

SPRING 2022 CLASS SCHEDULE:

10 weeks courses: Mar. 29 to Jun. 20

5 weeks courses: **Session 1** – Mar. 29 to May 9

Session 2 – May 10 to Jun. 16 (see courses Sess. 2)

BEGINNERS

BEGINNERS 1 (A1)

For complete beginners

- Mon. 10:00am-12:00pm (online) Carlo Ellena
- Tue. 6:00-8:00pm (online) Claudio Pedone
- Mon. 6:30-8:30pm (Bethesda) Francesco Da Vala
- **Sess. 1:** Tue/Thu. 10am-12pm (Bethesda) TBD
- **Sess. 1:** Tue/Thu. 12-2pm (online) Antonella Pellegrino

BEGINNERS 2 (A1)

For students who already took Beginners 1 (A1) or studied Italian in the past and know the basics.

- Tue. 6:00-8:00pm (online) Carlo Ellena
- Wed. 10:00-12:00pm (online) * April 27-Jun. 29 Carlo Ellena
- Thu. 6:30-8:30pm (Bethesda) Federica Deigan
- Sat. 10:00am-12:00pm (Bethesda) Federica Deigan
- **Sess. 2:** Tue/Thu. 10am--12pm (Bethesda) TBD
- **Sess. 2:** Tue/Thu. 12-2pm (online) Antonella Pellegrino

BEGINNERS INTENSIVE (A1)

This course is for Spanish, Portuguese or French speakers or whoever has been exposed to Italian and would like to review basic grammar.

Mon. 6:00-8:00pm (online) Carlo Ellena

ELEMENTARY

ELEMENTARY 1 (A2)

For students who completed Beginners 1 and 2 (A1)

- Mon. 6:30-8:30pm (Bethesda) Cristina Rampulla
- Sat. 10:00am-12:00pm (Bethesda) TBD

ELEMENTARY 1 INTENSIVE (A2)

This course is for Spanish, Portuguese or French speakers or whoever has been exposed to Italian and would like to review basic grammar. Must have completed Beginners Intensive (A1).

Thu. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Carlo Ellena

ELEMENTARY 2 (A2)

- **Session 1:** Tue./Thu. 12-2:00pm (Bethesda) Laura Granata

- Wed. 6:30-8:30pm (with NIAF) (online) Carlo Ellena
- Thu. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Laura Loddo

ELEMENTARY 2 INTENSIVE (A2)

For students who completed Elementary 1 (A2) Intensive.

- Sat. 10:00am-12:00pm (online) Carlo Ellena

ELEMENTARY 3 (A2)

- **Session 1:** Mon./Wed. 10:00am-12:00pm (online) Cristina Rampulla
- **Session 2:** Tue./Thu. 12:00-2:00pm (Bethesda) Laura Granata

INTERMEDIATE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE (A2-B1)

- **Session 2:** Mon./Wed. 10:00am-12:00pm (online) Cristina Rampulla
- Wed. 6:30-8:30pm (with NIAF) (online) Laura Loddo

INTERMEDIATE 1 (B1)

Tue. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Laura Granata

INTERMEDIATE 3 (B2)

- Mon. 2:00-4:00pm (Bethesda) Laura Granata
- Tue. 12:30-2:30pm (online) Dario Penzo
- **Session 1** - Mon. 12:30-2:30pm & Thu. 12:30-1:30pm - Grammar on Mondays and conversation on Thursdays.
- **Session 2** – continuation of session 1 (online) Textbook: Nuovo Contatto B2 Valentina Ascitti

INTERMEDIATE 4 (B2)

- Mon. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Dario Penzo

PRE-ADVANCED (B2)

- Saturday 9:30-11:30am (online) Laura Loddo

VIAGGIO IN ITALIA (A2-B2) **NEW!**

Students will learn Italian through a "Grand Tour of Italy" discovering main cities, regions, history and historical characters, art, society, culture and pop culture. Speaking, reading and listening comprehension will be practiced in class. Grammar in context. A2-B2

Textbook: Nuovo Spazio Civiltà' - Loescher Editore
Mon. 2:30-4:30pm (online) Antonella Pellegrino

L'ITALIANO VIEN LEGGENDO (B1-C1) Session 1 & 2

Reading, discussing and analyzing articles from magazines, students will practice and improve their knowledge of the language and will learn more about nowadays Italy. Grammar review. Textbook: Via della grammatica. Drop-ins are welcome.

Tue. /Thu. 10:00-12:00pm (online) Antonella Pellegrino

LEGGERE L'ITALIA E GLI ITALIANI (B1-C1)

Reading Italy and the Italians through memoirs, creative non-fiction, journalistic books and short stories. Book: *Trame: a contemporary Italian reader*.

Wed. 11:30am-1:30pm (online) Nicoletta Nencioli

ITALY TODAY: READING, LISTENING AND CONVERSATION ON CURRENT EVENTS (A2-B2)

This intermediate level course includes grammar review in context.

Thu. 10:00-12:00pm (Bethesda) TBD

ITALIAN THROUGH CINEMA (B1-B2)

I Vitelloni by Federico Fellini. Intermediate conversation class.
Tue. 6:30-8:30pm (Bethesda) Federica Deigan

PRE-ADVANCED GRAMMAR & CONVERSATION (B2-C1)

Fri. 10:00am–12:00 pm (Bethesda) Sofia Caligiuri

ADVANCED

DAYTIME CLASSES:

ADV. GRAMMAR REVIEW & CONVERSATION (C1-C2)

Textbook: Nuovo Contatto C1-C2
Mon. 10:00am – 12:00pm (Bethesda/hybrid) Cristiana Fabiani

LIVE FROM ITALY: ADVANCED CONVERSATION & WRITING (B2-C2)

Learn Italian daily news, lifestyle & culture through news media. Intermediate/advanced conversation and writing with Italian journalist and teacher.
Thu. 3:45-5:45pm (online) Claudio Pedone

FREEDOM AT THE TIME OF DEATH IN BOCCACCIO'S DECAMERON (C1-C2) (Also for Italians)

Who really was Giovanni Boccaccio, the third crown of Florence? This course investigates the concept of freedom at the time of the black death within a framework of rebuilding an ideal of civility through storytelling. It will present an in-depth analysis of the political and social culture of the Middle Ages between Florence and Naples as well as a study of Boccaccio's main work: the Decameron.
Tue. 10:00am-12:00pm (Bethesda/hybrid) Annelise Brody

ORTOPEIA, ARTICOLAZIONE & DIZIONE (B2-C1) **NEW!**

The main objective of this course is to learn to pronounce words correctly in Italian.
Thu. 10:00-11:30am (Bethesda) Sofia Caligiuri

ITALIAN CINEMA (B2-C2) (Also for Italians)

This course will focus on Federico Fellini, with an eye to the

socio-cultural aspects of Italy portrayed in his classical movies. Students will watch one movie per week while in class we will analyze video clips of the same movie.

Fri. 11:00am-12:30pm (Hybrid) Annelise Brody

ALLA RICERCA DEI TESORI D'ITALIA (B2-C1)

Discovering Italy's treasures through reading comprehension, conversation and grammar review. Textbook: *Caccia ai tesori* (Loescher editore)
Mon. 10:00am–12:00pm (Bethesda) Valentina Ascitti

ITALIAN BOOK CLUB (B2-C1)

Continuation of "La mia casa è dove sono" by Igiaba Scego. Lettura, analisi, conversazione e un pizzico di grammatica.

Thu. 10:30am–12:00pm (Bethesda) Valentina Ascitti

ITALIAN THROUGH LITERATURE (B2-C2) - Sess. 1 & 2

Reading, discussing and analyzing articles and excerpts from Italian prose, drama and poetry, students will practice and improve their knowledge of the language. Textbook: *Le vie Dorati* (Loescher editore).

Mon./Wed. 10:00–12:00pm (Bethesda) Dario Penzo

ADVANCED CONVERSATION, READING & GRAMMAR REVIEW (C1-C2) Session 1 & 2

Advanced conversation and reading: "L'isola di Arturo" by Elsa Morante. In-depth review of grammar and syntax with materials provided by the teacher.

Tue/Thu. 10:00am-12:00pm (Bethesda/hybrid) Cristiana Fabiani

NARRATIVA CLASSICA E CONTEMPORANEA (C1-C2) Session 1 & 2

(Book club - excellent fluency required). Session 1 and 2: "Amadeo Peter Giannini, Il banchiere galantuomo" by Giorgio Chiarva.

Mon./Wed. 10:00–12:00pm (online) Antonella Pellegrino

EVENING CLASSES (6:30-8:30pm):

ADVANCED GRAMMAR REVIEW & CONVERSATION (B2-C1)

- Tue. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Dario Penzo
 - Wed. 4:00-6:00pm (online) Dario Penzo
- Textbook: *Caleidoscopio Italiano* (Loescher editore)

ISOLE INTORNO ALLA PIU' BELLA PENISOLA DEL MONDO (B1-C1) – terza parte

Learn about the islands around the most beautiful peninsula in the world: Eolie, Egadi e Tremiti. Listening, reading and advanced conversation with grammar review.

Mon. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Silvana De Luca

[ISOLE INTORNO ALLA PIU' BELLA PENISOLA DEL MONDO \(B1-B2\) – prima parte](#)

Learn about the islands around the most beautiful peninsula in the world: Isole Borromee, Arcipelago Toscano, Isole Pontine, Arcipelago della Maddalena. Listening, reading and advanced conversation with grammar review.
Tue. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Silvana De Luca

[ISOLE INTORNO ALLA PIU' BELLA PENISOLA DEL MONDO \(B1-C1\) – seconda parte](#)

Learn about the islands around the most beautiful peninsula in the world: Arcipelago del Sulci, Capri, Ischia. Listening, reading and advanced conversation with grammar review.
Thu. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Silvana De Luca

SATURDAY CLASSES:

[BEGINNERS 2 \(A1\)](#)

For students who completed Beginners 1 or already know the basics.
Sat. 10:00-12:00pm (Bethesda) Federica Deigan

[ELEMENTARY 1 \(A2\)](#)

Sat. 10:00am-12:00pm (Bethesda) TBD

[ELEMENTARY 2 INTENSIVE \(A2\)](#)

For students who completed Elementary 1 (A2) Intensive.
Sat. 10:00am-12:00pm (online) Carlo Ellena

[INTERMEDIATE GRAM. & CONVERSATION \(B1-B2\)](#)

This course uses Via della Grammatica to review grammar at the intermediate level.
12:00-2:00pm (online) Sofia Caligiuri

[PRE-ADVANCED \(B2\)](#)

Saturday 9:30-11:30am (online) Laura Loddo

[ADVANCED CONVERSATION, SELECTED READINGS AND CULINARY DISCOVERY \(B2-C1\)](#)

Materials (articles, short stories..) will be provided by instructor.
10:00am-12:00pm (Hybrid) Cristiana Fabiani

LUNCH CONVERSATION

[ELEMENTARY LEVEL ITALIAN \(A2\)](#)

A2 level Italian practice at an easy pace, focused on conversation with some grammar.
Mon. 10:45-11:45am (Bethesda) Cristina Rampulla

[L'ITALIA, PARLIAMONE \(B1\)](#)

For Intermediate students who are eager to practice their communication skills but don't have the tools to work on complicated texts yet. We will read and analyze articles on different cultural aspects in its broadest term.
Wed. 12:15-1:15pm (online) Valentina Ascitti

[INTERMEDIATE LEVEL CONVERSATION \(B1-B2\)](#)

Tue. 12:15-1:15pm (online) Antonella Pellegrino

[L'ITALIA E' CULTURA \(B1-C1\)](#)

Una panoramica di Storia, Arte, Letteratura, Geografia, Musica/Cinema/Teatro dall'Italia antica ai giorni nostri.
Thu. 12:15-1:15pm (Bethesda) TBD

[PRE-ADVANCED LEVEL CONVERSATION \(B2-C1\)](#)

Mon. 12:15-1:45pm (Bethesda) Cristiana Fabiani

[ADVANCED LEVEL CONVERSATION \(C1-C2\)](#)

Mon. 12:15-1:15pm (Bethesda) Sofia Caligiuri

SPECIAL COURSES & COURSES IN ENGLISH

[COOKING CLASSES \(See also Cooking at your home\)](#)

Learn the secrets of authentic Italian cuisine from your home, with an Italian cooking teacher with a passion for food. Minimum 3 participants. (in Italian/English)
Session 1: Sat., Mar. 26 (online) 4-6pm Simo's Kitchen
Session 2: Sat., Apr. 9 (private home) 11am-2pm Chef Lina
Session 3: TBD

[TANGO HAPPY HOUR](#)

Learn the first steps and the fundamentals of tango dancing.
Bethesda (5 weeks); drop-ins are possible
Thu. 6:00-7:30pm Annelise Brody, Marcelo Gutierrez

[THE ART FORM OF DANCING TANGO](#)

This advanced class is for students who have already mastered the fundamentals and wish to dive deeper in the dance as an art form, on how to interpret and express the music as well as to improve the quality of the movements and the interaction with their partner.
Bethesda (5 weeks); drop-ins are possible
Thu. 8:00-9:30pm Annelise Brody, Marcelo Gutierrez

[DISCOVER VENETO: history and folklore](#) (in English)

Venice, from swampy refugee islands to the Most Serene Republic that controlled the Mediterranean. An

introductory course to discover its millennia of history, art, culture and unknown treasures of one of the most visited regions of Italy. 3 weeks: May 20-27; June 3
Fri. 12:00-2:30pm (Bethesda/online) Dario Penzo

[DISCOVER EMILIA ROMAGNA](#) (in English)

Emilia Romagna is rightly defined the region capital of Italian food. Yet there is a lot more than food to explore, from the magnificent mosaics of Ravenna to the oldest university in Europe in Bologna. This course will offer you a sample of visit worthy sites, famous people of Emilia Romagna from Ferrari to Fellini, as well as authentic samples of its world-renowned cuisine to be tasted in class.
Summer term: 3 weeks: Aug. 12-19-26
Fri. 5:30-8:00pm (Bethesda) Annelise Brody

[DISCOVER LIGURIA: history, food, and wine](#)

An insider's experience through the Italian Riviera to learn and enjoy the secret riches and the authentic traditions of historic Genoa and the pearls of nature that surround it. The virtual journey is also focused on the historic and geographic reasons that determined the variety of regional Italian food. (Italian/English)
3 weeks: May 21-28; June 4
Sat. 12:30-2:30pm (online) Carlo Ellena

[DISCOVER SARDEGNA](#) (in English)

You will learn the geography, history, traditions, food and more of one of the most breath-taking destinations in the world: Sardinia! Get the tools you need to be an insider rather than just a tourist. 3 weeks: May 17-24-31
Tue. 6:30-8:30pm (online) Laura Loddo

[LATIN](#)

Learn the basics of the Latin language and Roman History. Fundamentals of grammar and syntax will be studied, and emphasis will be given to Latin as a source of linguistic performance in other languages, particularly English and Italian. For Teens/Adults (in English).
Latin- Beginners 1: Tue. 5:30-7:00pm (online) Annelise Brody
Latin- Beginners 3: Tue. 5:30-7:00pm (online) Luigi De Luca
Latin- Interm. 2: Mon. 5:30-7:00pm (online) Annelise Brody

[YOGA IN ITALIAN](#)

This 10-week yoga course will help whip you into shape while lengthening your muscles, improving your balance and your strength. Classes will cover vinyasa yoga flow, yoga fusion, yoga sculpt, kundalini yoga, ashtanga yoga, ying yoga and restorative yoga. Drop-ins are available.
Fri. 9:00-10:00am (Bethesda/hybrid) Annelise Brody



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In person-hybrid-online

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