



**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM - FIRENZE**

**SYLLABUS Fall Semester 2016-2017**

**ITL 302 Grammar  
Advanced Italian II**

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Class: Tues/Thur: 13:30 - 15:20**

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**AIMS OF THE COURSE/COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Study, clarification, assimilation of grammatic and syntactic structures of different complexity and of the related phraseology. Consolidation and expansion of the vocabulary. Development and consolidation of students' oral skills.

**CLASS FORMAT**

Study of linguistic structures with drills, exercises, oral practice. Study and application of idiomatic verbs and expressions through written and oral practice. Use and linguistic analysis of original sources: literature, essays, newspapers, movies. Written and oral exercises and practice for the consolidation of the vocabulary. Elaboration of essays and oral presentations and reports on assigned subjects and on subjects chosen by the students. Practice in speaking.

**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	Double object pronouns - Idiomatic verbs and expressions
2nd week	Imperative
3rd week	Imperative and pronouns - Idiomatic expressions - Test
4th week	Past historic
5th week	Past historic and past tenses syntax
6th week	Auxiliary verbs - Perfect/Imperfect
7th week	Future in the past Midterm Test
8 th week	Subjunctive: present tense - past tense
9th week	Subjunctive: the four tenses
10th week	Subjunctive and conditional: the conditional sentence Test

11th week	Hypothetical sentence
12th week	Review - Indirect speech with past tense verbs
13th week	Final Exam – date and time to be announced

**Examination schedule:**

oral reports: assigned periodically

Tests: **Nov. 17, Jan. 19**

Mid-term: **Dec. 22**

Final exam: **Feb. 6 - 9, exact date and time to be announced**

**GRADING**

Attendance and punctuality are a must, and they will weigh on the final grade, therefore more than two unexcused absences will lower the grade.

The other main points on which grading will be based are:

class participation; oral reports; outside assignments; tests; mid-term; final

**Grading weights:**

**35%** - class participation and attendance; oral reports.

**30%** - tests and mid-term.

**35%** - final examination.

A 100-94, A- 93-90, B+ 89-87, B 86-84, B- 83-80, C+ 79-77, C 76-74, C- 73-70, D+ 69-67, D 66-64, D- 63-60, F 59-0

The dates of the exams WILL NOT BE CHANGED to adjust to personal needs.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

Gloria Venturini, *Lezioni di Italiano*, Edizioni Medicea Firenze

Additional material to be photocopied at the center.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY**

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).

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 five 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, ITL 201 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.