

# GONZAGA IN FLORENCE

Fall Semester 2008

Course : ITA 105

Instructor : Dott. Barbara Lastrucci

## SYLLABUS

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### Course description and objectives

The main focus of this course is to help students develop the practical skills necessary to use the language in everyday situations.

In the first part of the semester, students will learn how to interact with the Italian environment while

- going to the open-air markets for grocery shopping
- going shopping for clothing
- going to cafes, bars and restaurants
- asking for an information on the street
- buying train tickets, taking a train or a bus
- meeting new friends

Also, students will be encouraged to tell and talk about themselves and the second part of the course will be focused on conversations and discussions about American and Italian cultures (with their peculiarities and differences).

Field trips and visits in downtown (during class hours) will be integrating part of the course, in order to make immediate use of the material covered in class.

Students will improve their vocabulary and practice using the grammar structures studied in Italian 101, therefore the course is just for those who have taken or are taking ITA 101

### Exams

Oct27/28. : oral Mid Term Examination

Oral Final Examination : to be decided by the administration

### Grading system

Final : 25%

Mid Term :20%

Class participation : 30%

Compositions / Presentations : 25%

### Grading Scale

100-95 = A	75.9-74 = C
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### Absences

According to the general rules of Gonzaga in Florence Program.

The students will be responsible for all explanations and work missed.

As this is a conversation class, regular attendance is essential !

## **Office Hours**

By appointment

### SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL LEARNING:

Use Italian as much as possible, even when you know that you would probably be understood just as well using English.

Find Italian friends- Join the organized activities and meet Italian students

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- going to the open-air markets for grocery shopping
- going shopping for clothing and/or gifts
- going to cafes, bars and restaurants
- asking for an information and directions on the street
- buying train tickets, taking a train or a bus
- meeting new friends
- complaining or protesting while travelling

Also, students will be encouraged to tell and talk about themselves and their lives and habits in the United States, and the second part of the course will be focused on conversations and discussions about American and Italian cultures (with their peculiarities and differences, including idiomatic expressions and proper manners).

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