

ERASMUS+ Italian Language + Business Italian

For Teachers and Educational Staff using Italian as a Foreign Language

Course Ref: EPITR9

Entry Level:

Minimum Level Italian CEFR B1

Language of tuition:

Italian

Daily Teaching Sessions

Intensive Italian Language

Afternoon: 3 x 135 minutes
(11,25 hours)

Total course contact hours:
2 weeks: 22,30 Hours

Maximum class size 14

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This course is suitable for teachers who are non-native speakers of Italian as well as those who intend to teach Italian or a subject through Italian.

It is also appropriate for other school staff who need to develop their language skills to work on projects involving Italian language or any other programme related to Italian speaking contexts.

Objectives

This course caters for people who need to use Italian at work. The objective is to develop effective communication skills at work and in business, both spoken and written.

During the course, tailor-made to the specific needs of the participants, the grammar and vocabulary typical of commercial Italian – telephone conversations, company presentations, negotiations and sales, business meeting, formal letters, reports, emails and faxes – will be practiced and analysed.

Preparation

Pre-course Preparative Modalities:

- Needs Analysis
- Online language level assessment

Practical Arrangements

Intra-Course Modalities offered by the Course Provider

- Welcome Cocktail
- Course Tutor
- Authentic Learning Materials
- Ongoing Assessment
- Accommodation Service
- A wide range of city tours or cultural practical classes (e.g. cooking class, wine tasting, art seminars)
- Access to school cafeteria and media centre

Follow up provided

Post-Course Modalities

- A Certificate of Attendance and Achievement
- Europass Mobility
- End of course test and programme evaluation
- Post-course forum

Course Content and Strategies

The overall approach in our Italian language classes is communicative: the students are always stimulated by the different tasks to actively participate to the learning process. This covers all aspects of Italian language skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing.

Class work includes individual, pair and group work, debates, presentations, written tasks, authentic listening, outdoors classes. Cooperative learning is an important part

Intensive Italian Language Topics

Italian Language

Reading Skills...

Reading skills will be developed through reading strategies useful to learn how to get the gist meaning of a text without the interruption of lexical difficulties.

Writing Skills...

Writing skills will be developed more with homework. Students will not constantly use the dictionary in the classroom, giving more importance to communicative efficacy and let the formal accuracy get better with time and experience.

Listening skills...

Listening skills will be developed through a selection of authentic material. Moreover, students will acquire listening strategies in order to learn how to learn.

Speaking Skills...

Speaking skills will be developed through both analytical activities and non-guided oral production. One of the aim is to free the students from the fear of speaking.

Grammar Awareness...

Grammar awareness will be developed through research-discover strategies, constantly using authentic material. Students will always work on language in context, not on isolated sentences.

Vocabulary...

Vocabulary is a key element in learning a new language. The variety and authenticity of the material used in class will facilitate the constant acquisition of new vocabulary.

Italian for Business

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of Dilit's multicultural learning context: working together on a common task, students improve their knowledge of Italian language.

The strategies used in class aims to make students independent in the learning process: they use their interlanguage from day one in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Sample Programme

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

Total minimum number of 2-week course contact hours: 22,30 hours.

Two-Week Course

- Greater awareness and knowledge of Italian culture and history

First day 12.30 : welcome, oral testing, orientation and briefing before class begins					
WEEK 1	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five
13.30 ↓ 16.00	Business Italian	Business Italian	Business Italian	Business Italian	Business Italian

Sat	CULTURAL TRIP: One Half Day Excursion included in Two-Week Course (optional 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
13.30 ↓ 16.00	Business Italian	Business Italian	Business Italian	Business Italian	Business Italian

Exposure to different classroom methodological practices

- Greater awareness and knowledge of Italian culture and history
- Teamwork and cooperative learning
- Use of technology in the classroom
- Better understanding of students' needs and behaviour in class
- knowledge of Erasmus+ potential for professional development