Accelerated Beginning Italian

Italiano 105

Up to the challenge?

**Have you previously taken Italian?** If you have any background in Italian or another language this might be for you. Schedule a placement test!

**Are you interested in minoring/majoring?** If you are already thinking about it, this might be for you. Schedule an appointment & placement test!

Two For One: **Intensive!** 2 courses in 1 (literally!)

Benvenuti e Buon divertimento!

What's it like? Accelerated!

**Language:** Don't need to begin from "a-b-c"? Do you have discipline? This is fast-paced but rewards you with 3 extra univ. credits upon successful completion. As in other courses, you will apply what you studied, in class to reading short texts, writing in Italian and speaking in Italian. Participation is expected in Italian at all times!

**Culture:** Did you know Italian culture is all around you? You'll see the influences and also learn similarities and differences and many new things about Italy and all things Italian!

**Critical thinking and analytical skills:** Have you heard of "Six degrees of separation"? That means what you learn in here applies to your other courses ... directly and indirectly.

Course Description

The principal goal of this course is the development of your Italian language skills through integrated use of topics in culture, grammar and vocabulary. This is an intensive-accelerated language course held entirely in Italian, including grammar explanations, assignments and exam directions. By reading and viewing authentic texts you will complement the language instruction to accelerate you learning of Italian in all its aspects; you will also be able to make comparisons at the basic level with your own culture. You will write different kinds of texts in Italian, including in the electronic format. The general focus of the lessons will be to practice the topics and grammatical points presented in the textbook. The implicit goal of this course is to give you the tools to communicate in Italian at the basic level and to understand different kinds of audio, video and written texts that you will naturally be exposed to during travel or study in Italy.

**Textbook:** *Sentieri vText with Supersite and Websam code* (looseleaf textbook and online workbook) ed. VistaHigherlearning (available at the bookstores or at a discount directly from the publisher at www.vhldirect.com)

Note: if you purchase in advance, do not write or activate the code until it's confirmed you are in fact in the appropriate level during the first week of class

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