

COURSE SYLLABUS: FOREIGN LANGUAGE

I. BASIC INFORMATION

Course name: Italian - CEF A2

Language of instruction: English/Italian

Course coordinator/Person responsible: mgr Agnieszka Białowolska

Type of classes	Number of hours	Semester	ECTS credits
Foreign language classes	120	I-IV	2 credits for 30 hours 1 credit for an exam

Prerequisites:

No prerequisites/interest in learning Italian

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES:

The aim of the course is:

1. to develop all language skills (reading, listening, speaking and writing) at A2 level;
2. to develop communication skills in typical everyday situations;
3. to introduce basic vocabulary and grammatical structures to communicate in everyday situations;
4. to provide tools for further development of language skills, also in the academic context.

III. COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages:

SKILLS:

Learning outcomes according to main language skills: listening, reading, speaking, and writing

LISTENING

U_01. identifies phrases and the highest frequency vocabulary related to areas of most immediate personal relevance (place of living, family, work, education, leisure time, health etc) when the speaker speaks slowly and clearly;

U_02. understands the main points in short, simple messages and announcements when the speaker speaks slowly and clearly;

READING

U_01. understands the main message of simple texts related to areas of most immediate personal relevance;

U_02. finds necessary information in simple everyday material, such as advertisements, timetables, or prospectuses;

SPEAKING

U_01. communicates in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange on familiar and routine matters;

U_02. uses a series of phrases and sentences to describe in simple terms their family and other people, living conditions, educational background, work etc;

WRITING

U_01. writes short and simple texts and messages related to typical everyday situations; writes very short letters using expressions related to areas of most important personal relevance;

IV. COURSE DESCRIPTION/COURSE CONTENT:

Grammatical and lexical material as required at the A2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, basic vocabulary connected with a given field of study.

Grammar material:

- Alphabet, pronunciation, spelling (*Alfabeto, pronuncia, grafia*)
- Nouns (*Nomi*)
- Articles (*Articoli: determinativi, indeterminativi, partitivi*)
- Prepositions (*Preposizioni: semplici, articolate; proprie, improprie*)

- Adjectives (*Aggettivi*)
- Numerals (*Numeri: cardinali, ordinari*)
- Pronouns (*Pronomi: possessivi, dimostrativi, dimostrativi, indefiniti; interrogativi; personali soggetto, pronomi diretti e indiretti*)
- Pronominals: *ci* and *ne*
- Infinitives (*Forme impersonali*)
- Tenses: *Indicativo presente, passato prossimo, imperfetto*
- Imperatives (*Imperativo*)
- Reflexive forms (*Forma riflessiva*)
- Time, reason, and conditional clauses (*Preposizioni temporali /quando/, causali /perché/, periodo ipotetico /I/*)

Vocabulary related to:

1. Man and his surroundings
2. Food and drinks, customs connected with drinking coffee
3. Travelling and holidays
4. Getting around a city
5. Everyday activities, and leisure time
6. Home
7. Family
8. Clothes and fashion
9. Shopping
10. Education and studying in Italy
11. Occupations, looking for a job
12. Customs, traditions, and stereotypes
13. Geography and history of Italy, and problems of contemporary Italy
14. Selected vocabulary connected with the field of study

V. TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS:

Symbol of an outcome	Teaching methods	Assessment methods	Archiving methods
Listening U_01 U_02	language exercises brainstorming think-pair-share language games audio-visual method	written test observation speaking task during the class recorded speaking task oral test	corrected written test oral exam evaluation form audio or video recording of a speaking task project feedback form
Reading U_01 U_02	language exercises text analysis think-pair-share	written task project work self-assessment journal	reviewed self-assessment journal corrected exam paper
Speaking U_01 U_02 U_03	discussion role-plays language games think-pair-share		
Writing U_01	multimedia presentations project method self-assessment journal		

VI. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA/WEIGHTS:

The final grade reflects the Student's regular and timely work throughout the semester and is based on:

- Written tests (at least two per semester)
- Oral test
- Written assignments
- Class participation

The final grade is a weighted average of the grades obtained throughout the semester. Detailed information on the weight of each component is provided by the Instructor during the first class.

Grading criteria:

50 - 69 % - satisfactory (3)

70 - 77 % - satisfactory plus (3+)

78 - 84 % - good (4)

85 - 89 % - good plus (4+)

90 - 100 % - very good (5)

VII. STUDENT WORKLOAD

Type of student workload	Number of hours
Contact hours	120 hours
Self study	min. 150 hours

VIII. READING LIST:

1. E. Turra, *Azione! (A1-B2), Imparare l'italiano con video*, Loescher Editore 2017.
2. Wieczorek, *Włoski nie gryzie*, Edgard.
3. Jagowska, M. Ghirardi, *Włoski aktywnie! Trening na 200 sposobów*, Edgard.
4. *Oneworlditaliano, Corso di Italiano* – Lezioni di italiano con Veronica:
5. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUnnVNzaf0I&list=PLY27cJTUBR0tGFLrLcR9VDKfNyNwFnY7B>
6. Lezioni di italiano con Lucrezia Oddone: <https://www.youtube.com/lucreziaoddone>
7. S. Nocchi, *Nuova grammatica pratica della lingua italiana*, Alma Edizioni 2011.
8. Pons English-Italian/ Italian-English dictionary
9. Materials prepared by the Teacher