

ITALIAN, CERTIFICATE

The undergraduate certificate in Italian offers students the opportunity to develop their proficiency in Italian language and their knowledge of literature and culture in the Italian-speaking world. Advanced courses (300 and 400 level) will allow students to build on the foundation developed in 200-level courses by choosing from a range of courses in Italian literature, linguistics, cinema, culture, and professional communication. The certificate also strengthens the applications of students who intend to pursue careers or graduate study in areas where Italian is useful. The undergraduate certificate in Italian is open to all undergraduate students.

HOW TO GET IN

Students can declare an Italian certificate at any time. For more information, please see the department website (<https://frit.wisc.edu/>) and/or consult the undergraduate advisor (<https://frit.wisc.edu/faculty-french-and-italian/>).

Students declared in the Italian major are not eligible to declare the Certificate in Italian.

REQUIREMENTS

5 COURSES AND 15 CREDITS, TO INCLUDE: ¹

Code	Title	Credits
Foundation (two courses):		6
ITALIAN 311	Advanced Italian Language	
ITALIAN 312	Writing Workshop	
ITALIAN 321	Studies in Italian Literature and Culture I	
ITALIAN 322	Studies in Italian Literature and Culture II	
Electives		9
ITALIAN 230	Modern Italian Culture	
ITALIAN 311	Advanced Italian Language	
ITALIAN 312	Writing Workshop	
ITALIAN 321	Studies in Italian Literature and Culture I	
ITALIAN 322	Studies in Italian Literature and Culture II	
ITALIAN 340	Structures of Italian	
ITALIAN/ILS 350	Rome: Lust for Glory (Taught in English)	
ITALIAN/ILS/ LITTRANS/ POLI SCI 365	Machiavelli and His World (Taught in English)	
ITALIAN 420	Topics in Italian: Study Abroad	
ITALIAN/ FRENCH/ PORTUG/ SPANISH 429	Introduction to the Romance Languages (Taught in English)	
ITALIAN 450	Special Topics in Italian Literature	
ITALIAN 452	Special Topics in Italian Studies: Culture, Film, Language	

ITALIAN/ COM ARTS 460	Italian Film (Taught in English)
LITTRANS 213	Love and Sex in Italian Comedy ²
or LITTRANS/ MEDIEVAL/ RELIG ST 253	Of Demons and Angels. Dante's Divine Comedy
or LITTRANS 25	In Translation: Lit of Modern Italy-Existentialism, Fascism, Resistance
or LITTRANS/ MEDIEVAL 255	Black Death and Medieval Life Through Boccaccio's Decameron
or LITTRANS 26	Italy and the Invention of America: from Columbus to World War II
or LITTRANS 41	In Translation: Special Topics in Italian Literature

Total Credits

15

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

9 credits taken on the UW-Madison campus

2.000 GPA on all certificate courses

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Courses taken pass/fail are not eligible for the certificate.

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Only one LITTRANS course may count in the certificate.

CERTIFICATE COMPLETION REQUIREMENT

This undergraduate certificate must be completed concurrently with the student's undergraduate degree. Students cannot delay degree completion to complete the certificate.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- (Interpretive communication) Demonstrate that they understand and can analyze of literary and nonliterary texts in Italian representing a variety of topics, time periods, and geographical regions.
- (Presentational communication) Express themselves effectively in spoken and written Italian to inform, persuade, and narrate for different audiences of listeners, viewers, or readers.
- (Interpersonal communication) Express themselves effectively in spoken and written Italian to share information, reactions, and opinions related to a variety of topics and texts.
- (Cultural knowledge) Recognize and explain cultural artifacts, practices, and perspectives of the Italian-speaking world.
- (Linguistic knowledge) Demonstrate a good degree of understanding of lexical, grammatical, syntactic, and stylistic features of the Italian language.
- (Cross-cultural awareness) Demonstrate awareness of difference and diversity by comparing and contrasting culturally situated beliefs, behaviors, and norms of the Italian-speaking world with their own.
- (Engagement with the Italian language and culture) Engage in a sustained fashion with the Italian language, its users, and cultural artifacts in and beyond the classroom, e.g., in their own community, virtual communities, and study abroad.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

- For information on language proficiency, language placement, retrocredits, and/or declaring the Italian Certificate, please see the French and Italian department website (<https://frit.wisc.edu/undergraduate-programs-in-french/>).
- For advising on the Italian Major or Certificate, please contact the undergraduate advisor.
- For language and international directions advising, please contact the International Directions Advisor in the Language Institute (<http://languages.wisc.edu/languageadvising/>).

L&S CAREER RESOURCES

Every L&S major opens a world of possibilities. SuccessWorks (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/>) at the College of Letters & Science helps students turn the academic skills learned in their major, certificates, and other coursework into fulfilling lives after graduation, whether that means jobs, public service, graduate school or other career pursuits.

In addition to providing basic support like resume reviews and interview practice, SuccessWorks offers ways to explore interests and build career skills from their very first semester/term at UW all the way through graduation and beyond.

Students can explore careers in one-on-one advising, try out different career paths, complete internships, prepare for the job search and/or graduate school applications, and connect with supportive alumni and even employers in the fields that inspire them.

- SuccessWorks (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/>)
- Set up a career advising appointment (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/>)
- Enroll in a Career Course (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/career-courses/>) - a great idea for first- and second-year students:
 - INTER-LS 210 L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit)
 - INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Comm B General Education Requirement)
- Learn about internships and internship funding (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/finding-a-job-or-internship/>)
 - INTER-LS 260 Internship in the Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Activate your Handshake account (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/handshake/>) to apply for jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers recruiting UW-Madison students
- Learn about the impact SuccessWorks has on students' lives (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/about/mission/>)

PEOPLE

ITALIAN FACULTY

Professors Buccini, Livorni, Rumble

Associate Professors Menechella, Phillips-Court, Todorovic

Faculty Associate Eadie

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