



**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM - FIRENZE**

**SYLLABUS
Fall Semester 2017-2018**

**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. 21, Jan. 23.**

Mid-term: **Dec. 21**

Final exam: **Feb. 12 - 15, 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.

CSU ATTENDANCE POLICIES 2017-2018

General Attendance Policy 2017-2018 (for classes that meet twice a week)

Attendance to all CSU courses is mandatory. Two unexcused absences are allowed during the semester but more than two unexcused absences will lower your grade (excused absences will be accepted for serious medical reasons or emergencies) as follows: 3 unexcused absences, lowers one letter grade; 4 unexcused absences, lowers two letter grades; 5 unexcused absences, lowers 3 letter grades. More than five unexcused absences could 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.

Dates of mid-term and final exams can not be changed for individual travel plans or personal 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 inform friends and relatives about these exam dates so that no tickets are purchased for you that will interfere with these exam dates. Missing the midterm or the final exam could result in failure of the course.

During the academic year photocopies and other material may be distributed in class by the instructors. Students who were not in class are responsible for getting the material from their classmates and making their own photocopies.

Other class policies:

Use of the computer in class is restricted to oral presentations, unless previously approved by the professor.

Eating is NOT allowed in class.

Cellular phones must be turned off or placed on silent mode during class.