

School of Arts & Sciences Prospectus – Fall 2024

Elementary Italian I

Course ID and 7-digit Number: ITAL 0120-301

Course Description

Italian 0120, or Elementary Italian Accelerated, is an intensive **two-credit course** covering the first and second semester of the elementary year for students who have never studied Italian before but have already fulfilled the language requirement in another modern language, preferably a romance language. Students who have fulfilled the language requirement in a language other than a romance language will be considered on an individual basis. The course is designed to help students develop functional ability in reading, writing, listening and speaking and gain familiarity with Italian culture. The primary emphasis of the course is on the development of the oral-aural skills, speaking and listening. Readings from authentic material on topics in Italian culture as well as frequent writing practice are also included.

All students must have departmental permission to register.

Prerequisites

- Proficiency in another language

Class Structure for Fall 2024

- Students will attend classes MW 1:45-2:45 pm & TR 1:45-3:15 pm
- Students will complete out-of-class assignments as indicated by the instructor (in Canvas and Blink Learning)
- Students' progress will be evaluated through a combination of low-stake and high-stake assessments (in-class tasks, compositions, forums discussions, written and oral exams, individual and collaborative presentations and projects)

Out-of-class Activities

- Daily Assignments (exercises in the workbook/Blink Learning, handouts, compositions, videos, research, mini presentations)
- Weekly Forum Discussion on Canvas
- Video/Voice recordings (Canvas, Panopto)

Outline of Assignments and Assessments

- Attendance, Participation, & Engagement 20%
- Italian in Context (in-class communicative tasks/presentations) 15%
- Homework 15%
- Compositions 15%
- Tests 15%
- Oral Exam 5%
- Final Project (*compito finale*) 15%

Essential Course Policies

- **Required textbook:** *New Italian Espresso: beginner and pre-intermediate (book + ebook)*. Alma Edizioni. **ISBN 9788861827240**; (chapters covered 1-15)
- **Required Workbook:** *New Italian Espresso: beginner and pre-intermediate – Updated Edition* (Workbook) – to be purchase [here](#)
- Access to Canvas

Any student may consult with [Student Financial Services](#) to find out what support they are eligible to receive to cover course costs or other items that ensure their health, safety, and secure learning environment.

Students needing accommodations of any kind should let the instructor know as soon as they are able.