

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

ITALIANPROGRAMME ITAL 316 ITALIAN LANGUAGE 3B 20 POINTS

TRIMESTER 2 2016

Key dates

Trimester dates: 11 July to 13 November 2016 **Teaching dates:** 11 July to 16 October 2016

Mid-trimester break: 22 August to 4 September 2016

Last assessment item due: 16 October Study period: 17 - 20 October 2016

Withdrawal dates: Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds. If you cannot

complete an assignment or sit a test or examination, refer to

www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats.

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Marco Sonzogni is the Course Coordinators and Lecturers for ITAL 316. He will also teach the tutorials. Staff is available for student consultation at times indicated on the doors of their offices.

Class times and locations

Lectures

Mondays and Wednesdays 11.00am – 11.50am in VZ (von Zedlitz) 515

Tutorials and Audio-visual Classes

Please note that tutorials start in the **second** week of the trimester. Students must choose one tutorial class and one audio-visual class using the myAllocator system: https://student-sa.victoria.ac.nZ

Detailed instructions are available on Blackboard. Students must remain in their allotted groups.

Communication of additional information

The Italian noticeboard is in the corridor between rooms vZ613 and vZ615. Additional information or information on changes will be conveyed to students either via class, noticeboards, Blackboard, or email.

Prescription

This course builds on the knowledge acquired in ITAL 315, with greater emphasis on translation skills and the use of a variety of linguistic registers.

Course content

Aims of the course:

- (a) to develop the skills of reading, writing, oral comprehension and speaking of standard Italian to an advanced level;
- (b) to provide training in translation from Italian into English of texts covering a variety of subject matters and registers;
- (c) to present, through the choice of material for study, insights into various aspects of contemporary Italian society and culture.

Course learning objectives (CLOs)

ITAL 316 is a one trimester 20-point practical course for students who want to attain advanced language skills in the Italian language. The course learning objectives of ITAL 316 are broadly in line with levels C1-lower C2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, which allows for international recognition of language qualifications. According to the CEFR, a student at a C1 level can:

- understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognise implicit meaning.
- express ideas fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions.
- use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes.

 produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.

Upon completing the course successfully students will be able to:

- 1. read and comprehend a wide variety of authentic Italian texts;
- 2. have a grasp of current affairs and be able to read Italian newspapers with a good degree of linguistic and contextual comprehension;
- 3. write with an increased degree of grammatical accuracy and a wide range of standard vocabulary;
- 4. comprehend standard Italian spoken at normal to fast speed;
- 5. speak on a variety of topics confidently, fluently and with good pronunciation;
- 6. translate from Italian into English with a good level of accuracy and speed.

Teaching format

This course is delivered through two lectures, one tutorial and one audio-visual class per week. The lectures will mainly cover grammatical aspects of the Italian language and the development of written skills, such as written comprehension, translation of texts, and development of advanced written expression in general. The tutorials will focus on the development of oral linguistic skills and the audio-visual classes will aim to develop listening comprehension skills. Both the tutorials and the audio-visual classes will require students' active participation in group exercises or activities.

Mandatory course requirements (MCRs)

In addition to achieving an overall pass mark of 50% students must (unless a specific exemption has been agreed with the course coordinator):

- (i) attend a minimum of 8 of the 10 tutorial/AV classes;
- (ii) submit a credible attempt at the two written assignments;
- (iii) complete the two written tests on the dates indicated;
- (iv) complete the two AV tests at the appointed times;
- (v) deliver an oral presentation at the appointed time.

These course requirements are related to the course learning objectives and are intended to help students achieve such learning objectives in an effective way.

Any student who is concerned that they have been (or might be) unable to meet any of the MCRs because of exceptional personal circumstances, should contact the course coordinator as soon as possible.

Workload

The University Assessment Handbook has laid down guidelines as to the number of hours per week which students are expected to devote to a course in order to maintain satisfactory progress. In order to maintain satisfactory progress in this **20 point 200 hour course**, students should expect to work on average <u>16 hours</u> per week including contact hours - i.e., in the case of ITAL 316, **13 hours of private study outside class time**. Some students will find they need to do more than this, especially if they are aiming to achieve high grades. A possible distribution of this time each week would be:

In class time: 2 hours (weeks 1 and week 12); 4 hours (weeks 2-11)

Outside class time:

Reading and reviewing class notes 30% (about 3 hours)
Written, oral and aural practice 30% (about 3 hours)
Assessment preparation 40% (about 4 hours)

Assessment

Assessment for ITAL 316 is by in-term assessment, as follows:

Assessment items and workload per		%	CLO(s)	Due date
item				
1	2 Written Tests (50 minutes each)	20% each	1, 2, 3, 4, 6	WT 1: Wednesday 17 August
				WT 2: Wednesday 12 October
2	2 Assignments (1500 words each)	10% each	1, 2, 3,4, 6	Ass 1: 5 August
				Ass 2: 16 September
3	2 Audio-visual Tests (50 minutes	10% each	4, 5	AV 1: Week 7
	each)			AV 2: Week 11
4	Tutorial class assessment (active	10%	4, 5	All the oral (tutorial) classes
	participation in discussions, group			
	exercises or activities)			
5	Oral Test (15 minutes)	10%	4, 5	Date to be advised (Week 12)

Submission and return of work

All assignments must include a cover sheet available from the SLC Office on the sixth floor of von Zedlitz (vZ610). Assignments are to be handed into the Italian assignment box located to the left of the SLC Office (vZ610). Corrected work will be handed out in class. If you do not collect your work in class, you will be able to collect it from the SLC Office (vZ610) between 10am-2pm each day. You will need to show your student ID card to collect work from the office. All work not collected will be destroyed three months after the date of the final written test.

Please make sure to always keep a copy of any assignment you hand in.

Extensions and penalties

The due dates for the assignments given in the Course Programme *must* be adhered to. Although work may be accepted late in special circumstances, the Course Coordinator should always be contacted on or before the due dates if there is a problem.

The penalty for work presented late without prior approval is a 5% deduction per day. In addition, please note that up to a maximum of 5% may be deducted for poorly presented assignments.

Please note that no work for assessment will be accepted after 24 October 2016.

Presentation of assignment

Tidy presentation of assignments is essential. Work may be typed or neatly handwritten. Crossings-out indicate that a piece of work is still at draft stage. Allow space for correction: leave a 4-centimetre margin and write on alternate lines. Do not write in pencil.

Tests and impairments

The dates of the tests given in the Course Programme *must* be adhered to. You should always sit a test if humanly possible, obtaining a medical certificate if you wish to claim impairment. If you sit a test but believe your performance has been radically affected by some medical or other factor, inform the Course Coordinator *immediately*. If you fail the test, you may be able to claim impairment.

If you are unable to sit a test, for severe medical, personal or family reasons, you should do everything possible to notify the Course Coordinator, if necessary through the Administrator, *before* the test, or to get a friend or family member to do so on your behalf.

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Only in cases of severe illness or other exceptionally difficult circumstances, which must normally be documented, can the Course Coordinator consider allowing students to sit a test at a different time from that indicated.

Set texts

Essential texts:

Progetto Italiano 3, libro dello studente – Italian version, T Marin, Edilingua

Progetto Italiano 3, quaderno degli esercizi, corso multimediale di lingua e civilità italiana – Italian version, A Bidetti, M Domenici, L Piccolo, Edilingua

Recommended Text

Grammit for English Speakers Italian Grammar, Gabriella Iacovoni, Nadia Persiani and Barbara Fiorentino, Bonacci editore

All textbooks and student notes can be purchased from Vic Books, Ground Floor Easterfield Building, Kelburn Parade. They can also be ordered online at www.vicbooks.co.nz. Orders and enquiries can be emailed to enquiries@vicbooks.co.nz.

Class representative

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course. Students may like to write the Class Rep's name and details in this box:

Class Rep name and contact details:	

Class reps will attend a meeting with the Head of School to discuss how your courses are going and to raise any concerns or suggestions that they may have. You can find out more information on Class Representatives on the VUWSA website: www.vuwsa.org.nz.

Student feedback

Students have consistently enjoyed ITAL 316. The combined use of grammar points in slides for in-class time with directed practice of them for out-of-class time (textbooks) and alternative, creative options for written and oral assignments and assessments seem to work well and provide a holistic completion of their learning experience of Italian.

I will discuss these aspects in the first class as well as post a note on Blackboard.

Student feedback on University courses may be found at

www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php

Language Learning Centre (LLC)

The Language Learning Centre (LLC) is the University's technology-rich, multimedia centre supporting language learning.

At the LLC you can practise and extend your language learning. You can:

 Find materials to support your language studies, including dictionaries, textbooks and graded readers.

- Study independently using language learning software, audio material and DVDs.
- Find a welcoming environment with services and events, and onsite assistance and support for languages
- Become a Language Buddy or find a conversation group.

Visit the LLC on Level 0, von Zedlitz Building and take a look at our website www.victoria.ac.nz/llc

Other important information

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Academic Progress: <u>www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progess</u> (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: <u>www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades</u>
- Special passes: refer to the *Assessment Handbook*, at <u>www.victoria.ac.nz/documents/policy/staff-policy/assessment-handbook.pdf</u>
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: <u>www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support</u>
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/disability
- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Subject Librarians: http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian
- Terms and conditions: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: <u>www.vuwsa.org.nz</u>

Course programme							
Week	Starting	Unit of PI 3	Temi/punti linguistici	Assessment dates			
1	11 July	UNITÀ 17	Non approfondire				
		Lecture 1:	Concordanza dei tempi				
		Lecture 2:	Concordanza dei tempi (cont.); Congiunzioni				
			(No AV class or tutorial this week)				
2	18 July	UNITÀ 19	Emigrazione				
		Lecture 1:	Lettura e comprensione				
		Lecture 2:	Forme impersonali				
		Tutorial class:	Oral communication activities				
		AV class:	Audio-visual and written activit	iies			

3 UNITÀ 20 25 July Stop alle auto Lecture 1: Participi passati irregolari Lecture 2: Ripasso periodo ipotetico Tutorial class: Oral communication activities AV class: Audio-visual and written activities 4 1 August UNITÀ 21 Il falso a tavola Lecture 1: Participio presente Lecture 2: Participio passato con valore passivo Tutorial class: Oral communication activities AV class: Audio-visual and written activities Assignment 1: Friday, 5 August, 4pm 5 8 August UNITÀ 22 Che fine ha fatto l'amicizia? Lecture 1: ripasso stare + gerundio Lecture 2: farsi + infinito; Mock test 1 Tutorial class: Oral communication activities AV class: Audio-visual and written activities 6 15 August Lecture 1: Revision Lecture 2: Written Test 1: Wednesday, 17 August Tutorial class: Oral communication activities AV class: Audio-visual and written activities MID-TRIMESTER BREAK (22 AUGUST - 4 SEPTEMBER 2016) 7 5 September UNITÀ 24 Lo scheletro nell'armadio Lecture 1: Congiunzioni Lecture 2: Indefiniti; Tutorial class: Oral communication activities AV class: AV test 1 8 12 September UNITÀ 26 Medicina alternativa Lecture 1: Funzioni della particella "si"

Lecture 2: Si passivante

Tutorial class: Oral communication activities

AV class: Audio-visual and written activities

Assignment 2: Friday, 16 September, 4pm

9 19 September UNITÀ 28: Cinema italiano

Lecture 1: Forme impersonali al passato

Lecture 2: La scelta dell'ausiliare nei tempi composti; avverbi

Tutorial class: Oral communication activities

AV class: Audio-visual and written activities

10 26 September UNITÀ 29: Roma antica

Lecture 1: Ripasso passato remoto

Lecture 2: Trapassato remoto e i tempi passati

Tutorial class: Oral communication activities

AV class: Audio-visual and written activities

11 3 October UNITÀ 29: Roma antica

Lecture 1: Usi del gerundio

Lecture 2: Mock test 2

Tutorial class: Oral communication activities

AV class: AV test 2

12 10 October Lecture 1: Revision

Lecture 2: Written Test 2: Wednesday, 12 October

ORAL TEST: time and place to be advised