

COURSE DETAIL

INTERMEDIATE ITALIAN

Country

Italy

Host Institution

UC Center, Florence

Program(s)

Italian in Florence

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Italian

UCEAP Course Number

14

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTERMEDIATE ITALIAN

UCEAP Transcript Title

INTERMEDIATE ITAL

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course is intended to develop the linguistic skills of students who have completed the first year of Italian. It reviews basic grammar structures with emphasis on exceptions; it enriches vocabulary, reading comprehension, and argumentative skills on different kinds of texts, improving comprehension and conversation through the discussion of contemporary issues proposed by the instructor. Students approach longer and more complex argumentative texts of which they are asked to identify the main points. They comment on articles or reports on contemporary issues in which authors express points of view and opinions. In oral tests and group discussions, students are asked to take a critical stance on given texts, debating pros and cons of different points of view. They also research various aspects of Italian daily life, interviewing Italian people and reporting back to the class. They can understand discussions on concrete and abstract topics and follow conversations between native speakers. All four abilities (writing, speaking, listening, reading) are developed, also with the support of authentic audiovisual materials such as Italian movies, short videos, tv programs, and songs. The course uses a communication-based approach: students engage in daily role-plays, group activities, games, and class discussions. Out of class activities are designed to take advantage of the opportunities for interaction and language practice, as well as immersion in Italian culture, that the city provides.

Language(s) of Instruction

Italian

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Host Institution Campus

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