



ITAL1100 Italian for beginners

[90h] 9 credits

Teacher(s): Laura Scarpa
Language: French
Level: First cycle

Main themes

Reading skills:

The student can read short, simple texts. He/she can find predictable information in simple everyday material such as advertisements, menus and timetables. He/she can understand short, simple personal letters as well as the description of simple events, feelings and wishes.

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Listening skills:

The student can understand phrases and the highest frequency vocabulary related to areas of most immediate personal relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment). He/she can catch the main points in short, clear, simple messages and announcements.

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Speaking skills:

Spoken production:

The student can use a series of phrases and sentences to describe in simple terms his family and other people, living conditions, his educational background and his present or most recent job. He/she can connect phrases in a simple way in order to describe experiences, events, dreams and plans. He/she can briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.

Spoken interaction:

The student can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar topics and activities. He/she can handle very short social exchanges on familiar or personal topics or pertinent to everyday life (family, hobbies, work, travel).

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Writing skills:

The student can fill in forms with personal details, for example entering his/her name, nationality and address on a hotel registration form. He/she can write short, simple notes and messages relating to matters in areas of immediate need. He/she can write a postcard or a very simple personal letter.

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Content and teaching methods

Code: ITAL 1100 - Italian for beginners

Rhythm: a 90-hour course taught for 3 hours a week during the whole year

Public:

the course is intended for all UCL students whose faculty program allows choosing it. The course is also accessible to all other UCL students outside their study program and to UCL staff members.

Credits (ECTS): the number of credits depends on the different faculty programs.

Requirements: No previous knowledge is required.

Objectives: to attain level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference.

Method and content:

- exercises on phonetics and listening comprehension in the language lab
- Grammar and vocabulary exercises
- reading comprehension activities
- Activities to develop spoken skills, both individual and interactive
- Simple activities to develop basic writing skills.

Assessment: Written and oral exam in May/June or September. Continuous assessment.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

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Duration: the whole year

Credits (ECTS): the number of credits depends on the different faculty programs.

Final Level: 1st cycle course - A2 Level of the Common European Framework of Reference.

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Language: Italian/French

The course is mainly based on the notional-functional method and aims to develop oral skills as well as basic writing skills.

Different activities are proposed: exercises on phonetics, basic vocabulary and grammar, simple writing activities and conversation, listening activities in the language lab, working in pairs or small groups etc.

Requirements:

No previous knowledge is required.

Workload:

In the class: 90 hrs

At home: +/- 100 hrs

Assessment:

- Written and oral exam at the end of the academic year (first session in May/June- second session in September)

- Continuous assessment based on the student's participation in class activities.

All students are asked to take their final exam.

"Non facultaires" students and university staff members can get a certificate of ILV-UCL which specifies they have attained the A2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference

Erasmus students leaving for Italy in the 2nd semester of the academic year will take their exam when they are back, following the usual academic calendar (first session in May/June, second session in September).

Didactic materials:

Course book + audiocassette

Course notes from the teacher.

For more details, please contact the teacher.

Other credits in programs

COMU11BA	Première année de bachelier en information et communication	(3 credits)
COMU22/J	Deuxième licence en information et communication (Journalisme)	
GC23	Troisième année du programme conduisant au grade d'ingénieur civil des constructions	(3 credits)
ISP21	Première licence en philosophie	(9 credits)
MAP22	Deuxième année du programme conduisant au grade d'ingénieur civil en mathématiques appliquées	(3 credits)