

School of Arts & Sciences - Fall 2023

Italian Conversation

Course ID and 6-digit Number: ITAL 0800-301

Course Description

ITAL 0800, or Italian Conversation, complements Italian language, literature, and culture classes offered by the Italian Studies Section. It mirrors and supports the goals of the Italian Studies Curriculum, while paying particular attention to oral expression, communication. Students will enrich their conversational fluency, and linguistic confidence, through focused and practical dialogue. Grammar components will be addressed, as needed, to supplement learning goals and outcomes. Ital 0800 is designed to foster a community of Italian speakers, both inside and outside the classroom, and inspire students to enroll in future Italian Studies courses at Penn.

Prerequisites

Low intermediate to advanced knowledge of oral Italian

Class Structure for Spring 2023

- In-Person Sessions Planned
- Students will attend classes R 5:15-7:15 pm
- Students will complete out-of-class assignments as indicated by the instructor

Out-of-class Activities may include

- Forum discussions on Canvas
- Video/Voice recordings
- Daily assignments (handouts, compositions, videos, research, brief presentations)

Outline of Assignments and Assessments

- Attendance and participation 50%
- Brief Compositions 10%
- Brief Oral Presentations 10%
- Final Project (*compito finale*) 30%

Essential Course Policies

- No textbook is required. Course materials (readings, PowerPoints, handouts, videos, and links) will be 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.