

## Latin 102

### Studia Rōmāna I: The Antonine Plague

In Chapter XI, you saw some glimpses of ancient Roman medical practices. You also learned a bit about Galen, the Greek-speaking Roman physician. Galen also happens to be one of our main sources for the Antonine plague, an epidemic which happened from approximately 160 to 185 CE. To learn more watch the following video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UKF3hT9UxbY>

After you have watched, write a short paper, in English, comparing and contrasting the Antonine plague with the current COVID-19 epidemic. Here are some things you might want to consider:

- spread of the diseases
- reactions of individuals
- treatments
- economic and other effects

Feel free to examine other sources; but if you do, please cite them.

**Your paper must be at least 300 words, but (please) no more than 500.**

**Your paper must also be typed, double spaced, and use a 12-point serif font.**

A good paper will:

- be clearly written
- present both similarities and differences
- be helpful in understanding
- and have a strong concluding statement

Due on Monday, February 14 at the beginning of class.