



**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM - FIRENZE**

SYLLABUS PLP 2016: August 29- October 21

ITL 201I - Intensive Intermediate Italian

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Schedule

15 hours a week

Mon. - Thurs: 1:00-4:00 pm

Fri: 9:00 am -12:00 pm

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, Train Station, etc....).

Classroom Calendar (tentative)

Week 1 - (Aug 29-Sept 2)

Chapter 1 and 2: Mon. - Thurs.

Friday morning: review

Week 2- (Sept 5-9)

Chapters 2 and 3: Mon. - Thurs.

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

Week 3 - (Sept 12-16)

Chapters 3 and 4: Mon. – Wed.

Thurs.: review for 1 hour and **test 2**.

Fri.: CSU Field Trip – no class today

Week 4 - (Sept 19-23)

Chapters 3 and 4: Mon. – Wed.

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

Friday: Meet in aula magna at 9 am (bring original passport)

Week 5- (Sept 26-30)

Chapter 4 and 5: Mon. - Thurs.

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

Week 6 - (Oct 3-7)

Chapters 6 and 7: Mon. - Thurs.

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

Week 7- (Oct 10-14)

Chapters 7 and 8 and review: Mon. - Wed.

Thurs.: review for 1 hour and **test 6**.

Friday: NO CLASS TODAY due to CSU field trip Milano/Torino

Week 8- (Oct 17-21) final exams week.

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

Tues: Oral exams *

Wed: Oral exams*

Thurs: Oral exams*

Friday morning: review and Final exam –written

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

Grading

Attendance (more than two unexcused absences will lower the grade), punctuality, outside assignments and class participation 20%, weekly tests on Thursday or 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 18, 19, 20: oral exam

October 21, Friday: 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

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 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.