



Università
per Stranieri
di Perugia

AMBASCIATRICE DELL'ITALIA NEL MONDO

ITAL 220S

Intermediate Italian Language, Conversation & Culture II

Course name at Università per Stranieri: A2.2 - Level A2(CEFR)

Credits: 6

Contact Hours at Università per Stranieri: 84

Contact Hours at the Umbra Institute: 8

Co-curricular cultural activities: 20

Prerequisites: Two+ semesters of college-level Italian or Placement Test

Università per Stranieri Faculty: TBD

Umbra Faculty Mentor: TBD

Course Type: Course taught entirely in Italian

Course Description

This is a 4-week Intermediate Italian course offered as part of the Summer Intensive Italian Language & Culture Program. Students with two semesters of college Italian language instruction and some heritage speakers might test into the second module of the A2 intermediate level (based on the Common European Framework for Languages – CEFR) and receive a total of 6 credits for their studies in Italian language, culture, and conversation. Traditional in-class language instruction conducted at the *Università per Stranieri* is supplemented by a rich series of cultural co-curricular activities by faculty at the Umbra Institute. Students will be enrolled at the prestigious *Università per Stranieri di Perugia* and study alongside international students representing over 100 countries. The in-class language instruction conducted at the *Università per Stranieri* is supplemented by tutorials and workshops at the Umbra Institute and a rich series of cultural co-curricular activities by Umbra faculty at the Umbra Institute.

The program teaches Italian (vocabulary and grammar) through student life experiences in Italy and around the world: free time, personal tastes and interests, hobbies, daily life, social life, relationships, shopping habits, eating preferences, describing oneself and others, talking about one's past, talking about current events. This course places a special focus on teaching the basics about Italy (its culture, its cities, and its territory), Italian traditions and habits, as well as regional Italian cuisine.

Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

After completing this level, students will be able to communicate at a simple operational level in everyday situations. They will be able to: describe themselves and their surroundings, hold informal conversations about the weather, shopping, the cinema, holidays and talk about routines and processes. The communicative purpose at this stage is to extend vocabulary and expressions, construct simple sentences and begin to elaborate with more details, giving simple reasons and opinions. During the course, students will notice that they begin to understand short explanations, announcements and items of news relating to everyday life and basic professional communications in the target language with more ease and they will become more confident writing short texts and Emails providing concrete information or making simple requests verbally and in writing.

Weekly course structure

Language Class (at UniStrPG):	14 hours
Skills Development Lab (at UniStrPG):	5 hours
Pronunciation & Spelling (at UniStrPG):	2 hours
Tutorial & Workshops (at the Umbra Institute):	2 hours
Co-Curricular Activities (Outside of Classroom)	3+ hours (varies by week)

Activities at the Umbra Institute

In addition to their private and group tutoring sessions, students enrolled in the Summer Intensive Italian Language & Culture Program will have access to a vast series of cultural activities designed to improve their language speaking skills in a natural environment while introducing them to practices of daily life and the cultural offerings of Central Italy. These activities include the following:

- Traditional welcome dinner;
- Tandem nights with Italian university students;
- Day-Trip to Tuscany
- “Serate in cucina”- cooking with faculty members or local experts;
- Trips to local festivals (e.g., typical Central Italian “sagre”, Perugia 1416, Umbria Jazz);
- Guided tours of Perugia and other Umbrian towns;
- Visit to local winery with tastings;
- Live Concert performances
- Farewell Festa

A final co-curricular activities series schedule will be provided during orientation.

Main Grammatical Structures Covered in this Level

FUNZIONI	STRUTTURE	LESSICO
Chiedere di raccontare e raccontare brevemente momenti ed esperienze della vita quotidiana	Espressioni di tempo Passato prossimo di alcuni verbi irregolari e dei verbi riflessivi	Lessico relativo a esperienze e attività recenti
Esprimere <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sentimenti - emozioni - interesse - sorpresa - soddisfazione - gradimento / non gradimento 	Alcune esclamazioni Passato prossimo del verbo piacere	Lessico relativo alle emozioni, stati d'animo
Esprimere opinioni in modo semplice, accordo, disaccordo, necessità	Ripresa dei verbi modali <i>per me / secondo me</i>	Lessico relativo a opinioni personali
Chiedere e dare <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - indicazioni - divieti - istruzioni - informazioni in contesti diversi (stazione, ufficio postale, albergo, ristorante, per strada, al telefono) Chiedere e dare il permesso	Imperativo negativo Infinito per dare istruzioni	Lessico relativo alle indicazioni stradali Lessico relativo a un viaggio, strutture ricettive, uffici pubblici
Fare una richiesta in un luogo pubblico (ristorante, bar, albergo)	Pronomi diretti con il presente indicativo	Lessico relativo a cibi, bevande Lessico relativo a interazioni sociali in luoghi pubblici
Chiedere e dare informazioni relative ad acquisti e oggetti	Pronomi diretti con i verbi modali al presente indicativo <i>Ne</i> partitivo	Lessico relativo ad attività commerciali, acquisti, oggetti