# Meeting The Challenge: bringing classical texts to life in the classroom

An international conference for teacher trainers and teachers of Latin, ancient Greek and classical civilisation

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## **Conference organisers**

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### Location

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### **Conference outline**

Following the success of the conference 'European perspectives on the teaching and learning of Latin', held in Cambridge in July 2005, the second Meeting The Challenge conference will examine approaches to teaching classical texts and the reception of classical literature. This will be an opportunity to meet with colleagues from many countries and share ideas on innovative ways to engage learners with classical texts and address questions such as

- ★ What is the best way to develop students' personal responses to classical literature?
- ★ How can we use fiction, drama and film to promote reflection on classical texts?
- ★ To what extent can new technologies and blended learning enhance the study of literature?
- ★ Are particular approaches needed when working with non-traditional learners?

### The venue

Venice International University is situated on the beautiful island of San Servolo, about 10 minutes by boat from St. Mark's Square. The conference facilities and acommodation are of a very high standard and there is air-conditioning in all rooms.

## **Call for papers**

We invite papers on all aspects of teaching classical literature, whether you are teaching the texts in the original language or in translation. Priority will be given to presentations that focus directly on classroom practice, particularly those that include video or audio material showing students in action.

Papers should be of about 30 minutes duration since each session will last 45 minutes, with 15 minutes set aside for questions and discussion.

Proposal forms can be obtained from the conference web site. Please note that all papers must be given in English.

The deadline for proposals is Saturday 15 December 2007 and you will be notified whether your proposal has been accepted by Saturday 2 Febuary 2008.