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I Italian Studies 1

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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 activities on campus, and most will keep an online version available to those students unable to return or those who choose to continue their studies online.

To check the availability of face-to-face 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

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit is for beginners or near-beginners in Italian, and presupposes no prior knowledge of the language. The unit provides a systematic study of the basic grammar and idioms of standard Italian. It has an essentially practical aim directed at functional language usage, and oral and written expression.

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 elementary level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Italian language.

ULO2: Identify, describe and evaluate a few aspects of Italian-speaking cultures and societies.

ULO3: Identify, evaluate and deploy the grammatical structures of Italian at elementary level.

ULO4: Apply relevant language conventions to create meaningful intercultural encounters.

ULO5: Demonstrate an awareness of some language and language use in both Italian and English.

General Assessment Information

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>Online Quizzes</u>	20%	No	Week 4 - 21/3; W6 - 4/4; W8 - 2/5; W10 - 12/5; W12 - 26/5
<u>Written Tests</u>	20%	No	W7 - 25/4 & W10 - 16/5
<u>Oral Presentation</u>	15%	No	W13 - 2/6
<u>Final Test</u>	35%	No	W13 - 6/6
<u>Weekly Preparation and Participation</u>	10%	No	Weekly

Online Quizzes

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 15 hours

Due: **Week 4 - 21/3; W6 - 4/4; W8 - 2/5; W10 - 12/5; W12 - 26/5**

Weighting: **20%**

Online assessment covering individual book chapters. These exercises are based on the workbook material accompanying the text book.

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language.

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- Apply relevant language conventions to create meaningful intercultural encounters.

Written Tests

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 15 hours

Due: **W7 - 25/4 & W10 - 16/5**

Weighting: **20%**

These written tests cover the material present in the books chapter studied up to that point.

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Oral Presentation

Assessment Type ¹: Simulation/role play

Indicative Time on Task ²: 8 hours

Due: **W13 - 2/6**

Weighting: **15%**

Students are required to prepare and perform a role play in Italian.

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Final Test

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 0 hours

Due: **W13 - 6/6**

Weighting: **35%**

The final test covers all material studied in the unit.

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- Demonstrate an awareness of some language and language use in both Italian and English.

Weekly Preparation and Participation

Assessment Type ¹: Participatory task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 0 hours

Due: **Weekly**

Weighting: **10%**

Weekly activities to check and confirm active engagement with course material.

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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

The textbook set for this unit is *Prego! An Invitation to Italian*, 8th Edition by Graziana Lazzarino et. al., New York, 2011.

The prescribed text is essential for this unit. It comes shrink-wrapped with the Workbook (but can also be bought in an electronic version. Students are encouraged to purchase a middle size dictionary for this unit. Students intending to continue further with Italian, should consider purchasing a bigger dictionary.

TECHNOLOGY USED AND REQUIRED

Online Unit

Login is via: <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. If applicable, students are required to download the relevant language package prior to Week 2.

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

Week 1	Class 1	Introductory Ch., pp. 3-11	Introductions	
	Class 2	Introductory Ch., pp. 11-17	Greetings, Numbers, Days of the week	

Week 2	Class 1	Ch.1. pp. 20-26	Sing. & plural nouns	
	Class 2	Ch.1. pp. 27-32	Indefinite articles; <i>buono</i>	Trial Quiz (see below)
Week 3	Class 1	Ch.1. pp. 33-34	<i>Avere</i> - Idiom. expressions with <i>avere</i>	
	Class 2	Ch.1. pp. 34-40	Revision	
Week 4	Class 1	Ch.2. pp. 41-47	Adjectives	
	Class 2	Ch.2. pp. 47-50	<i>Essere</i> –	Quiz 1
Week 5	Class 1	Ch.2. pp. 51-55	Definite article	
	Class 2	Ch.2. pp. 56-60	Revision	
Week 6	Class 1	Ch.3. pp. 61-68	-are verbs	
	Class 2	Ch.3. pp. 68-71	<i>Dare, stare, fare ...</i>	Quiz 2
Week 7	Class 1	Ch.3. pp. 72-75	School System - Possessive adjectives	
	Class 2	Ch.3. pp. 75-82	<i>Questo & Quello</i> – Revision	Test/Assignment 1
Week 8	Class 1	Ch.4. pp. 83-89	-ere & -ire verbs	
	Class 2	Ch.4. pp. 81-84	<i>Dovere, volere, potere...</i>	Quiz 3
Week 9	Class 1	Ch.4. pp. 93-98	Direct object pronouns – Time	
	Class 2	Ch.4. pp. 98-105	Revision	
Week 10	Class 1	Ch.5. pp. 106-113	Articulated prepositions	Quiz 4
	Class 2	Ch.5. pp. 113-117	<i>Passato prossimo</i> with <i>avere</i>	Test/ Assignment 2
Week 11	Class 1	Ch.5. pp. 118-120	<i>Passato prossimo</i> with <i>essere</i>	
	Class 2	Ch.5. pp. 121-122	<i>Conoscere, sapere...</i>	
Week 12	Class 1	Ch.6. pp. 128-135	Indirect object pronouns	Quiz 5
	Class 2	Ch.6. pp. 135-138	<i>Pron.</i> agreement with <i>p. pross.</i>	
Week 13	Class 1	Ch 5. pp. 123-127	Revision	Oral presentations

Class 2	Final Test
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Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://policies.mq.edu.au\)](https://policies.mq.edu.au). 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](#)

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

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit [Policy Central \(https://policies.mq.edu.au\)](https://policies.mq.edu.au) and use the [search tool](#).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/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.