

School of Arts & Sciences Prospectus – Fall 2024

Elementary Italian I

Course ID and 7-digit Number: ITAL 0340-301

Course Description

ITAL 0340, or Intermediate Italian Accelerated, is an accelerated course that combines in one semester Intermediate Italian I and II (ITAL 0300 and ITAL 0400). It will build on existing skills in Italian, increase confidence and ability to read, write, speak, and understand the language and culture, and introduce more refined lexical items, complex grammatical structures, and challenging cultural material. The course will allow learners to explore culturally relevant topics and to develop cross-cultural skills through the exploration of similarities and differences between Italian and other cultures. Students will work collaboratively with classmates and the instructor towards increased linguistic competence and a more complex understanding of Italian culture. Written and oral assignments will provide structured practice of linguistic forms, while also challenging and complementing creative skills.

All students must have departmental permission to register.

Prerequisites

- Completion of Italian 0120 at Penn or outstanding performance in Italian 0200
- Permission from the undergraduate chair of Italian is required

Class Structure for Fall 2022

- Students will attend classes MTWR 1:45-2:45 pm
- Students will complete out-of-class assignments as indicated by the instructor (Canvas)

Out-of-class Activities

- Forum Discussion on Canvas
- Weekly Video/Voice recordings (Canvas, Panopto)
- Collaborative work
- Daily assignments (handouts, compositions, videos, research, mini presentations)

Outline of Assignments and Assessments

- Attendance, Participation, and Engagement 15%
- Homework 15%
- Compositions 15%
- Presentations 10%
- Oral assessment 10%
- Exams 15%
- Final Project (*compito finale*) 20%

Essential Course Policies

- **No textbook is required**
- Course material provided by the instructor
- 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.