**ITAL\*1070 Introductory Italian II**

Winter 2022

School of Languages & Literatures

Credit Weight: 0.50

**Course Outline**

**Timetable and Instructional Team**

LECTURES: Mon, Wed 4:30PM-5:20PM

LAB 0101 Tue, Thurs 10:30AM - 11:20AM

LAB 0102 Wed, Fri 12:30PM - 1:20PM

Instructor: Alessia Ursella (aursella@uoguelph.ca) MCKN 280

Teaching Assistant: Chiara Cremona (ccremona@uoguelph.ca)

Office Hours:

Alessia Ursella: Monday 5:20pm-6:00pm or by appointment. Office hours will be held in person at the office or online through Teams. Please email me if you want to connect online!

Chiara Cremona: TBA

**Course Description**

A beginning course in Italian providing the fundamentals of grammar, structure and idiom.

Aspect of Italian language and culture are introduced through interactive discussions,

readings, and audio-video material.

Pre-Requisites: ITAL\*1060

This course may not be taken by students who have OAC Italian or equivalent.

**Required Resources**

Parmegiani, Sandra. *Introductory Italian II W2021* (Textbook)

This is the second part of the Top Hat textbook used in ITAL\*1060. Students should make

sure to have the Top Hat App downloaded and to purchase the textbook.

Textbook: **ISBN** **9781774125250**

**If you purchased Top Hat for two semesters you don’t need to buy the app.**

**For those who don’t have the app:
Top Hat Access - One Semester: ISBN 9780986615108**

**Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

* recognize basic spoken Italian
* communicate in basic Italian using familiar everyday expressions related to practical needs
* introduce yourself
* produce accurate reading of simple sentences and expressions
* produce simple written expressions

**Assessments**

1. Weekly Lab Quizzes (15%)

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Ongoing throughout the course
2. Short Reflection (5 x 3%) (15%)
3. Video Assignments (2 x 5%) (10%)
4. Oral Exam (10%)
5. Final Exam (25%)

**Assessment Details**

**Weekly online learning activities (25%)**

These activities will be assigned weekly. The deadline is every Monday at 11:59pm.

**Virtual Lab Quizzes (15%)**

Every week students will be assessed on the grammar and vocabulary introduced in the lectures. Students should attend seminars in full. If a student can’t attend the seminar it is their responsibility to contact the instructor responsible for the seminar and schedule and alternative time for the lab quiz.

All students are expected to engage in a constructive and active way with the review work proposed during the seminars. In order to do so, they should keep up with the material introduced during the lectures and complete the weekly online learning activities.

**Short Reflections (15%)**

Students will be asked to complete five short reflections (80 to 100 words in Italian). The topics will be assigned throughout the semester. If you didn’t complete the language modules in ITAL 1060 (or any other first level language course), your reflections will be based upon your readings on these modules. [more information will be provided during the first week of class].

Students are not required to do research for this assignment: the main task is to reflect upon the given subject and write a coherent piece that respects the instructions in terms of length and topic.

Short reflections are due through Dropbox by Friday (11:59PM) of weeks 2, 4, 6, 8, 10.

**Video Assignment (10%)**

Students will be asked to produce two three-to-five minutes videos in Italian. Suggested topics will be provided. The suggested tool for video presentations is loom.com, which has a 5 minutes limit for starter users (education users have a 45-minute recording limit – students can request and education licence, it is free). Students can use also another recording tool, as long as the recording generates a link to be posted in the Dropbox folder.

These assignments are due on March 2 and March 30.

**Oral presentation (10%)**

Between week 11 and week 12, students are expected to deliver a three to five-minutes presentation on a topic of their choice concerning Italian culture (upon agreement with the instructor). They will be required to showcase their ability to master sentence structures, grammar and vocabulary studied in class, and to be able to apply that knowledge in a creative fashion. A brief interaction with the instructor will follow the presentation. Additional details and a signing sheet will be provided.

**Final Exam (25%)**

April 23, 2022 (7-9PM)

**Late assignments**

Late assignments will be penalized with a 10% reduction of the assignment’s grade within a 7 days delay. After 7 days the assignment’s grade will be reduced by 50%.
Please make sure to read the section **When You Cannot Meet a Course Requirement on page 4**.
When you find yourself unable to meet an in-course requirement because of illness or compassionate reasons please advise the course instructor (or designated person, such as a teaching assistant) in writing, with your name, id#, and e-mail contact **BEFORE THE ASSIGNMENT IS DUE, NOT AFTER**.

**Students' Responsibility**

* to prepare the weekly material assigned
* to be proactive in their virtual interaction with the instructor
* to complete the lab exercises
* to turn in written work on time
* to complete course requirements

**Instructors' Responsibility**

* to offer the synchronous class in a professional and pedagogically sound manner
* to help students attain the goals of the class
* to mark and return written work in a timely manner
* to assess all students fairly and equitably

**University Statements**

**Email Communication**

As per university regulations, all students are required to check their e-mail account regularly: e-mail is the official route of communication between the University and its students.

**When You Cannot Meet a Course Requirement**

When you find yourself unable to meet an in-course requirement because of illness or compassionate reasons please advise the course instructor (or designated person, such as a teaching assistant) in writing, with your name, id#, and e-mail contact. The grounds for Academic Consideration are detailed in the Undergraduate and Graduate Calendars.

Undergraduate Calendar - Academic Consideration and Appeals
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-ac.shtml>

Graduate Calendar - Grounds for Academic Consideration
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/genreg/index.shtml>

**Drop Date**

Students will have until the last day of classes to drop courses without academic penalty. The deadline to drop two-semester courses will be the last day of classes in the second semester. This applies to all students (undergraduate, graduate and diploma) except for Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Associate Diploma in Veterinary Technology (conventional and alternative delivery) students. The regulations and procedures for course registration are available in their respective Academic Calendars.

Undergraduate Calendar - Dropping Courses
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-drop.shtml>

Graduate Calendar - Registration Changes
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/genreg/genreg-reg-regchg.shtml>

**Copies of Out-of-class Assignments**

Keep paper and/or other reliable back-up copies of all out-of-class assignments: you may be asked to resubmit work at any time.

**Accessibility**

The University promotes the full participation of students who experience disabilities in their academic programs. To that end, the provision of academic accommodation is a shared responsibility between the University and the student.

When accommodations are needed, the student is required to first register with Student Accessibility Services (SAS). Documentation to substantiate the existence of a disability is required; however, interim accommodations may be possible while that process is underway.

Accommodations are available for both permanent and temporary disabilities. It should be noted that common illnesses such as a cold or the flu do not constitute a disability.

Use of the SAS Exam Centre requires students to book their exams at least 7 days in advance and not later than the 40th Class Day.

For Guelph students, information can be found on the SAS website
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/sas>

**Academic Integrity**

The University of Guelph is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity, and it is the responsibility of all members of the University community-faculty, staff, and students-to be aware of what constitutes academic misconduct and to do as much as possible to prevent academic offences from occurring. University of Guelph students have the responsibility of abiding by the University's policy on academic misconduct regardless of their location of study; faculty, staff, and students have the responsibility of supporting an environment that encourages academic integrity. Students need to remain aware that instructors have access to and the right to use electronic and other means of detection.

Please note: Whether or not a student intended to commit academic misconduct is not relevant for a finding of guilt. Hurried or careless submission of assignments does not excuse students from responsibility for verifying the academic integrity of their work before submitting it. Students who are in any doubt as to whether an action on their part could be construed as an academic offence should consult with a faculty member or faculty advisor.

Undergraduate Calendar - Academic Misconduct
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-amisconduct.shtml>

Graduate Calendar - Academic Misconduct
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/genreg/index.shtml>

**Recording of Materials**

Presentations that are made in relation to course work - including lectures - cannot be recorded or copied without the permission of the presenter, whether the instructor, a student, or guest lecturer. Material recorded with permission is restricted to use for that course unless further permission is granted.

**Resources**

The Academic Calendars are the source of information about the University of Guelph’s procedures, policies, and regulations that apply to undergraduate, graduate, and diploma programs.

Academic Calendars: <https://www.uoguelph.ca/academics/calendars>

**Disclaimer**

Please note that the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic may necessitate a revision of the format of course offerings and academic schedules. Any such changes will be announced via CourseLink and/or class email. All University-wide decisions will be posted on the COVID-19 website (<https://news.uoguelph.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus-information/>) and circulated by email.

**Illness**

The University will not normally require verification of illness (doctor's notes) for fall 2020 or winter 2021 semester courses. However, requests for Academic Consideration may still require medical documentation as appropriate.