

ERASMUS+ Italian & Italian for business

For Teachers and Educational Staff using Italian as a Foreign Language

Course Ref: EP AI 6

Entry Level:

Minimum Level Italian CEFR B1

Language of tuition:

Italian

Daily Teaching Sessions

Italian Language+ Italian for Business

Morning: 4 x 45 minutes (3 hours)

Afternoon: 2 x 45 minutes (1,5 hours per day)

Total course contact hours:

1 week: 22,5 hours

2 weeks: 45 Hours

Optional extra language workshops available

Maximum class size 10

Course Provider:

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The Italian & Italian for Business course is intended for non-native Italian teachers who need to teach Italian through specific subjects (CLIL) or Italian for business.

Furthermore, this course is also useful for school educational staff who need to improve their knowledge of Italian for business in order to work better in projects, exchange programs, etc.

Objectives

- To develop and consolidate participants' language skills by enhancing competency in Italian language usage in a multi-national environment
- To provide participants with Italian language and communication skills for giving presentations
- To build up students' confidence and provide them with language resources to participate in business meetings
- To build up students' confidence in writing business reports and letters
- To enhance participants' competence in communicating and sharing of knowledge/experiences in Italian at conferences and training courses
- To enhance participants' understanding and their skills to take notes confidently
- To promote awareness of Italian culture and civilization
- To develop the participants' language skills to help them teach and communicate in Italian more efficiently and successfully

Preparation

Pre-course Preparative Modalities:

- Needs Analysis
- Pre-course arrival and cultural information
- Previous test for language level assessment

Practical Arrangements

Intra-Course Modalities offered by the Course Provider

- Learning materials included
- Setting of learning objectives
- Ongoing assessment and evaluation including feedback on progress
- Guidance and advice on homework exercises
- Accommodation service and pastoral care: 24hr emergency contact
- Optional additional cultural seminars
- City orientation tour and welcome activity
- Access to school study and media centre

Italian Language Course

Reading Skills

A variety of reading material (text book, newspaper articles, various authentic material) is used to encourage students to develop their reading skills.

Writing Skills

Regular writing activities will be scheduled to promote language acquisition. Writing activities may also be set for homework or in the afternoon classes.

Listening Skills

Listening skills will be practised using a variety of activities and different materials: textbook listening exercises, songs, authentic recording.

Speaking Skills

Speaking will be an integral part of lessons. Students are given the opportunity to express their ideas in a relaxed classroom atmosphere.

Grammar Awareness

Grammar for effective communication will be presented and practised at all levels.

Vocabulary

Various activities to encourage the acquisition of vocabulary will be scheduled.

Italian for Business Course

The afternoon classes will enhance participants' skills in speaking and writing. Lessons will focus on:

Reading Skills

A variety of business articles and case-studies is used to encourage students to develop their reading and understanding skills.

Writing Skills

Regular writing activities will be scheduled to promote language acquisition. Writing activities include: business emails, reports, minute, presentations, etc.

Listening Skills

Listening skills will be practised using a variety of activities and different materials: textbook listening exercises and authentic recording.

Speaking Skills

Speaking will be an integral part of lessons. Students will learn how to answer the phone/ make phone calls, give presentations, discussing ideas.

Follow up provided

Post-Course Modalities

- A Certificate of Attendance and Achievement
- End of course test and programme evaluation

Course Content and Strategies

The main approach adopted in the classes is communicative. This covers all aspects of the Italian language skills - speaking, listening, reading and writing as well as pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar activities. Class work includes individual, pair and group work, discussions, debates, roleplays, presentations, written tasks and listening exercises. Students are actively encouraged to share their own ideas and practicing the language in a friendly environment with other international students of varying backgrounds.

In morning classes, a new grammar topic is introduced to the class each week. Students will develop their linguistic and cultural skills of the Italian language through the teacher guidance. A progress test is scheduled on the last day of the week to assess the acquisition of the contents of the lessons. Students will attend additional language and cultural seminars in the afternoons.

The afternoon classes focus on Italian for business by developing the four language skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening. Italian skills and vocabulary are developed through exercises, case studies, role plays and articles on business topics.

Some activities (Salerno city tour and cultural seminars) are included.

Excursions and visits with tasting can be booked at extra cost.

Sample Programme

This is a sample of a schedule which can be adapted to suit the participants' needs.

Two-Week Course - Total minimum number of course contact hours: 45 hours.

First day 08.30-09.00: writing and oral testing 12:30-13:00: Welcome orientation					
WEEK 1	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five
09.00-11.00	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course
Coffee Break					
11.30-12.30	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course
Lunch Break					
13.30-15.00	Italian for Business	Italian for Business	Italian for Business	Italian for Business	Italian for Business
16:00	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)

Sat	CULTURAL TRIP: One Full Day Excursion included in Two-Week Course (extra cost for 1-wk course)
Sun	INFORMAL LEARNING: Personal research, cultural visits and activities, practising language skills

WEEK 2	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five
09.00-11.00	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course
Coffee Break					
11.30-12.30	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course	Italian Language Course
Lunch Break					
13.30-15.00	Italian for Business	Italian for Business	Italian for Business	Italian for Business	Italian for Business
16:00	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)	Activities (optional)

Outcomes

At the end of the course, participants will have:

- Enhanced their Italian language skills: reading, writing, listening, speaking.
- Developed a greater awareness of the Italian culture and civilization
- Improved confidence in using a foreign language in business field
- Developed a deeper knowledge of the Business Italian vocabulary
- Improved confidence in making and giving effective presentations
- Practiced teamwork activities thus enhancing their interpersonal skills
- Improved their knowledge of other European systems of education
- Enhanced knowledge of Erasmus+ potential for professional development