ital100 FALL 2013 Dr. Lanzl-Lalande

August 26 to December 14, 2013

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However, please feel free to contact la professoressa per email any time and

I will be sure to get back with you at my earliest convenience.

Classroom: SHill 410.

Course Times: Monday/WED/ Friday: 8:55 AM to 10:05 AM

Textbook and materials: Sentieri as available at the Moravian Bookstore

Further information and additional options: <u>vhldirect.com</u> <u>Sentieri</u> *technical support for students*: 1-800-248-2813

Sentieri comprises 12 units (unità) and lends itself for the duration of three semesters.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Italian like most other languages is a living language that is spoken, listened to read and written. Italian is also referred to as the language of music and opera for more than one reason (can you think of one of them?). With this in mind, the goal of this course is to introduce class participants to and provide them with **sound tools of basic communication**. You will be able to meet and greet people; you will refer to others and

describe people/objects in proper Italian; you will discuss weather, daily activities, school, university, family life and more!

During the course of this semester, we will be covering 4 learning units (unità) at the pace of I unità per about 3(+) weeks.

No mid-term: instead there will be regularly scheduled quizzes and some tests, as we discourage students from "seasonal work." Consistent studying is key!

GRADING depends on and is calculated upon the following:

• Regular class attendance (please do arrive on time): You have the right to 3 (three) absences with no question asked. After these three absences you will need a **formal reason for missing class**, **such as a doctor's** **note**. Please bear in mind that a campus nurse's note (stating "at the student's request") will not suffice. Such note would have to specify the problem. Excuses from friends and room-mates can not be accepted either.

- Attendance + active participation in class room activities; answering all questions pertaining to material covered previously + assignments to be turned in per deadline (35%)
- Please note that most assignments are part of WEBSAM (=web based student activity workbook), and they provide auto-correction. Therefore they won't be graded as such. However, I will keep a log of all assignments turned in and completed on time.
- Grades of all quizzes (no make-ups) (20%) Quizzes may be presented in part as oral quizzes and they will be announced as such.
- Grades of all tests (no make-ups) (20%) Tests are cumulative: aside from the subject matter ad hoc (i.e. the current unità), you are expected to be able to refer to material that was covered previously.
- Grade of the final exam (25%)

BASIC rules of courtesy during class time

- Cell phone/pager use is not permitted: both must be turned off during class time and texting is not an option! Violation of these rules results in *confiscation of everyone's cell!*
- No gum, please, as chewing interferes with properly enouncing, speaking and communicating. [©]
- Our class room is located most closely to restrooms. So, please make use of these amenities **before** or **after** class time. Thank you. If you must leave the class room, please leave your cell phone with la professoressa. Thank you again!

ACADEMIC HONESTY

Do not ever use any electronic translation engine found on the Internet to do your homework, as the lack of quality comes through immediately. More importantly, such practice is referred to as cheating or plagiarism thus constituting a reprehensible case that will be reported to the Dean.

CONTENTS:

8/26 - 9/13 (9/2, no class on Labor Day)

Unità 1

First quiz on 8/30
Test on WED September 11
Unità 1 to be concluded on or before 9/13.

9/16 –10/4 Fall Break 10/14 – 10/18 Unità 2

Second quiz 9/20 Third quiz 10/2 Second test 10/16

10/18- 11/8 Unità 3Forth quiz 10/25
Fifth quiz 10/30
Third test 11/8

11/8 - 11/22/11/25

Unità 4

Happy Thanksgiving!

12/2-12/6

Grand review and practice

Possibly forth test as additional practice/credit and preparation for 12/12 @

Final exam Thursday, 12/12 at 1:30PM – Location to be announced

Grazie mille per la Sua cooperazione!
Wishing you a most rewarding and successful semester!

La professoressa