogy.

Participants will engage in exercises that model some or all of the following language-learning activities:

- circling and real-time call-response drills in Latin to improve active comprehension
- creating new, graded, and personalized texts on accessible themes in Latin for beginning/intermediate readers
- simplifying and adapting ancient texts for beginning and intermediate readers
- generating prompts and reading comprehension questions
- generating examples and practice sentences using prescribed vocabulary (e.g. from a chapter of a textbook)
- generating images that correspond to text and vice versa

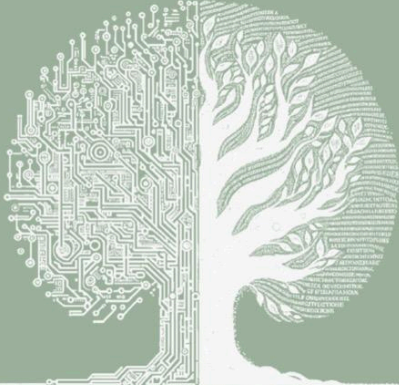




No prior experience with AI or chatbots is required. This workshop is open to anyone who teaches Latin at any level, from elementary school to college. Teachers at public schools can get CTLE credit for attending. Participants must bring a computer and will use a free AI chat interface during the workshop. Participants are encouraged to bring texts that they are currently teaching as well as supporting materials that they wish to adapt further using AI.

If you want to attend the workshop, please email Patrick J. Burns at pjb311@nyu.edu before April 18, 2024. Please note that the workshop will be capped at 25 participants.

Expanding the Ancient World at ISAW

Expanding the Ancient World is a series of professional development workshops and online resources for teachers. Keyed to the [NYC Department of Education Social Studies Scope and Sequence](#), this program is designed to offer both K-12 educators and college instructors opportunities to develop their knowledge of the ancient world and to provide classroom-ready strategies for teaching the past with reliable sources. Featuring inquiry-based workshops, flexible lesson plans, and up-to-date research, this program aims to equip teachers with information and skills that they can share with their students. CTLE credits will be offered to New York State teachers.

For more information, please email Marc LeBlanc at marc.leblanc@nyu.edu.



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May 2nd, 2024
4:30-6:00pm (in-person)
1.5 CTLE HOURS

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Registration now open at <https://bit.ly/isaw-latin-ai>
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