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C Italian Studies 3

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General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

HSC Italian Continuers band 4 and above or Italian Extension band E3 and above

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit is intended for students who have completed one year of Italian, for students who have completed Italian studies at HSC level, and for students who have equivalent knowledge of the language. It is designed to develop skills in all areas of Italian language (reading, writing, listening and speaking) to a higher level of proficiency. Students learn to discuss a wider range of topics as well as substantially increase their knowledge of vocabulary as well as increasing students' skills in intercultural communication so that they will be able to communicate in a manner which is culturally as well as linguistically appropriate.

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

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

ULO3: Identify, evaluate and deploy the grammatical structures of Italian at intermediate

level.

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

ULO5: Demonstrate a refined awareness of language and language use, in both Italian and in English.

General Assessment Information

Late submission policy.

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – 10 marks out of 100 credit will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted seven days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests, etc.

To be very clear:

- Unless you have applied for special consideration and had your application approved, for each day your assignment is late, 10 marks will be deducted. For example, if you submit your assignment 7 days late, 70 marks will be deducted, which means you will fail that assignment.
- If your assignment is more than 7 days late (including weekends), you will get 0 marks for your assignment.

These are serious penalties that will substantially alter your final grade and even determine whether you pass or fail this unit. Please make every effort to submit your assignment by the due date.

If you find you cannot submit your assignment on time, please apply for Special Consideration through AskMQ. Make sure you read Macquarie University's policy regarding Special Consideration requests before you apply: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/assessment-exams/special-consideration>

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Weekly Preparation and Participation	10%	No	weekly
Written Assignments	20%	No	23:59 on 13/03/2022, 01/05/2022 & 22/05-2022
Oral Video Presentation	10%	No	23:59 on 05/06/2022

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Online Quizzes	20%	No	23:59 on 20/03/2022, 10/04/2022 & 15/05/2022
Final Test	30%	No	23:59 on 05/06/2022
Listening Comprehension	10%	No	23:59 on 05/06/2022

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. This includes online forum discussions.

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Written Assignments

Assessment Type ¹: LOTE written composition

Indicative Time on Task ²: 15 hours

Due: **23:59 on 13/03/2022, 01/05/2022 & 22/05-2022**

Weighting: **20%**

Written tasks in Italian. Grammar exercises, comprehension questions and original compositions are included.

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Oral Video Presentation

Assessment Type ¹: Media presentation

Indicative Time on Task ²: 8 hours

Due: **23:59 on 05/06/2022**

Weighting: **10%**

Students are required to prepare and perform a role play in Italian and record it on a video file.

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Online Quizzes

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 15 hours

Due: **23:59 on 20/03/2022, 10/04/2022 & 15/05/2022**

Weighting: **20%**

Online assessment covering individual book chapters and revision work.

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Final Test

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 0 hours

Due: **23:59 on 05/06/2022**

Weighting: **30%**

Final test covering all material studied in first semester.

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Listening Comprehension

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 0 hours

Due: **23:59 on 05/06/2022**

Weighting: **10%**

Students will listen to an audio recording and then answer a series of comprehension questions.

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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 Texts

The prescribed texts are available from the Macquarie University Co-op bookshop.

- Bali, M. & G. Rizzo (2014) *Nuovo Espresso 2. Corso di italiano. Libro dello studente ed esercizi*. Florence: Alma (**Note:** external students must also order the Espresso listening cd)
- Germano, Joseph E. & Schmitt, Conrad J. (2014), *Schaum's Outline of Italian Grammar*, McGraw-Hill Education

Electronic versions of the texts are acceptable.

We will also be watching a recent Italian movie to further enhance your language skills; this year it is *Nove lune e mezza*, directed by Michela Andreozzi (2017). This can be easily found on the internet.

Recommended references

- **Monolingual dictionary:** **Zingarelli**, Vocabolario della lingua italiana (copies in the library and Italian/French/Greek workroom)
- **Bilingual dictionary:** **Collins** English-Italian, **Italian-English** dictionary (copies in the library and Italian/French/Greek workroom)

The *Espresso* answer keys are in the back of the book.

Note: The tasks set from *Schaum's Outline of Italian Grammar* may not always correspond exactly to the grammar learned in *Espresso*. The tasks from *Schaum's Outline of Italian Grammar* are intended to extend your understanding and usage of grammar.

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

	Libro di testo: <i>Espresso</i> 2	Libro di testo: <i>Schaum's outlines</i>	Homework	Assessment	Film <i>La tigre e la neve</i> + Notes
Wk 1	Ripasso generale	The pronunciation, of Italian Cap 1, pp. 1-14	Note: Spend this week revising <i>PREGO!</i> Focus on vocabulary and grammatical rules.		Intro al film
Wk 2	1. In giro per i negozi pp 5-13 Imperativi Pronomi tonici Piacere I comparativi	Imperatives Cap 6, pp.173-178 Pronouns Cap 9, pp. 205-216	<i>Espresso</i> 2 pp. 160-162		Film viewing (part 1)
Wk 3	1. In giro per i negozi pp 13-20 Imperativi Pronomi tonici Piacere I comparativi	Reflexive verbs Pronouns Cap 9, pp. 216-232	<i>Espresso</i> 2 pp. 163-164	Written assignment 1: Check on iLearn	Film viewing (part 2)
Wk 4	2. Quando ero piccola... pp 21-27 imperfetto Vs Passato prossimo	Present Perfect Cap 6, pp. 138-151	<i>Espresso</i> 2 pp. 166-168	Online quiz 1	Reviewing and study of a film section
Wk 5	2. Quando ero piccola... pp 28-36 imperfetto Vs Passato prossimo	Present Perfect Cap 6, pp. 138-151 + p. 152	<i>Espresso</i> 2 pp. 169-173		Reviewing and study of a film section
Wk 6	Revision – Writing workshop				Reviewing and study of a film section
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break

Wk 7	<p>3. Un tipo interessante p 37-43</p> <p>il comparativo, il condizionale presente</p>	<p>Comparatives and superlatives</p> <p>Cap 4, pp59-68</p> <p>The conditional</p> <p>Cap 6, p.153</p>	<p><i>Espresso 2</i> pp. 174-176</p>	<p>Online quiz 2</p>	<p>Reviewing and study of a film section</p>
Wk 8	<p>3. Un tipo interessante p 44-52</p> <p>il comparativo, il condizionale presente</p>	<p>Ripasso e attivazione</p>	<p><i>Espresso 2</i> pp. 177-180</p>	<p>Written assignment 2:Check on iLearn</p>	<p>Reviewing and study of a film section</p>
Wk 9	<p>4. Ti va di venire? p 53-59 <i>stare</i> + gerundio, pronomi diretti + passato prossimo</p>	<p>Gerund</p> <p>Cap 6, pp.178-186</p>	<p><i>Espresso 2</i> pp. 180-183</p>		<p>Reviewing and study of a film section</p>
Wk 10	<p>4. Ti va di venire? pp 60-66</p> <p>I pronomi relativi <i>che</i> e <i>cui</i></p>	<p>Pronouns Cap 9, pp.232-235</p>	<p><i>Espresso 2</i> pp. 184-186</p>	<p>Online quiz 3</p>	<p>Reviewing and study of a film section</p>
Wk 11	<p>5. Buon viaggio! pp 67-72</p> <p>Volere, sapere e conoscere al passato</p>	<p>Special Uses of Verbs</p> <p>Cap 11, pp. 257-265</p>	<p><i>Espresso 2</i> pp. 187-190</p>	<p>Written assignment 3:</p>	<p>Reviewing and study of a film section</p>
Wk 12	<p>5. Buon viaggio! pp 73-79</p> <p>passato prossimo e imperfetto (II), <i>nessuno</i>, <i>volerci</i></p>	<p>Rivedere Cap 6, pp. 148-150</p>	<p><i>Espresso 2</i> pp. 191-195</p>		<p>Reviewing and study of a film section</p>
Wk 13	<p>Revisione</p> <p>Prova d'ascolto</p> <p>Visione Video Studenti</p>				

Academic Integrity

At Macquarie, we believe [academic integrity](#) – honesty, respect, trust, responsibility, fairness and courage – is at the core of learning, teaching and research. We recognise that meeting the expectations required to complete your assessments can be challenging. So, we offer you a range of resources and services to help you reach your potential, including free [online writing and maths support](#), [academic skills development](#) and [wellbeing consultations](#).

Student Support

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The Writing Centre

[The Writing Centre](#) provides resources to develop your English language proficiency, academic writing, and communication skills.

- [Workshops](#)
- [Chat with a WriteWISE peer writing leader](#)
- [Access StudyWISE](#)
- [Upload an assignment to Studiosity](#)
- [Complete the 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

Macquarie University offers a range of [Student Support Services](#) including:

- [IT Support](#)
- [Accessibility and disability support](#) with study
- Mental health [support](#)
- [Safety support](#) to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- [Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues](#)

Student Enquiries

Got a question? Ask us via [AskMQ](#), or contact [Service Connect](#).

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.

Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)

The unit aims at fostering language skills to level B1, described as follows in the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR): Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. Can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. Can produce simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest. Can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.