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General Information

Unit convenor and teaching staff

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

ITAL3010 or ITL310

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

In this unit students develop their ability to follow complex lines of argument in spoken and written texts in Italian in a range of genres and to identify and extract key information. The unit focuses on practicing skills in expressing and defending sophisticated arguments and opinions and employing strategies to understand and respond to unfamiliar material in preparation for applying language knowledge to social and professional situations. Students will use their judgement in decision-making around communicative tasks (written, oral, spontaneous and prepared) in meaningful everyday contexts.

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

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

ULO3: Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Italian at advanced level.

ULO4: Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.

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

General Assessment Information

Written tasks	Written tasks in Italian. Grammar exercises, comprehension questions and original compositions are included.	20%	No	Examination	week 5; week 8; week 11.	15 hours	Individual	No	Observed
Oral test	The oral assessment will be a conversation in Italian between the student and the tutor. The assessment will be based on topics covered during the course.	30%	No	Examination	week 11	15 hours	Individual	No	Observed
Tests	Tests covering all material studied in unit.	50%	No	Examination	Quizzes: week 3; week 7; week 12. Final test: week 12	20 hours	Individual	No	Observed
Total:		100%							

General Assessment Information

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Credit points 10

Prerequisites ITAL2020 or ITL211

Corequisites Co-badged status

Unit description

In this unit students proceed to a deeper understanding of the structure of the Italian language and develop skills in all areas of the Italian language (reading, writing, listening and speaking) to an advanced level of proficiency. Students learn to discuss a wider range of topics as well as substantially increase their knowledge of vocabulary. Emphasis is placed on contemporary standard Italian in the widest possible context and students will develop an awareness of regional variations of the language and the use of dialects. Much attention is given to the active use of the language.

This unit also focuses on further 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. Interactive seminar activities based on the use of authentic Italian language

materials, provide students with opportunities to use Italian as much as possible.

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Learning Outcomes

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

ULO1: Develop advanced level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Italian language.

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

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

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

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

General Assessment Information

Late Assessment Submission Penalty

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, a 5% penalty (of the total possible mark) will be applied each day a written assessment is not submitted, up until the 7th day (including weekends). After the 7th day, a mark of '0' (zero) will be awarded even if the assessment is submitted. Submission time for all written assessments is set at 11.55pm. A 1-hour grace period is provided to students who experience a technical issue. This late penalty will apply to written reports and recordings only. Late submission of time sensitive tasks (such as tests/exams, performance assessments/presentations, scheduled practical assessments/labs will be addressed by the unit convenor in a Special consideration application.

Assessment At A Glance

Assessment Name	Weight	Submission method	Due Date	Return Date	Learning Outcomes
3 graded written assignments (Compito con voto)	20%	Tool - Turnitin	Week 5; week 8; week 11. On a Sunday night	One Week after submission, before Tuesday class	1,2,3,5
3 online/in-class quizzes	20%	online	Week 3; week 7; week 12; opens after Thursday class; closes on Sunday night	Week 6, 9, 12, before Tuesday class	1,2,3,5

Oral Test	30%	In class and on Zoom Conversation Tutor-student	Week 11, during Thursday class; and on Zoom by appointment for external students.	Before Tuesday class, week 12	1,2,3,4,5
Final Test	30%	In-class	Week 12, on Thursday, during class time.	Before the end of Semester	1,2,3,4,5

NOTE: All assessment times and other times in this unit are based on current time in Sydney, Australia. See [here](#) if not.

Written tasks Assessment

Type 1: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task 2: 15 hours

Due: week 5; week 7; week 11. On Sunday night

Weighting: 20%

Individual: Yes

Short extension 3: Yes

AI Approach: Ethical AI

Written tasks in Italian.

Grammar exercises, comprehension questions and original compositions are included. On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop comprehensive advanced level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Italian language.
- Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Italian-speaking cultures and societies.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Italian at advanced level.
- Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.

Tests Assessment Type 1: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task 2: 20 hours

Due: week 3; week 7; week 12. On a Sunday night

Weighting: 50%

Individual: Yes

Short extension 3: Yes

AI Approach: Ethical AI

Tests covering all material studied in unit. On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop comprehensive advanced level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Italian language.
- Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Italian-speaking cultures and societies.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Italian at advanced level.
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Oral test Assessment

Type 1: Viva/oral examination

Indicative Time on Task 2: 15 hours

Due: week 11, during Thursday class

Weighting: 30%

Individual: Yes

Short extension 3:

No AI Approach

The oral assessment will be a conversation in Italian between the student and the tutor. The assessment will be based on topics covered during the course. Sample questions will be available to students before the test. On successful completion you will be able to:

- Develop comprehensive advanced level skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Italian language.
- Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Italian-speaking cultures and societies.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Italian at advanced level.
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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

• **Academic Success for academic skills support.** Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation. An automatic short extension is available for some assessments. Apply through the Service Connect Portal.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due	Groupwork/Individual	Short Extension	AI Approach
Written tasks	20%	No	week 5; week 8; week 11	Individual	No	Observed
Oral test	30%	No	week 11	Individual	No	Observed
Tests	50%	No	Quizzes: week 3; week 7; week 12. Final test: week 12	Individual	No	Observed

Written tasks

Assessment Type ¹: Examination

Indicative Time on Task ²: 15 hours

Due: **week 5; week 8; week 11**

Weighting: **20%**

Groupwork/Individual: Individual

Short extension ³: No

AI Approach: Observed

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

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- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Italian at advanced level.
- Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.

Oral test

Assessment Type ¹: Examination

Indicative Time on Task ²: 15 hours

Due: **week 11**

Weighting: **30%**

Groupwork/Individual: Individual

Short extension ³: No

AI Approach: Observed

The oral assessment will be a conversation in Italian between the student and the tutor. The assessment will be based on topics covered during the course.

On successful completion you will be able to:

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- Identify, describe and evaluate a broad range of aspects of Italian-speaking cultures and societies.
- Identify, evaluate and deploy a broad range of grammatical structures of Italian at advanced level.
- Create meaningful intercultural encounters by applying relevant language conventions.

Tests

Assessment Type ¹: Examination

Indicative Time on Task ²: 20 hours

Due: **Quizzes: week 3; week 7; week 12. Final test: week 122**

Weighting: **50%**

Groupwork/Individual: Individual

Short extension ³: No

AI Approach: Observed

Tests covering all material studied in unit.

On successful completion you will be able to:

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- Demonstrate a sophisticated awareness of language and language use, in both Italian and in English.

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- Academic Success 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.

³ An automatic short extension is available for some assessments. Apply through the [Service Connect Portal](#).

Delivery and Resources

Required texts: Bali, M. & L. Ziglio Nuovo Espresso 3. Corso di italiano. Libro dello studente ed esercizi & CD Florence: Alma edizioni, 2015. ISBN 978-88-6182-339-6 •

Education 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>

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](#)
- [Assessment Procedure](#)
- [Complaints Resolution 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 connect.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

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

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

Academic Success

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

- [Ask a Study Coach](#)
- [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 Advocacy](#) provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

Student Enquiries

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

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit <https://students.mq.edu.au/support/technology/service-desk>.

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.

Unit information based on version 2026.01R of the [Handbook](#)