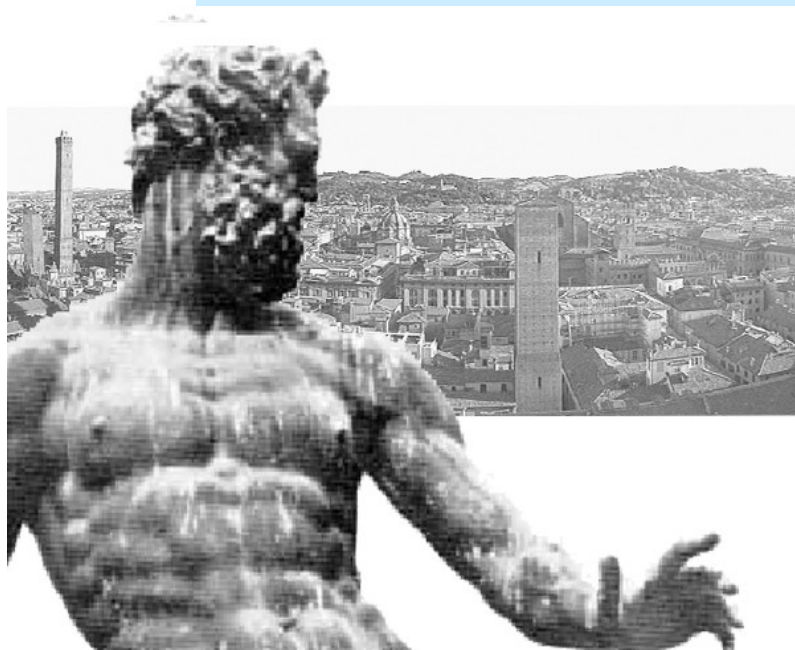




**Bologna**

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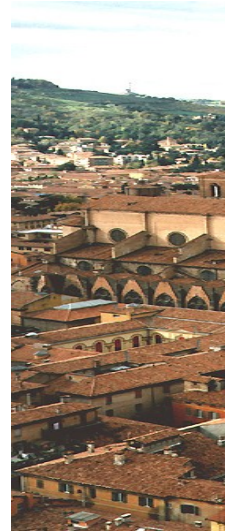
Cultura Italiana is a centre of Italian language and culture ([www.culturaitaliana.it](http://www.culturaitaliana.it)). It organizes Italian language courses in Bologna (North Italy). The school is situated in a city far away from mass tourism, where it is easy to make contact with the Italian people. In this city most Italians would prefer to live. Bologna's University is the oldest Institution in Europe.

The school is legally recognised by the "Ministero della Pubblica Istruzione" (Government Department of Education) as a "school of Italian Language for Foreigners", and it is a member of ASILS, the Association of Schools of Italian as a Second Language, and a centre for the preparation for Siena University's certificate of Italian as a Second Language (CILS). The average number of students is about 80 (59% from Europe, 21% from America, 14% from Asia, 3% from Australia, 0.2% from Africa).

#### **Classes**

Cultura Italiana organizes language courses in cooperation with cultural institutes all year round. The courses begin on Monday with the classification test for 10 different levels and last 4, 3, 2 or 6, 8, 12 weeks.

These courses consist of 20 lesson-hours plus 6 hours of extracurricular programme per week. Classes take place either in the morning between 9.00 a.m. and 12.40 p.m. or in the afternoon between 1 p.m. and 4.40 p.m. There are four classes each of 50 minutes, with a 20 minute break in the middle. During the first half of the morning or afternoon one teacher gives lessons on grammar structure and vocabulary; during the second part another



concentrates on expression and communication. Besides the normal classes of 6-12 students the school also offers classes with 3-5 or 2 participants and individual classes. At the end of the course the participant receives a certificate.



#### **Levels**

The students are divided into 8 Levels according to their knowledge of the language and their abilities: Basic A1 (Basic 1) and A2 (Basic 2) - 1st and 2nd part, Intermediate B1 (Intermediate 1) and B2 (Intermediate 2) - 1st and 2nd part, Advanced C1 (Advanced 1) and C2 (Advanced 2) - 1st and 2nd part. Particular care will be given to the usage of the language, to expression, to a

good comprehension and to the ability to use the language in particular situations.

A1 (Basic) and A2 (Basic 2) - 1st and 2nd part

Objective: a basic understanding of the linguistic elements necessary for a good comprehension of everyday conversation. Means: linguistic animation comprehension exercises, linguistic context analysis, short conversations, readings from film scripts, newspaper articles and short stories, the study of the main grammatical concepts.



B1 (Intermediate 1) and B2 (Intermediate 2) - 1st and 2nd part

Objective: the ability to converse in everyday Italian in all sorts of linguistic situations with sufficient precision. Means: the reading of articles and literary extracts, conversation oral summaries, written exercises, active use of grammar.

C1 (Advanced 1) and C2 (Advanced 2) - 1st and 2nd part

Objective: the natural use of the language in all its expressive forms. Means: the reading and discussion of articles, literary texts and poetry, written summaries and comments, study of more complex grammatical concepts, idiomatic constructions, neologisms, synonyms.

#### **Certificate and University Diploma**

At the end of the course the School confers a certificate of participation indicating the level attended. This Cultura Italiana Certificate is valid in the professional field because Cultura Italiana is the first legally recognized Italian language School for Foreigners. So it is usable for finding a job.

Cultura Italiana is also a recognized Education Centre by Italian and foreign Universities.

#### **The Active Learning**

Classes are held by professional teachers with experience in teaching Italian as a foreign language. Classes consist of learning the forms of the Italian language, its rules and its communicative use.

Particular care will be given to the usage of the language, to expression, to a good comprehension and to the ability to use the language in particular situations.

Because of the intensive character, our courses require



much cooperation from the participants. About 2 hours' homework per day is expected of each student. In case of



didactic differences within a single class, the school will divide the class into smaller groups and reduce the class-time as follows: 4-5 people: three lesson-hours; 2-3 people: two and a half lesson-hours; 1 person: one and a quarter lesson-hour. Small groups do more intensive work in class and at home and reach the same level as those in the larger groups.

#### **Didactic Material**

The school provides the didactic material, including free photocopies. Text-books are lent by the school.

#### **Programme of Extracurricular Activities**

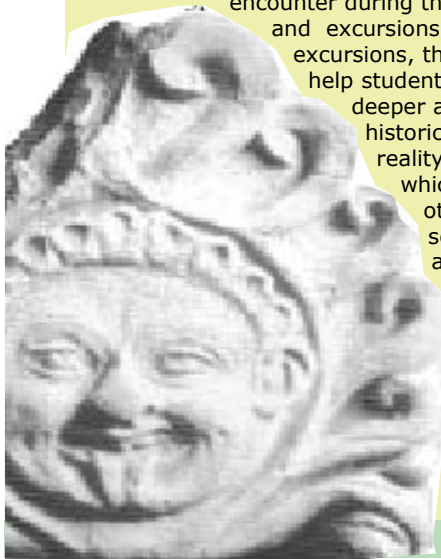
The aim of the various activities is to facilitate and encourage contact between the participants on the course and their Italian environment, and to provide a general understanding of contemporary Italy. The program of activities after the classes is divided into two parts.

The first part is a program specifically designed for every participant having some special interest. A doctor, an architect or a teacher i.e. can meet an Italian colleague at work. People interested in football or in motorcycles can join a football team fan club



or a Ducati bikers' club. The ones who are interested in music can meet, for instance, a collector of ancient musical instruments. Please write your interest on the enrolling form, if you like. These are personal meetings between individual people or between small groups sharing the same interest. The possibility of having these meetings depends on the availability of your Italian colleagues, on the times and on the different contexts. It is not always possible to organize the meetings. Sometimes we cannot find Italian people available who have time to meet the students. We are sorry, but we are doing all we can to satisfy your requests, because it is in our interest to create chances for the students to increase their interest in speaking Italian with Italians, spontaneously! The second part is a program of activities designed for all the students together. The second part is a selection of activities. Seminars and conferences are held by experts or by the organizers themselves. The subjects are strictly connected with aspects of Italian life and culture that the students encounter during the course, during the visits and excursions, and at the meetings. The excursions, the visits and the meetings help students to acquire a direct and deeper approach to the town and its historical, artistic, and urban reality, also emphasizing factors which distinguish Bologna from other Italian towns. The selection of the program's activities is adapted according to the students' interests and follows four general topics:

- a. The town of Bologna
- b. Art, History and Music
- c. Landscape and Environment
- d. Current events



### **Italian cooking and wine tasting**

Italian cooking are provided by Cultura Italiana to learn easily the best Italian food .

Wine tastings teach how to choose and recognize the different kind of wine. Please visit [www.culturaitaliana.it](http://www.culturaitaliana.it)

### **Seminars**

The school offers seminars on the following topics: Italian literature, history of music, history of Italian language, painting and drawing.

### **Friends, relatives and guests**

Friends, relatives and guests of course participant are also welcome. They benefit from the special prices offered to our students in the university's restaurant, hotels and families. Furthermore they can sometimes take part in the programme as guests, even if they are not registered.





### **Child Care**

Can be provided during lesson time. The price varies depending on the age and the number of children.

### **Pick up service**

The school provides an airport pick up service, if requested. Please contact the secretary office.

### **What to wear**

Winter can be cold and summer hot. In spring and autumn the climate is usually temperate but it may rain! Clothing should be suitable for the seasons. Don't forget comfortable shoes for the excursions and your bathing suit!

### **Tryal Day**

When you register, you may also make a request for a trial day. If at the end of the first day the student is not satisfied all course fees paid will be completely refunded. This opportunity to decide if the course meets your needs is available only the first day of the course.

### **Scholarships**

Cultura Italiana offers scholarships to Italian Cultural Institutes, Italian Embassies and Consulates, Italian Department at Universities or other cultural and social organizations which collaborate in the development and promotion of the School.

### **Publications, Meetings and Exhibitions**

Cultura Italiana organizes meetings, exhibitions and seminars and publishes their records. Please visit [www.culturaitaliana.it](http://www.culturaitaliana.it)

### **Press Coverage**

Please visit

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### **Registration procedures**

Please complete the application form and send it to:

**CULTURA ITALIANA**

**Via Castiglione 4**

**I - 40124 Bologna BO**

**Fax no.: ++39 051227675**

The deposit of Euro 130 should be:

1) paid by bank transfer to a/c

Carisbo - Intesa San Paolo

Via Rizzoli, 5 40124 - Bologna

IBAN: IT8300638502452011402210139

BIC: IBSPIT2B571

2) or paid on line by Credit Card (Visa, Mastercard)



As soon as your registration has arrived, you will receive a confirmation. If you decide to cancel or to change the date of your course, please inform us at least 15 days before the beginning of the course. In this case, your deposit will be considered valid for a subsequent course or refunded (euro 50 will, however, be deducted to cover expenses and bank fees). In the event of irregular attendance or interruption to the course on the part of the student, no reduction in price will apply.

**Should you need further information, please visit**

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*Application Form*

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Profession \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality \_\_\_\_\_ Mother Tongue \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby register for the following course

from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

6-12 people  3-5 people  evening course

specially designed  Italian + cooking

individual  2 people: how many hours ? \_\_\_\_\_

with the following accommodation :

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke ?  yes  no

How do you rate your knowledge of the Italian language ?

none  basic  average  good  very good

For how long and where have you studied the Italian language ?

\_\_\_\_\_

Which other languages do you speak ?

\_\_\_\_\_

How did you first hear about the school ?

\_\_\_\_\_

I include a copy of the deposit transfer

Place and date

Signature

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