Italiano 101

Are you ready? Forza!

<u>Take a wild trip:</u> in the beautiful language and learn the essential go get around during your next vacation

<u>Discover these topics:</u> sports, food, school, family, cities, daily life and other culture.

Bring your opinions: adapt them to Italian and apply them to your other course.

Benvenuti e Buon divertimento!



What's it like?

Language: Did you know you will have the tools to meet an Italian immediately on day 1. Yes! Then you will learn all the basics, by applying what you learn in class to reading short texts, writing in Italian and speaking in Italian. Participation is expected in Italian at all times!

Culture: Did you know Italian culture is all around you? You'll see the influences and also learn similarities and differences and many new things about Italy and all things Italian!

Critical thinking and analytical skills: Have you heard of "Six degrees of separation"? That means what you learn in here applies to your other courses ... directly and indirectly.



Course Description

The *principal goal* of this course is the development of your Italian language skills through integrated use of topics in culture, grammar and vocabulary. No prior knowdledge needed but the course will be held in Italian, including grammar explanations, assignments and exam directions. By reading and viewing authentic texts you will complement the language instruction to help you in the process of learning Italian; you will also be able to make comparisons at the basic level with your own culture. You will write different kinds of texts in Italian, including in the electronic format. The general focus of classroom instruction will be to practice the grammatical and vocabulary topics presented in the textbook. The *implicit goal* of this course is to give you the tools to communicate in Italian at the most basic level and to understand simple audio, video and written texts that you will naturally be exposed to during travel or study in Italy.

<u>Textbook</u>: Sentieri vText with Supersite and Websam code (looseleaf textbook and online workbook)

ed. VistaHigherlearning (available at the bookstores or at a discount directly from the publisher at www.vhldirect.com)

<u>Note</u>: if you purchase in advance, do not write or activate the code until it's confirmed you are in fact in the appropriate level during the first week of class

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