



SYLLABUS PLP 2018
September 3 - October 26

ITL 201I - Intensive Intermediate Italian
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Schedule

15 hours a week

Mon. - Thurs: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Fri: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Office hours: Mon and Tue from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Occasional visits in town for general orientation.

Aims of the Course

Intended for students who have taken two or three semesters of Italian

The objective of the course is to provide the students with the basic linguistic ability to cope in every day situations.

Practice will take place in all four basic skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing, with opportunities for self-expression in concrete situations (Bus, City, Market, Bar, Post office, Station,etc....)

Classroom Calendar (tentative)

September 2018

Week 1 (Sept 4 - Sept 7)

Chapters 1 and 2: Tues. - Thurs.

Friday morning: review for 1.5 hours, followed by General Meeting in aula magna at 10:30 am

Completion of Resident Permit Kits (permesso di soggiorno) with CSU staff and PLP faculty

Week 2 (Sept 10 - 14)

Chapters 2 and 3: Mon. - Thurs.

Thursday: review for 1 hour and **test 1**

Week 3 (Sept 17 – 21)

Chapters 3 and 4: Mon. -Thurs.

Thursday: review for 1 hour and **test 2**

Friday, Sept. 21 - NO CLASS TODAY due to CSU field trip **

Week 4 (Sept 24 - 28)

Chapters 3 and 4: Mon. - Thurs.

Thursday: review for 1 hour and **test 3**

Friday, Sept. 28: Meeting in aula magna at 9 am for Resident Permit Kit distribution.

Students to bring passports to meeting. Following meeting students to go with Italian teachers to Post Office for passport check and to turn in Kit.

October 2018**Week 5** (Oct 1 - 5)

Chapters 4, 5, 6: Mon. – Thurs.

Friday: review for 1 hour and **test 4**

Week 6 (Oct 8 - 12)

Chapters 6, 7, 8: Mon. - Thurs.

Friday morning: review for 1 hour and **test 5**

Week 7 (Oct 14 - 19)

Mon., Oct. 15: NO CLASS due to CSU field trip **

Chapters 7, 8, 9 and review: Tues. - Thurs.

Friday: Review and **test 6 (short pre-test)**

Week 8 (Oct 22 - 26) **Final exams week**

Mon.: Last day of class. Review for final exam.

Tues 23: Oral exams *

Wed 24: Oral exams*

Thurs 25: Oral exams*

Friday 26, morning: review and Final exam –written

*schedule for oral exams to be posted on bulletin board the week before exams begin

** field trip date is subject to change

Grading

Attendance (more than two unexcused absences will lower the grade – see **attendance policy** for details), punctuality, outside assignments and class participation 20%, weekly tests on Friday 40%, written and oral final exams 40%

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

October 23, 24, 25: oral exam

October 26, Friday: final written exam

Dates of exams cannot be changed to adjust to student's individual needs.

General basis for grading: 1- results of the exams and the final exam, 2- class participation;
3- attendance; 4- outside assignments.

Bibliography

Gloria Venturini, LEZIONI DI ITALIANO, livello principiante-intermedio, Edizioni Medicea 2012 (40 euro) and material provided by the instructor

ATTENDANCE POLICY PLP 2018

Attendance to CSU PLP courses is mandatory. Two unexcused absences are allowed during the course 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** (see **Grading – attendance counts for up to 20% of your final grade**).

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 in class.

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 weekly tests (40% of the grade) or the final exam (40% of the grade) could mean failure of the course.**

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

The completion during PLP of one of the Italian Language courses ITL 101 I, ITL102 I, ITL 201 I or ITL 301 I is a prerequisite for admission to Italian classes in the Fall Semester. The completion of two of the Fall Semester Italian courses is a 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 for short clarifications and explanations during office hours.