

Kepler Course Catalog 2025 - 2026, Grade 8

# **Grade 8 - Languages**

French 1 2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Kari Christophersen**

#### French 1

• Audience: Grades 8-12

Credits: 1.00 credit in LanguagesTimeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 12-1:15PM, Friday, 12-1:15PM PST

# **Introductory Latin Reading: Aesop's Fables**

2025 - 2026

# **Taught by Levi Gulliver**

Reading Latin is the end of Latin studies, but it's also the means of learning Latin. We will read many adapted fables of Aesopâ€"building vocabulary, fluency, and (most of all) love and diligence for Latin stories.

• Audience: Grades 6-8

Credits: 1.00 credit in LanguagesTimeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 12:15-1PM, Wednesday, 12:15-1PM PST

## **Taught by Danae Harlow**

A dual-purpose class: first-year course for rigorous students or as the third year following Latin Primers 1 & 2. Learn all about nouns, adjectives, and get a good intro to verbs: Imperative, Infinitive, Passive, Present Participles.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

Credits: 1.00 credit in LanguagesTimeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Friday, 9:30-11AM PST

## Latin Grammar 3 - Part 1

2025 - 2026

#### **Taught by Danae Harlow**

Learn to read and compose Latin. Covers the first half of Picta Dicta's rigorous curriculum, Latin Grammar 3.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

Credits: 0.50 credits in LanguagesTimeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 9:30-11AM PST

Latin Primer 2 2025 - 2026

#### **Taught by Danae Harlow**

This class is the 2nd in the Latin Primer series, and covers all 5 noun declensions, active and passive voice, and the present infinitive mood. Homework is done on a web app and in a physical workbook, and we read stories in Latin.

• Audience: Grades 6-8

Credits: 1.00 credit in LanguagesTimeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 1-2:30PM PST

# Grade 8 - Music

## **Introduction to Music**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by William Daniels**

This course is an introduction to music for non-musicians and beginners. It serves as an optional primer for Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition.

• Audience: Grades 8-12

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Music

• Timeline: 2025-06-09 - 2025-08-01

• Price: **\$250.00/summer** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 11:30-12:30PM PST

# Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition 1

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by William Daniels**

Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition 1

Audience: Grades 8-12Credits: 1.00 credit in Music

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$850.00/year** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 10:30-11:30AM PST

# Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition 2

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by William Daniels**

Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition 2

Audience: Grades 8-12Credits: 1.00 credit in Music

• Timeline: 2025-08-17 - 2026-05-07

• Price: \$850.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 11:30-12:30PM PST

# Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition 3

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by William Daniels**

This course is the continuation of Music Theory, Analysis, and Composition II.

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

• Credits: 1.00 credit in Music

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$850.00/year** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 12:30-1:30PM PST

# **Grade 8 - Rhetoric**

**Applied Logic** 2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Nichol Starr**

The application of logical principles to rhetorical arguments

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

• Credits: 1.00 credit in Rhetoric

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 7-8AM PST

# **Grade 8 - Sciences**

# **Data Analysis Using Python**

2025 - 2026

# **Taught by Sophora Services**

Data Analysis Using Python

Audience: Grades 8-Adult Education
Credits: 0.50 credits in Sciences
Timeline: 2025-09-08 - 2025-12-15

• Price: **\$549.00/Semester** 

Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 2:30-3:45PM PST

Earth Science 2025 - 2026

#### **Taught by Stacy Lung**

Explore God's perfect design for life on Earth and deepen understanding of the beauty and order in creation.

• Audience: Grades 6-8

• Credits: 1.00 credit in Sciences

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$795.00/year** 

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 8-9:30AM PST

# **Graphical User Interfaces in Python**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Sophora Services**

Graphical User Interfaces in Python

Audience: Grades 8-Adult Education
Credits: 0.50 credits in Sciences
Timeline: 2025-09-04 - 2025-12-11

• Price: **\$549.00/Semester** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 1:30-2:45PM PST

## **Human Anatomy and Physiology**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Wesley Santos**

Human Anatomy and Physiology: From Clay to Living Body.

• Audience: Grades 6-8

• Credits: 1.00 credit in Sciences

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$800.00/year** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 2-3:30PM PST

## **Taught by Sophora Services**

Introduction to SketchUp (August)

Audience: Grades 7-Adult Education
Credits: 0.00 credits in Sciences
Timeline: 2025-08-04 - 2025-08-12

• Price: **\$169.00/summer** 

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 8-12PM PST

Section B

Tuesday, 8-12PM PST

# Introduction to SketchUp (June)

2025 - 2026

# **Taught by Sophora Services**

Introduction to SketchUp (June)

• Audience: Grades 7-Adult Education

• Credits: 1.00 credit in Sciences

• Timeline: 2025-06-03 - 2025-06-03

• Price: **\$169.00/summer** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

No sections found

## **Taught by Sophora Services**

Introduction to SketchUp (May-June)

Audience: Grades 7-Adult Education
Credits: 0.00 credits in Sciences
Timeline: 2025-05-27 - 2025-06-03

• Price: **\$169.00/summer** 

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 7-11AM, Tuesday, 7-11AM PST

Life Science 2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Dr. Garrett League**

Introductory junior high life science offered from a distinctively Biblical foundation.

• Audience: Grades 7-9

• Credits: 1.00 credit in Sciences

• Timeline: 2025-08-20 - 2026-05-06

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 12-1:30PM PST

# **Practical Programming with Python**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Sophora Services**

Practical Programming with Python

Audience: Grades 8-Adult Education
Credits: 0.50 credits in Sciences
Timeline: 2025-09-08 - 2025-12-15

• Price: **\$549.00/Semester** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 4-5:15PM PST

## Grade 8 - Event

## **Diploma Track Fee**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Kepler Education**

Diploma Track Fee

• Audience: Grades 7-12

• Credits: 0.00 credits in Event

• Timeline: 2025-08-01 - 2026-05-10

• Price: **\$275.00/Special Event** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Schedule TBD

# **Grade 8 - Mathematics**

## Algebra 1 & Geometry 1/2

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Jillene Santoro**

This course is a classical, Christian approach to the liberal arts of mathematics using Shormann Math.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

Credits: 1.50 credits in Mathematics
Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### Sections:

Section A

Tuesday, 10-11:30AM PST

Pre-Algebra 2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Jillene Santoro**

Pre-Algebra is a classical, Christian approach to the liberal arts of mathematics using Shormann Math as the foundation of our discussions.

• Audience: Grades 6-8

Credits: 1.00 credit in Mathematics
Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 12-1:30PM PST

# **Grade 8 - Integrated Humanities**

#### **Great Books of the Ancient World**

2025 - 2026

# Taught by Bruce Etter | The Alyosha Society

Great Books of the Ancient World

• Audience: **Grades 7-12** 

• Credits: 2.50 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-06-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 4-5PM PST

# Taught by Bruce Etter | The Alyosha Society

Great Books of the Early Modern World 1603-1900

• Audience: Grades 8-11

• Credits: 2.00 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2025-06-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 5:30-6:30PM PST

## **Introduction to the Ancient Great Books**

2025 - 2026

#### **Taught by Tracey Leary**

Introduction to the Ancient Great Books: A course designed for middle grade students who desire to study the Great Books but may be concerned about the pace and level of material normally attempted in a Great Books course

• Audience: Grades 6-8

• Credits: 3.00 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 11:30-1PM PST

Section B

Wednesday, 11:30-1PM PST

## **Taught by Tracey Leary**

Introduction to the Early Modern Great Books: A course designed for junior high and early high school students who desire to study the Great Books.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

• Credits: 3.00 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### Sections:

Section A

Monday, 9:30-11AM PST

#### Introduction to the Medieval Great Books

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Tracey Leary**

Introduction to the Medieval Great Books: A course designed for junior high students who desire to study the Great Books but may be concerned about the pace and level of material normally attempted in a Great Books course.

• Audience: Grades 7-9

• Credits: 3.00 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section B

Wednesday, 1:30-3PM PST

Section A

Tuesday, 9:30-11AM PST

#### **Taught by Dr. Gregory Soderberg**

The Greeks: Old Western Culture is an integrated humanities class which provides an overview of the history, theology, philosophy, poetry and art produced by the culture of the ancient Greeks.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

• Credits: 3.00 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-17 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 9-10:30AM PST

#### **The Romans: Old Western Culture**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Dr. Gregory Soderberg**

The Romans: Old Western Culture

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

• Credits: 3.00 credits in Integrated Humanities

• Timeline: 2025-08-17 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 10:45-12:15PM PST

Section B

Friday, 10:45-12:15PM PST

# **Grade 8 - Humanities & Electives**

## **Creation and the Classics**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Rocky Ramsey**

Environmental Ethics from the Great Books

• Audience: **Grades 7-12** 

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-06-09 - 2025-08-01

• Price: **\$300.00/summer** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 3-4:30PM PST

## C.S. Lewis: Worlds and Works

2025 - 2026

#### **Taught by Dr. Junius Johnson**

Journey through the mind of C.S. Lewis as we read and discuss both fiction and nonfiction by one of the 20th centuries most beloved writers and apologists.

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

• Credits: 0.00 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-06-03 - 2025-07-22

• Price: **\$300.00/summer** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 11:30-1PM PST

#### **Taught by Nichol Starr**

Introduction to Informal and Formal Logic

• Audience: Grades 7-9

Credits: 1.00 credit in Humanities & Electives
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 9-10:30AM PST

## Intro to P.G. Wodehouse

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Adam Condra**

Intro to P.G. Wodehouse

• Audience: Grades 7-12

• Credits: 0.25 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-06-09 - 2025-08-01

• Price: **\$250.00/summer** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 1:30-3PM PST

## Jane Austen and the Virtues: An Introduction to Moral Philosophy

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Tracey Leary**

Jane Austen and the Virtues: An Introduction to Moral Philosophy. An exploration of the classical virtues and vices through the novels of Jane Austen

• Audience: Grades 8-10

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2026-01-05 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$400.00/Semester

• Course link

#### Sections:

Section A

# **Medieval Art Survey: Theory and Practice**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Sarah Hadley**

Medieval Art History and Art Skills

• Audience: Grades 6-8

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2025-12-12

• Price: **\$400.00/Semester** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 2:30-4PM PST

# **Music Composition Workshop**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by William Daniels**

In this workshop, students will meet weekly to discuss composition techniques, analyze pieces, and share original composition projects.

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-06-09 - 2025-08-01

• Price: **\$250.00/summer** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 10:30-11:30AM PST

# **Taught by Anne Marie McCollum**

This course seeks to cultivate wonder and a love of place in students through attending to the natural world.

• Audience: Grades 6-10

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2025-12-11

• Price: \$400.00/Semester

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 11-12:30PM PST

# Norse Mythology 2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Daniel Shirley**

Join us on a journey into the world of Norse Mythology! Together, we will explore the mysteries of myth and discover how we can learn from these ancient stories.

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2025-12-08

• Price: **\$400.00/Semester** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 1-2:30PM PST

## **Taught by Tracey Leary**

Dive into the cosmology of Narnia this summer by exploring the mythological and planetary associations of each of the seven books in C. S. Lewis's beloved series.

• Audience: Grades 6-12

• Credits: 0.25 credits in Humanities & Electives

• Timeline: 2025-06-09 - 2025-08-01

• Price: **\$250.00/summer** 

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 1:30-3PM PST

# **Grade 8 - Writing and Rhetoric**

# Following in the Footsteps of Narnia

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Dr. Junius Johnson**

Using C.S. Lewis' fictional world of Narnia as a model, students will study and practice building fictional worlds into rich settings for their stories. We will be giving attention to all aspects of setting.

• Audience: Grades 5-8

• Credits: 0.25 credits in Writing and Rhetoric

• Timeline: 2025-06-05 - 2025-07-24

• Price: \$300.00/summer

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 11:30-1PM PST

## **Taught by Jessica Clark**

Grading and Writing Coach

• Audience: **Grades 7-12** 

Credits: 0.50 credits in Writing and Rhetoric
Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$400.00/year** 

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 10-10:45AM PST

# **Grading and Writing Services (Asynchronous)**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Jessica Clark**

Students will receive personalized grading for four Old Western Culture exams, and grading on four papers written throughout the year.

• Audience: Grades 7-12

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Writing and Rhetoric

• Timeline: 2025-08-17 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$300.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 4:15-5PM PST

## **Taught by Carter Rendall**

LTW1: A course in Literature and the Art of Rhetoric using the Lord of the Rings.

• Audience: **Grades 8-12** 

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-21 - 2026-05-07

• Price: \$800.00/year

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 1-2:30PM PST

# Lost Tools of Writing 1A: Pre-Course with Alice, Peter, and Mole

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Michelle Russell**

LTW1A. Essays 1-4 with Fairytales, Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan, and Wind in the Willows

• Audience: Grades 6-8

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-19 - 2026-05-05

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 12-1PM, Thursday, 12-1PM PST

Section B

Tuesday, 8-9AM, Thursday, 8-9AM PST

## **Taught by Vanessa Priestner**

LTW1A: Lost Tools of Writing Level 1A.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Writing and Rhetoric

• Timeline: 2025-06-12 - 2025-07-31

• Price: **\$300.00/summer** 

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section B

Thursday, 11:30-1PM PST

Section A

Thursday, 8-9:30AM PST

# **Lost Tools of Writing 1B with Fairy Tales**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Amanda Kentner**

LTW1B: Students will study Invention, Arrangement, and Elocution through the first four Lost Tools of Writing essays, analyzing character decisions in Classic Fairy Tales; and building logical arguments.

• Audience: Grades 7-9

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 9-10:30AM PST

## **Taught by Amanda Kentner**

Students will learn the tools of Invention, Arrangement, and Elocution as they are introduced to essays 5-8 (with a review of essay 4) from Lost Tools of Writing Level 1.

• Audience: Grades 7-9

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 6-7:20AM PST

# **Lost Tools of Writing 1: Little Britches - Books 1-2**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Suzanne Laskey**

LTW1: Learn to write a persuasive essay with power and humility.

• Audience: Grades 6-8

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$750.00/year** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Thursday, 5-6:30AM PST

## **Taught by Debbie Sonnenfeld**

Lost Tools of Writing Level 1 course using Newbery award books and short-"ish" stories

• Audience: Grades 7-9

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

• Course link

## **Sections:**

Section A

Monday, 1-2:30PM PST

# **Lost Tools of Writing 1 Remedial**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Jacob Douvier**

LTW1: The Lost Tools of Writing program is challenging! Some students, due to a variety of circumstances, struggle to finish the program.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

• Credits: 0.50 credits in Writing and Rhetoric

• Timeline: 2025-06-09 - 2025-08-01

• Price: **\$400.00/summer** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 7-8:30AM PST

#### **Taught by Michelle Russell**

LTW1 with Beowulf, Sir Gawain & the Green Knight, and The Hobbit

• Audience: Grades 8-10

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-20 - 2026-05-06

• Price: **\$750.00/year** 

• Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 7:30-9AM PST

# **Lost Tools of Writing 1 with Fairytales**

2025 - 2026

#### **Taught by Michelle Russell**

LTW1: A first course in the Art of Rhetoric with LTW Level 1 and Tales of Wonder Vol. 1 & 2

• Audience: Grades 7-9

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and RhetoricTimeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$750.00/year

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Wednesday, 12-1:30PM PST

# **Lost Tools of Writing 2: Little Britches Books 3-5**

2025 - 2026

## **Taught by Suzanne Laskey**

LTW2: A writing and rhetoric class in search for truth: The Judicial Address.

• Audience: Grades 8-10

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: \$900.00/year

Course link

#### **Sections:**

Section A

Tuesday, 7-8AM, Thursday, 7-8AM PST

# **Taught by Debbie Sonnenfeld**

Introduction to Lost Tools of Writing using Children's Literature

• Audience: **Grades 6-8** 

Credits: 1.00 credit in Writing and Rhetoric
 Timeline: 2025-08-18 - 2026-05-08

• Price: **\$750.00/year** 

• Course link

# **Sections:**

Section A

Friday, 12-1:30PM PST