

SYLLABUS 2010

ITL201 Intermediate Italian I
Mon-Wed 13:30 – 15:20

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AIMS OF THE COURSE

Study of more advanced forms of Italian grammar aimed to give the student the ability to move from familiar material to more complex constructions. First-hand exposure to Italian culture. All students should be able to speak the language with sufficient structural accuracy and vocabulary to satisfy social and practical needs.

CLASS FORMAT

Study of grammar units, participation in grammar drills and conversation based on unit reading and on additional material provided by the instructor. Periodical oral reports on subjects chosen by the students. Vocabulary building and study of idiomatic expressions. Occasional site visits in town.

GRADING

Grading will be based on attendance, punctuality, outside assignments, class participation, oral reports, tests, Mid-term and Final Examination. Grading weights: class participation and attendance: 30%; oral reports: 30%; tests, Mid-term and Final Examination: 40%. More than two unexcused absences will lower the grade.
(Dates of exams can not be changed to adjust to students' individual needs).

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Mazzetti, Falcinelli, Servadio Qui Italia, lingua e grammatica, I° livello, Firenze, Le Monnier 2003.
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Additional photocopied material provided by the instructor.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Oral reports: assigned periodically

Test: **March 9**

Midterm: **April 4 or April 6 – to be announced**

Final: Week of **May 23 – May 26 – to be announced**

CLASS SCHEDULE

The following schedule is tentative and may be changed at the discretion of the instructor to reflect the class's rate of progress.

1st week		Review
2nd week	Unit 14	Relative pronouns, conversation and drills
3rd week	Unit 14 Test	Relative pronouns, conversation and drills
4th week	Unit 14	Use of ne and ci, conversation and drills
5th week	Unit 15	Preterit tense, conversation and drills
6th week	Unit 15 Midterm	Altered nouns, conversation and drills
7th week		Review
8th week	Unit 16	The subjunctive: present tense, conversation and drills
9th week	Unit 16	The subjunctive: present tense, conversation and drills
10th week	Unit 16	The subjunctive, past tense, conversation and drills
11th week	Unit 16	The subjunctive: past tense, conversation and drills
12th week		Review

Final exam – to be announced

MEMORANDUM

TO: Italian Language students

RE: Italian Language courses, addition to the syllabus

FROM: The Italian Language Department

Attendance to these courses is mandatory and more than two unexcused absences will lower the grade (excused absences will be accepted for serious medical reasons or serious emergencies) as follows: 3 unexcused absences, lowers one letter grade; 4 unexcused absences lowers two letter grades; 5 unexcused absences, lowers three letter grades.

More than **five unexcused absences** will result in failure of the course.

In order not to disrupt the class, punctuality is required. Students are expected to be in class at the beginning of the class hour; any delay exceeding ten minutes will be considered an absence.

During the academic year photocopies and other material will be distributed in class by the instructors. Students who have not been in class are responsible for getting the material from their classmates and making their own photocopies. All assigned homework should be completed prior to entering the class.

Use of the computer in class is restricted to oral presentations

The language spoken in class is Italian. No other activities such as eating, etc. are allowed.

Dates of exams can not be changed for individual needs. Students should take note of the dates and hours of the midterm and final exams and plan their trips after the last exam. It is important to tell friends and relatives about this so they do not surprise you by buying tickets for you for trips to be made before that date. Missing the midterm or the final exam will mean failure of the course.

Remember that during the PLP there are weekly exams every Friday from 10:00 – 12:00, students missing that exam will receive an F.

The completion during the PLP of one of the Italian Language courses ITL101 I, ITL102 I, ITL201 I or 301 I is prerequisite for admission to Italian classes in the Fall Semester. The completion of two of the Fall Semester Italian courses is prerequisite for admission to Italian classes in the Spring Semester.

Incompletes will be allowed only for serious emergencies and must be completed within two weeks.

Professors are available, by prior appointment, for short clarifications and explanations, during office hours.