

# ITALIAN (ITA)

## Courses and Descriptions

### ITA 100 Italian I 3 Credits

The language program objectives of our department are based on the premise that students must be able to demonstrate increased proficiency in interpersonal, interpretive and presentational communication skills as well as growth in cultural, literary and interdisciplinary knowledge as they move through a sequence of study. This course is the first part of the first year experience in Italian during which the development of communicative and cultural competencies are at the center of this experience. At the end of the course, successful students will be able to communicate short messages on highly predictable, everyday topics that affect them directly. They will also develop a sense of the cultural aspects of people who speak the target language. Cultural components include the importance of regions in the construction of Italian identity; differences in American and Italian school and university systems; the role of the family in Italian life. The course is conducted in Italian. This course fulfills LAS Core Curriculum Requirement I. Essential Competencies: Foreign Language.

### ITA 101 Italian II 3 Credits

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**Prerequisite(s):** ITA 100 or LL 145 or Placement Test.

### ITA 200 Italian III 3 Credits

The language program objectives of our department are based on the premise that students must be able to demonstrate increased proficiency in interpersonal, interpretive and presentational communication skills as well as growth in cultural, literary and interdisciplinary knowledge as they move through a sequence of study. This course is the third part of the four-semester sequence in Italian. At the end of ITA 200, successful students achieve proficiency in Italian at the intermediate level in oral expression, listening comprehension, reading of short texts, and writing. Students will be able to successfully navigate conversational and written Italian in cultural contexts related to course themes: personal relationships, Italian communities, hobbies and free time activities, the value of social and political ideas, the Italian family across the generations. The course is conducted in Italian. This course fulfills LAS Core Curriculum Requirement I. Essential Competencies: Foreign Language.

**Prerequisite(s):** ITA 200 or LL 247 or placement test.

### ITA 201 Italian IV 3 Credits

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**Prerequisite(s):** ITA 200 with a minimum grade of D or LL 247 with a minimum grade of D. This course fulfills LAS Core Curriculum Requirement I. Essential Competencies: Foreign Language.