



## **SYLLABUS Spring Semester 2018**

ITL 201 Intermediate Italian I  
Tue. 14:30 – 16:20  
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### **AIMS OF THE COURSE**

Study of more advanced forms of Italian grammar aimed to give the student the ability to move from familiar material to more complex constructions. First-hand exposure to Italian culture, including Fiction and film.

All students should be able to speak the language with sufficient structural accuracy and vocabulary to satisfy social and practical needs.

### **CLASS FORMAT**

Study of grammar units, participation in grammar drills and conversation based on unit reading and on additional material provided by the instructor. Periodical oral reports on subjects chosen by the students. Vocabulary building and study of idiomatic expressions. Students will be asked to give oral reports on subject of their own choice. In addition to regular exercises as homework, students will be asked to submit short written compositions to consolidate their writing skills. Homework will be either checked in class or completed at home.

Occasional site visits in town.

### **CLASS COSTS**

Up to two occasional visits might be arranged. These will be announced to students (in class or via email) as the course progresses, at least a week prior to the day of the visit. Estimated cost for these site visits: approximately 10 euros.

### **GRADING**

Grading will be based on attendance, punctuality, outside assignments, class participation, oral reports, tests, Mid-term and Final Examination.

Grading weights: class participation and attendance: 30%; oral reports: 30%; tests, Mid-term and Final Examination: 40%. More than two unexcused absences will lower the grade.

(Dates of exams can not be changed to adjust to students' individual needs).

### **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

La Bianca, M. 2013. *L'italiano all'università. Volume 2*. Edinlingua.  
Additional material provided by the instructor.

## 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.

Week(s)	Units	Topics
1 <sup>st</sup> week	Units 3 and 4	Review “condizionale passato”, “passato remoto” and “imperfetto”
2 <sup>nd</sup> week	Unit 5	Congiuntivo presente e passato
3 <sup>rd</sup> week	Unit 5 and 6	Congiuntivo Formal imperative (with and without pronouns), “Si” impersonale
4 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 6 and Unit 7	Combined pronouns (Unit 6) Congiuntivo imperfetto (Unit 7)
5 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 6 and Unit 7 +Test 1	<b>Test 1: Mar. 29</b> <b>Review for the test will cover material from the previous weeks</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 7	Congiuntivo vs. indicativo Congiuntivo e congiunzioni: “Sebbene”, “nonostante”, “benché”
7 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 8 (ctd.) and Review + Test 2	Congiuntivo e condizionale (“Vorrei che...”) Midterm Review <b>Test 2 Midterm: Apr. 19</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 8 and 9	Congiunzioni “prima che”, “anche se”
9 <sup>th</sup> week	Review	Listening and video activities Review and further practice NO CLASS on APRIL 30
10 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 10 +Test 3	Periodo ipotetico (I, II e III tipo) Review for test <b>Test 3: May 8</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> week	Unit 11 and Unit 12	Passive construction (Unit 11) Reported speech (Unit 12)
12 <sup>th</sup> week	Final review	Listening and video activities Role plays Review for Finals
13 <sup>th</sup> week		<b>Final Exams May 28-31</b> <b>Day and time to be announced</b>

### Examination schedule:

Oral reports: assigned periodically  
Tests: **Mar. 29, May 8**  
Mid-term: **Apr. 19**  
Final exam: **May 28-31**

## 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.