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Facets of Italy

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Department of International Studies

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Notice

As part of [Phase 3 of our return to campus plan](#), most units will now run tutorials, seminars and other small group learning activities on campus for the second half-year, while keeping an online version available for those students unable to return or those who choose to continue their studies online.

To check the availability of face-to-face and online activities for your unit, please go to [timetable viewer](#). To check detailed information on unit assessments visit your unit's iLearn space or consult your unit convenor.

General Information

Unit convenor and teaching staff

Unit co-ordinator and tutor

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See iLearn page

Credit points

10

Prerequisites

ITAL1210 or (ITL210 or ITAL2010)

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit investigates the topic of national identity in Italy. A variety of written and audio-visual materials provide students with an overview of core values and key historical events that have shaped modern Italy, such as the unification, Italy's role in WWII and the 'economic miracle', and the turmoils that led to what is commonly considered the end of the First Republic and the beginning of the New Republic under the Berlusconi government. Other aspects to be investigated include geography, historical eras, market forces, business, latest developments and the European Community.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Develop independent and analytical judgment.

ULO2: Demonstrate a refined awareness of oral and written communication skills in both Italian and in English.

ULO3: Demonstrate interpersonal communication skills in Italian and English through effective project management.

ULO4: Demonstrate ability to research, access, and prioritize information relevant to the construction of national identity in Italy.

ULO5: Identify, describe and evaluate many aspects of Italian culture and society.

General Assessment Information

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Indicative examples of assessment tasks will be available on iLearn.

Marking criteria. Rubrics for both the oral presentation and written assignments can be found in the iLearn page.

External students must send answers to the weekly questions to the unit coordinator BEFORE the end of the on-campus class. These constitute part of their participation mark.

Indicative examples of assessment tasks will be available on iLearn.

Late Assessment Penalty

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – two (2) marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted more than seven (7) days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
<u>Written Assignments</u>	30%	No	Week 4 & 8
<u>Seminar participation</u>	10%	No	On-going
<u>Online quizzes</u>	15%	No	Week 6 & 10
<u>Oral Presentation</u>	25%	No	Week 12
<u>Final Test</u>	20%	No	Week 13

Written Assignments

Assessment Type ¹: LOTE written composition

Indicative Time on Task ²: 20 hours

Due: **Week 4 & 8**

Weighting: **30%**

Written tasks, in Italian, covering a selection of topics covered in class.

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- Develop independent and analytical judgment.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of oral and written communication skills in both Italian and in English.
- Identify, describe and evaluate many aspects of Italian culture and society.

Seminar participation

Assessment Type ¹: Participatory task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 26 hours

Due: **On-going**

Weighting: **10%**

Each week has a number of prescribed readings and associated questions. Students are expected to review and discuss their answers, together in class/online.

On successful completion you will be able to:

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- Demonstrate a refined awareness of oral and written communication skills in both Italian and in English.
- Demonstrate interpersonal communication skills in Italian and English through effective project management.
- Demonstrate ability to research, access, and prioritize information relevant to the construction of national identity in Italy.

Online quizzes

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 10 hours

Due: **Week 6 & 10**

Weighting: **15%**

Online quizzes covering a selection of topics covering prescribed weekly readings in class and material discussed in class.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop independent and analytical judgment.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of oral and written communication skills in both Italian and in English.
- Demonstrate ability to research, access, and prioritize information relevant to the construction of national identity in Italy.

Oral Presentation

Assessment Type ¹: Media presentation

Indicative Time on Task ²: 10 hours

Due: **Week 12**

Weighting: **25%**

A 10-15 minutes presentation, in Italian, covering one aspect of material covered in class (choosing from a list). Presenter should not read and should use appropriate media aids (such as Powerpoint).

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop independent and analytical judgment.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of oral and written communication skills in both Italian and in English.
- Demonstrate ability to research, access, and prioritize information relevant to the construction of national identity in Italy.

Final Test

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 2 hours

Due: **Week 13**

Weighting: **20%**

A final written test, in Italian, covering selected topics addressed during the unit and submitted through TurnItIn.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop independent and analytical judgment.
- Demonstrate a refined awareness of oral and written communication skills in both Italian and in English.
- Demonstrate ability to research, access, and prioritize information relevant to the construction of national identity in Italy.

¹ If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- the [Writing Centre](#) for academic skills support.

² Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment

task and is subject to individual variation

Delivery and Resources

Required and recommended texts

There is no prescribed textbook for this unit. Reading material will be available on iLearn.

Online Unit Login is via: [https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/Is my unit in iLearn?](https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/Is_my_unit_in_iLearn?):

https://unitguides.mq.edu.au/ilearn_unit_status/to check when your online unit will become available. Technology Students are required to have regular access to a computer and the internet. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient. For students attending classes on campus we strongly encourage that you bring along your own laptop computer, ready to work with activities in your online unit. The preferred operating system is Windows 10. Students are required to access the online unit in iLearn by the end of Week 1 and follow any relevant instructions and links for downloads that may be required. Please contact your course convenor before the end of Week 1 if you do not have a suitable laptop (or tablet) for in-class use. For central technical support go to: http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/ . For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to: <https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/tools-and-resources/ilearn/ilearn-quick-guides-for-students>

Unit Schedule

	Topic	Task
Week 1	Introduzione	
Week 2	Geografia	
Week 3	Storia – I primi passi fino ai Romani	
Week 4	Storia - Rinascimento	Assignment 1
Week 5	Storia - Risorgimento	
Week 6	Storia - Unificazione	Quiz 1
Week 7	Le Guerre Mondiali e Mussolini	
Week 8	Il miracolo economico	Assignment 2
Week 9	Gli anni di piombo, brigate rosse, terrorismo	
Week 10	La seconda repubblica	Quiz 2
Week 11	Stili di vita	

Week 12	Presentazione orale	Presentazione orale
Week 13	Test finale	Test finale

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note:** *The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway \(https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway\)](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct>

Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.