



STUDY GUIDE

NATIONAL LANGUAGES ITALIAN FOR BEGINNERS

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University of Catania



1. IDENTIFYING DATA.	
• Course Name.	<i>National Languages: Italian for beginners</i>
• Coordinating University.	<i>University of Catania</i>
• Partner Universities Involved.	<i>N/A</i>
• Course Field(s).	<i>Modern Language</i>
• Related Study Programme.	<i>N/A</i>
• ISCED Code.	<i>0231</i>
• SDG.	https://sdgs.un.org/goals : 4, 17
• Study Level.	The course is available for students (B, M, D) of EUNICE universities

• Number of ECTS credits allocated.	<i>2 ECTS</i>
• Mode of Delivery.	<i>Online self-study. All assignments asynchronously on Moodle, except the first synchronous meeting.</i>
• Language of Instruction.	<i>English / Italian</i>
• Course Dates.	<i>October 7th / December 1st</i>
• Schedule of the course.	On 7 th September, students will attend a mandatory synchronous lecture; all assignments will be done asynchronously, but there will be 1 office hour every week (Mondays, from 3 to 4 CET) to meet teacher online.
• Key Words.	Survival Italian; basic Italian; hints of Italian culture
• Catchy Phrase.	<i>Studia con noi! Discover the Italian way of life</i>

• Prerequisites and co-requisites.	Basic knowledge of English. The course is available to all students (B,M,D) of the Alliance.
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• Number of EUNICE students that can attend the Course.	30
• Course inscription procedure(s).	Standard EUNICE procedure

2. CONTACT DETAILS.

• Department.	<i>Department of Humanities, University of Catania</i>
• Name of Lecturer.	<i>Daria Motta</i>
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• Other Lecturers.	

3. COURSE CONTENT.

During this course the student will learn the very basic words and phrases of Italian in different everyday situations:

- greetings
- numbers – telling the time, prices
- most common phrases connected to studying: library, lectures, exercises, seminars, official functions, socializing, life on campus
- everyday practical situations: shopping, food, going to a café/restaurant/bar, buying a train ticket, concert ticket, movie ticket online

They will also get information about Italian culture and society:

- How do we talk to people (formal vs. informal)?
- National idiosyncracies
- Basic information about Sicily, the University of Catania, the town and its environment.

4. LEARNING OUTCOMES.

The student will learn how Italian works as a language, how to understand simple texts and find information in them. The student will also get practice in listening comprehension and learn how to correctly pronounce Italian. Moreover, they will learn about the very basics about Italian society and culture.

5. OBJECTIVES.

Practice of receptive skills and strategies needed to manage everyday situations in Italian and motivation of students to deepen their skills in Italian. To convey an understanding of culturally significant factors.

6. COURSE ORGANISATION.

UNITS

1. *Modules on Moodle.*

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LEARNING RESOURCES AND TOOLS.

Self-study course on Moodle; office study with dialogues and direct interaction.

PLANNED LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND TEACHING METHODS.

Moodle lectures and assignments.

Inductive exploration of Italian grammar and lexicon. Self-reflective approach.

7. ASSESSMENT METHODS, CRITERIA AND PERIOD.

The course will be available all in once, but we require to do one unit per week. The assignments need to be passed with the minimum of 50% of the score.

OBSERVATIONS.

8. BIBLIOGRAPHY AND TEACHING MATERIALS.

All material needed will be available on Moodle.