



SYLLABUS PLP 2017
September 4 -- October 27

ITL 301I - Intensive Advanced Italian

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Schedule

15 hours a week

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

Fri: 9:00 am -12:00 pm

Office hours: Mon. and Tues. from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Aims of the Course - Intended for students with two years or more of Italian.

The objective of the course is to help students gain a command of Italian language sufficient to allow them to function efficiently on a daily basis in Italian society; i.e. to express themselves correctly in conversation, to comprehend films and newspapers and to gain an insight into Italian lifestyle and contemporary culture. The method adopted will be intense practice in the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Occasional visits in town.

Classroom Calendar (tentative)

Week 1- (Sept 4 - Sept 8) Mon – Thurs : Lezione preliminare.

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 11 - 15) Chapter 1: Mon. - Thurs.

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

Friday, Sept. 15 – CSU day trip: Certosa, Albergaccio, Machiavelli, USA War Memorial Cemetery

Week 3- (Sept 18 - 22) Chapter 2: Mon. - Thurs.

Friday morning: review for 1 hour and **test 2**

Week 4 - (Sept 25 - 29) Chapters 3 and 4: Mon. - Thurs.

Friday morning: review for 1 hour and **test 3**

Week 5 - (October 2 - 5) Chapters 4 and 5: Mon.-Thurs

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

Friday, Oct. 6 - Departure for CSU weekend field trip: Padova, Verona, Vicenza & Venezia **

Note: The field trip is Friday, Oct. 6 – Sun., Oct. 8

Week 6 - (Oct. 9 - 13) Chapter 7: Mon.-Thurs.

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

Week 7 - (Oct 16 – 20) Chapter 9: Mon.-Thurs.

Friday: review for 1 hour and **test 6**

Week 8 - (Oct 23 - 27) final exam week

Mon. 23: Last day of class. Review for final exam.

Tues. 24: Oral exams*

Wed. 25: Oral exams*

Thurs. 26: Oral exams*

Friday 27, morning: Final exam-written

*Schedule for 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 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.

Exams

October 24, 25, 26: oral exam

October 27, Friday: written exam

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

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

Bibliography

Gloria Venturini, LEZIONI DI ITALIANO, livello intermedio e avanzato, Edizione Medicea 2012 (40 euro) and material provided by instructor.

ATTENDANCE POLICY PLP 2017

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 the PLP of one of the Italian Language courses ITL101 I, ITL102 I, ITL201 I or 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.