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General Information

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Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

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

Reading: understand short, simple texts on familiar matters of a concrete type which consist of high frequency everyday or job-related language; understand short, simple texts containing the highest frequency vocabulary, including a proportion of shared international vocabulary items.

Listening: understand enough to be able to meet needs of a concrete type provided

speech is clearly and slowly articulated; understand phrases and expressions related to areas of most immediate priority (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment) provided speech is clearly and slowly articulated; identify the main point of TV news items reporting events, accidents etc. where the visual supports the commentary; follow changes of topic of factual TV news items, and form an idea of the main content.

Writing: write short, simple formulaic notes relating to matters in areas of immediate need; write a series of simple phrases and sentences linked with simple connectors like “and”, “but” and “because”.

Spoken Interaction: interact with reasonable ease in structured situations and short conversations, provided the other person helps if necessary; manage simple, routine exchanges without undue effort; ask and answer questions and exchange ideas and information on familiar topics in predictable everyday situations; communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar matters to do with work and free time; handle very short social exchanges but is rarely able to understand enough to keep conversation going on his/her own accord.

Spoken Production: give a simple presentation of people, living or working conditions, daily routines, likes/dislikes etc. as a short series of simple phrases and sentences linked into a list.

General Assessment Information

Ongoing assessment: It is the responsibility of students to check dates and deadlines.

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>Oral Presentation/Project(s)</u>	15%	No	TBA
<u>Quizzes</u>	20%	No	TBA

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<u>2 Tests</u>	20%	No	TBA
<u>Class Participation</u>	5%	No	Ongoing
<u>Final Test</u>	35%	No	TBA
<u>Language study orientation</u>	5%	No	Week 2

Oral Presentation/Project(s)

Due: **TBA**

Weighting: **15%**

Students are required to form small groups (2 or 3 people) and present to the rest of the class a 5 minutes practical situation. Scenarios will be provided in due time. **Reading is NOT allowed; students reading will be heavily penalised.** External students unable to find a suitable partner can provide a monologue instead, or pretend to take more than one part; this can be sent using the recording facility (such as Wimba) present in iLearn.

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Quizes

Due: **TBA**

Weighting: **20%**

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

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2 Tests

Due: **TBA**

Weighting: **20%**

These two in-class written tests cover the material present in the books chapter studied up to that point. They assess the student capabilities reached thus far.

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Class Participation

Due: **Ongoing**

Weighting: **5%**

The effort and willingness to participate in class activities and pre-tutorial preparation are noted.

Participation in on-line discussions/forum is also noted.

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Final Test

Due: **TBA**

Weighting: **35%**

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Language study orientation

Due: **Week 2**

Weighting: **5%**

Prepares students for university language study and the online environment. Pass/Fail.

This is the '**Start Here**' module you will find in the top section of your unit homepage. It **MUST** be completed by week 2.

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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 shrinkwrapped with the Workbook and Lab Manual. Students are encouraged to purchase a middle size dictionary for this unit. Students intending to continue, 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?: <http://help.ilearn.mq.edu.au/unitsonline/> 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

ITL102 – Weekly Lecture Schedule

This is the expected class schedule for session one; however always check the web page for changes/updates.

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>	
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> –	
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>	
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	
Week 8	Class 1	Ch.4. pp. 83-89	-ere & -ire verbs	
	Class 2	Ch.4. pp. 81-84	<i>Dovere, volere, potere...</i>	
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	
	Class 2	Ch.5. pp. 113-117	<i>Passato prossimo</i> with <i>avere</i>	
Week 1 1	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 1 2	Class 1	Ch.6. pp. 128-135	Indirect object pronouns	
	Class 2	Ch.6. pp. 135-138	<i>Pron.</i> agreement with <i>p. pross.</i>	
Week 1 3	Class 1	Ch 5. pp. 123-127	Revision and Oral Presentations	
	Class 2		Final Test	

Please Note: this schedule is indicative only and class can vary slightly. Always refer to iLearn for update, specially for all assignments and/or test due dates.

External student will be submitting all their assignments electronically through iLearn. Text-based work submitted by students for assessment will be subject to **plagiarism detection software**, such as **Turnitin** or similar approved software, unless otherwise approved.

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.*)

Undergraduate 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 shown in *iLearn*, 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.

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 improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Workshops](#)

- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module for Students](#)
- [Ask a Learning Adviser](#)

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

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.

Graduate Capabilities

Creative and Innovative

Our graduates will also be capable of creative thinking and of creating knowledge. They will be imaginative and open to experience and capable of innovation at work and in the community. We want them to be engaged in applying their critical, creative thinking.

This graduate capability is supported by:

Learning outcome

- Writing: write short, simple formulaic notes relating to matters in areas of immediate need; write a series of simple phrases and sentences linked with simple connectors like “and”, “but” and “because”.

Assessment tasks

- Quizzes
- 2 Tests
- Class Participation
- Final Test

Capable of Professional and Personal Judgement and Initiative

We want our graduates to have emotional intelligence and sound interpersonal skills and to demonstrate discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgement. They will exercise initiative as needed. They will be capable of risk assessment, and be able to

handle ambiguity and complexity, enabling them to be adaptable in diverse and changing environments.

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Assessment tasks

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- Class Participation

Commitment to Continuous Learning

Our graduates will have enquiring minds and a literate curiosity which will lead them to pursue knowledge for its own sake. They will continue to pursue learning in their careers and as they participate in the world. They will be capable of reflecting on their experiences and relationships with others and the environment, learning from them, and growing - personally, professionally and socially.

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Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

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Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

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Problem Solving and Research Capability

Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

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Effective Communication

We want to develop in our students the ability to communicate and convey their views in forms effective with different audiences. We want our graduates to take with them the capability to read, listen, question, gather and evaluate information resources in a variety of formats, assess, write clearly, speak effectively, and to use visual communication and communication technologies as appropriate.

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Engaged and Ethical Local and Global citizens

As local citizens our graduates will be aware of indigenous perspectives and of the nation's historical context. They will be engaged with the challenges of contemporary society and with knowledge and ideas. We want our graduates to have respect for diversity, to be open-minded, sensitive to others and inclusive, and to be open to other cultures and perspectives: they should have a level of cultural literacy. Our graduates should be aware of disadvantage and social justice, and be willing to participate to help create a wiser and better society.

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Socially and Environmentally Active and Responsible

We want our graduates to be aware of and have respect for self and others; to be able to work with others as a leader and a team player; to have a sense of connectedness with others and country; and to have a sense of mutual obligation. Our graduates should be informed and active participants in moving society towards sustainability.

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Learning outcomes

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Additional information

Unit requirements and expectations

The on-campus unit consists of four contact hours per week. Students are expected to attend classes regularly and are encouraged to participate actively. Students who miss classes without a valid reason may not be allowed to sit for the final examination.

Language learning is sequential so students are expected to prepare well BEFORE each class. Students experiencing any problem in understanding any item/concept are strongly encouraged (if not expected) to contact their lecturer/tutor or course convenor.

Students are also expected to keep up-to-date by logging into ILearn regularly; here students will find information on deadlines, announcements, assignments, lecture notes, discussions and supplementary material/exercises as well as **all latest announcements**. ILearn has proved to be an excellent resource; it provides an environment where students can easily share their experiences, through the bulletin board, hence making the learning experience easier. The on-line facilities will be updated and monitored regularly. Students will be able to send messages and emails to each other but can also contact directly the course convenor for any query or to **report inappropriate comments/behaviours by other users**.

The assessment is ongoing for both internal and external students. **ALL assignments are to be completed on ILearn.**

Internal students will produce a small oral presentation at the end of semester. External students will record their presentation (using *Wimba* on ILearn).

Mobile phones. As a matter of courtesy mobile phones must be switched off or on silent.

Attendance at all classes is compulsory for on-campus students. Students absent due to illness or other valid reasons should notify the relevant staff member or Department Administrator,, phone: +61 2 9850 7005. Repeated unexplained absences will result in the exclusion from the course.

Assignments are compulsory and must be handed in at the time specified. Assignments handed in late (without valid reason) will not be accepted. Repeated failure to hand in assignments will result in loss of a percentage of your final assessment mark and/or exclusion from the final examination.

Preparation: Students are expected to prepare the course work to be covered in class in advance, as set out in programs or announced in class.

Punctuality: Please arrive on time for classes. Arriving late is very disruptive. All classes start five minutes past the hour. If you should arrive late, it is your responsibility to find out what you have missed.

Examination Period: Students enrolled in units that require them to sit for compulsory examinations (to be held during business hours) during the official examination period must **not arrange to go away before the end of the exam period**. Exams could be scheduled for Saturdays during that period. Do not expect that alternative examination arrangements can be made for you. The only exceptions to this are:

- a) members of the armed forces who must go away on duty;
- b) students representing Australia or the University in a national or international sporting or cultural event;
- c) students proceeding to a period of study in a foreign country, associated with their Macquarie program of study.