
Italian

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Offered by the Department of European Studies

Major in European studies, with emphasis in Italian.

See European Studies.

Major in international business, with emphasis in Italian.

See International Business.

Minor in Italian.

Italian Minor

The minor in Italian consists of a minimum of 15 units taught in Italian, nine units of which must be in upper division Italian courses. Any course taught in English needs department approval to apply to the minor requirements.

Courses in the minor may not be counted toward the major, but may be used to satisfy preparation for the major and general education requirements, if applicable. A minimum of six upper division units must be completed in residence at San Diego State University.

Students who minor in Italian are strongly encouraged to participate in the California State University International Programs (CSU-IP) and other approved study abroad programs in Italian-speaking countries.

Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments

Students selecting Italian as one of their departments in this major must complete Italian 301, all lower division competency requirements, and at least two upper division Italian courses.

Language Requirement for the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Students electing the study of Italian to fulfill the language requirement for the Bachelor of Arts degree in liberal arts and sciences must successfully complete Italian 201 or 211 or the equivalent level of achievement. The usual sequence of coursework is Italian 100A, 100B, and 201 or 211. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements" for additional ways to satisfy competency.

High School Equivalents

High school foreign language courses may be used for purposes of placement in college courses and may be counted toward meeting the language requirement in various majors. These high school courses will not count as college credit toward graduation.

Secondary school language courses can be used as follows:

1. The first **two years** of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first semester of a college level course, although students with fewer than three years of high school level language may complete the first semester college course for graduation credit.

2. The first **three years** of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first two college semesters, although students with fewer than four years of high school level language may complete the second semester college course for graduation credit. Students who have completed three years of foreign language in high school will not receive credit for the first semester college course unless at least five years separate the last high school course and the first college course.

3. **Four years** of high school level language count as the equivalent of three college semesters or five college quarters, thus fulfilling the language requirement.

Courses (ITAL)

Refer to Curricula and Courses and University Policies sections of this catalog for explanation of the course numbering system, unit or credit hour, prerequisites, and related information.

LOWER DIVISION COURSES

Native speakers of Italian will not receive credit for taking lower division courses in Italian except with advance approval from the department.

All lower division courses in Italian are taught in Italian.

No credit will be given for lower division courses taken after successfully completing any upper division Italian course taught in Italian.

No credit will be given when Italian 100A, 100B, 211, 212, and 301 are taken concurrently or out of sequence. Italian 201 may only be taken after completing Italian 100B, but may be taken concurrently with Italian 211 or 212.

ITAL 100A. Elementary Italian I (5) [GE]

Pronunciation, speaking and writing, readings on Italian culture and civilization, essentials of grammar. Not open to students who have completed three years of high school Italian unless the third course was completed five or more years ago.

ITAL 100B. Elementary Italian II (5) [GE]

Prerequisite: Italian 100A or two years of high school Italian.

Continuation of Italian 100A. Not open to students who have completed four years of high school Italian unless the fourth course was completed five or more years ago.

ITAL 201. Reading and Speaking Italian (3) [GE]

Prerequisite: Italian 100B or three years of high school Italian. Italian minors and international business majors are encouraged to enroll concurrently in Italian 212 when available. Recommended for students wanting to satisfy the language graduation requirement.

Emphasis on spoken language with readings of cultural material serving as a basis for discussion. Not open to students who have completed five years of high school Italian unless the fifth course was completed five or more years ago.

ITAL 211. Intermediate Italian I (4) [GE]

Four lectures and one hour of laboratory.

Prerequisite: Italian 100B or three years of high school Italian.

Comprehensive review of Italian grammar and practice of all language skills at intermediate level within context of Italian culture. Not open to students who have completed five years of high school Italian unless the fifth course was completed five or more years ago.

ITAL 212. Intermediate Italian II (4) [GE]

Four lectures and one hour of laboratory.

Prerequisite: Italian 211.

Continuation of Italian 211. Comprehensive review of Italian grammar and practice of all language skills at intermediate level within context of Italian culture. Italian minors and international business majors are encouraged to concurrently register in Italian 201.

ITAL 296. Topics in Italian Studies (1-4)

Prerequisite: Italian 100B or three years of high school Italian.
Topics in Italian language and culture. May be repeated with new content. See *Class Schedule* for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree. Taught in Italian.

**UPPER DIVISION COURSES
(Intended for Undergraduates)**

All upper division Italian courses are taught in Italian unless otherwise noted.

ITAL 301. Advanced Oral and Written Composition (3) [GE]

Prerequisites: Eleven units of 200-level Italian and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II. C., Humanities.

Grammar review. Reading of modern Italian prose, with written reports and oral discussions in Italian. Italian 301 is not open to students who hold the Italian secondary school diploma.

ITAL 305A. Italian Literature (3) [GE]

Prerequisites: Eleven units of 200-level Italian and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II. C., Humanities.

Important movements, authors and works in Italian literature from Middle Ages to the Renaissance.

ITAL 305B. Italian Literature (3) [GE]

Prerequisites: Eleven units of 200-level Italian and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II. C., Humanities.

Continuation of Italian 305A from the Renaissance to the present.

ITAL 421. Italian Civilization (3) [GE]

Prerequisites: Eleven units of 200-level Italian and completion of the General Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II. C., Humanities.

Major aspects of Italian civilization with emphasis on art, music, history, and cinema.

ITAL 422. Issues in Italian Studies (3)

Interdisciplinary approach to major themes and figures of Italian culture. Emphasis on social, literary, artistic, and political movements underlying development of contemporary Italy.

ITAL 424. Italian Cinema (3)

Two lectures and two hours of activity.

Prerequisite: Italian 212.

Development of Italian cinema. Previewing lectures enhance cultural comprehension. Post-viewing discussions stimulate ideas for written work and final projects. Lectures and discussions in Italian.

ITAL 426. Italian American Culture (3)

Prerequisite: Upper division standing.

Italian American experience of migration, identity formation, ethnic conflict, integration and assimilation, in a variety of genres and media, from literature to film, music and theatre, fiction and non-fiction. Taught in English.

ITAL 495. Internship (3)

Prerequisites: Upper division standing and consent of instructor.

Practical work experience in a field related to Italian studies. Work done under joint direction of activity sponsor and instructor. Approved international internships may count toward international experience requirement for certain majors.

ITAL 496. Selected Topics (1-4)

Topics in Italian language, literature, culture and linguistics. See *Class Schedule* for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree. Maximum credit eight units. Conducted in English or in Italian.

ITAL 499. Special Study (1-3)

Prerequisites: Italian 301 and 305A or 305B.

Individual study. Maximum credit six units. This course is intended only for students who are currently enrolled in or who already have credit for all upper division courses in Italian available in any given semester.

**UPPER DIVISION COURSE
(Also Acceptable for Advanced Degrees)**

ITAL 510. Italian and Italophone Cultural Studies (3)

Prerequisites: Italian 301 and 421.

Artistic, intellectual, literary, social and political trends in Italy and in diaspora. May be repeated with new title and content. Maximum credit six units.

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