



SYLLABUS

ITL 301
Advanced Italian 1
Mon-Wed 14:00– 15:50
Spring Semester 2018

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Course description

Students will study grammar units, with drills and conversation on topics based on the grammar units and additional ones provided by the teacher.

Students will be asked to give oral reports on subjects of their own choice.

CSU GE category: C1, C2 or C elective

General Course Requirements

You are responsible for the weekly readings, the information given to you in class, on handouts **and via email**. Part of your grade will be determined by regular attendance, participation in class discussions and active engagement in all activities of this course. ***Make sure to check your email on a regular basis for updates and additional information.***

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Gloria Venturini, “Lezioni di italiano”, livello principiante-intermedio, Ed. Medicea

Learning objectives

The major purpose of the course is that of helping the students to build up a solid knowledge of some of the basic features of Italian Phonetics, Syntax and lexicon.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the semester students should be able to handle easily, both orally and in writing, in every day communication with Italians including vocabulary and knowledge of common idiomatic expressions.

Class Code of Conduct

Activities unrelated to the course (including private conversations, emailing, text messaging, reading, web surfing, etc.) are not permitted during class time. Please turn off or put all electronic devices on silent mode prior to the beginning of the class.

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.

1° week: review
Feb 25-27

2° week: review
Mar 4-6

3° week: review
Mar 11-13
Test 1: Mon 11

4° week: Units 17
Mar 18-20

5° week: Unit 17
Mar 25-27

6° week: Unit 17
Apr 1-3
Midterm: Wednesday 3

7° week: Unit 18 e
Midterm
Apr 8-10

8° week: Unit 18
Apr 15-17

**9° week: Unit 18
Apr 29**
(no class on May 1)

10° week: Unit 19
May 6-8
Wed 8: test 3

11° week: Unit 19
May 13-15

12° week: review
May 20-22

13° week:
May 27-29

Examination schedule:

Oral reports: assigned periodically

Exam 1: **March 11**

Exam 2 (Mid-term): **April 3**

Exam 3: **May 8**

Final exam: **May 27-29, 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.

The dates of the exams WILL NOT BE CHANGED to adjust to personal needs.

100-94	A
93-90	A-
89-88	B+
87-83	B
82-80	B-
79-77	C+
76-73	C
72-69	C-
68-67	D+
66-63	D
62-60	D-
59 and below	F

A Student performance has been outstanding and indicates an exceptional degree of academic achievement in meeting learning outcomes and course requirements

B Student performance has been at a high level and indicates solid academic achievement in meeting learning outcomes and course requirements

C Student performance has been adequate and indicates satisfactory academic achievement in meeting learning outcomes and course requirements

D Student performance has been less than adequate and indicates deficiencies in meeting the learning outcomes and/or course requirements

F Student performance has been unacceptable and indicates a failure to meet the learning outcomes and/or course requirements

The + and - symbols will be used for grading (except for A+). Specific information about the paper, exams and other projects will be given to you during the semester.

Academic Dishonesty Will Not Be Tolerated.

Any form of plagiarism or cheating may result in a failing final grade in the course and might be reported to IP and your campus. You are better off spending your time studying for the class. If you have questions about what constitutes academic dishonesty, please refer to the student handbook and catalog of your campus and also ask me and/ or the Resident Director for more information.

Attendance

CSU policy (include the CSU policy as it applies to your class: once a week, twice-a-week, architecture class, etc.)

Important: Exams

You must attend all exams and quizzes as scheduled. Make-up exams are given only for valid reasons. Please check your academic calendar **BEFORE** you book trips, flights and hotels.

Copyright and Privacy Laws

No portion of the texts, films, videos, and other material used in this course can be reproduced in any format including scanning, electronic downloading or sharing of files.

In addition, no portion of class lectures, discussions, and activities can be reproduced and used any format, including electronic, without the written consent of the instructor and/or guest speakers.

Changes- Important

Information contained in this syllabus, including the class calendar, other than that mandated by the University, may be subject to change with advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

ATTENDANCE POLICY FOLLOWS:

General Attendance Policy 2018-19 (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.

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.