



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
Department of French, Hispanic & Italian Studies

ITALIAN STUDIES AT UBC



WHY STUDY ITALIAN?

- Italy is a world leader in fields such as fashion, graphic design, interior design and the culinary arts.
- Italy is a country with an extremely rich cultural history whose legacy in music, architecture, arts, and philosophy are well recognized around the world. In fact, over 60% of the world's heritage sites are found in Italy!
- Students will develop Italian language skills and/or explore Italian literature and culture in a global context.



SUBJECT MATTER

- **Language courses (ITAL)**
 - From beginner to advanced levels
- **Literature and culture courses (ITST)**
 - Italian colonialism, fascism, neorealism
 - Italian cinema and contemporary literature
 - Food cultures of Italy
 - Gender and society in Italy
 - Dante's Divine Comedy
 - Literary and visual cultures in medieval and early modern Italy
 - Italian culture and the environment
 - Migrations in/out of/to Italy and relations between Italy and China



LANGUAGE



LITERATURE



CULTURE



ITALIAN MINOR

- **12 credits:** ITAL 101, 102, 201, 202
- **18 credits** from any 300-level or 400-level courses in ITAL or ITST (excluding ITAL 342).

The Italian Minor aims at projecting the study of language and culture onto a multidisciplinary curriculum that reflects the diversity of the world around us.



BEGINNERS' ITALIAN

ITAL 101 & 102

Offered Summer 2022

Introduction to the essentials of Italian vocabulary, expressions, grammar and cultural life. Focus on listening, reading, speaking and writing skills in everyday situations in the present tense.

STUDENT PROJECT EXAMPLE

Video: <https://fhis.ubc.ca/news/virtual-tour-a-contemporary-visual-celebration-of-dantes-divina-commedia/>



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Consulate General of Italy
Vancouver

FACULTY MEMBERS

Get to know the Italian
Program faculty members
and their specializations
by visiting:

fhis.ubc.ca/people



YOUR PEERS

Hear the story of Chavah
Avraham, our Italian Student
Undergraduate Representative!



CAREERS

You will develop **transferable skills**—including language proficiency, critical thinking, problem solving, international know-how, cultural awareness, research skills, and communication skills—which can be applied to a **variety of careers**.

- Government & politics
- Foreign or public service
- Translation
- Teaching, academia, research
- Tourism
- Non-profits & humanitarianism
- Journalism
- Law
- Business & project management
- HR management
- Public relations
- Cultural organizations

CAREERS

How can language, literature, and cultural studies boost your career? Find out:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OBF51yMAdZo>

STUDY ABROAD

UBC Go Global



“Studying in Italy was the best decision I have ever made in my undergraduate experience.”

Thao Atkinson
Undergraduate Student

students.ubc.ca/about-student-services/go-global

ITALIAN SCHOLARSHIPS

C.A. Stuart DeVitt Memorial Scholarship

- For students specializing in Italian Studies
- Endowed by: C. Jane DeVitt

Italian Scholarship

- For students specializing in Italian Studies
- Endowed by: Department of French, Hispanic and Italian Studies

Rachel Giese Memorial Scholarship

- For students of Italian descent
- Endowed by: The Dante Alighieri Society of BC

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ITALIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION



“Learning about new cultures breaks our usual patterns of thinking and triggers curiosity.”

Dr. Elena Zampieri

Visiting Lettore of Italian at UBC

Celebrate Italian culture, history and tradition through student-led cultural events and movie nights on campus.

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LEARNING CENTRE

FHIS Learning Centre
fhis.ubc.ca/learning-centre

Need extra help with
your Italian? Visit the
Learning Centre for
**free tutoring and
conversation practice.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

FHIS Career Workshop

Date: March 31 (Thursday)

Time: 4:00-5:00 PM

Location: Zoom

Learn how you can strategically package your skills learned from Italian Studies to launch your career.

Latin Dance Education & Wellness Workshop

Date: April 8 (Friday)

Time: 4:00-6:00 PM

Location: TBA (in-person)

Learn the history and basic dance moves of Latin dances such as salsa at this intercultural education and wellness event with FHIS Alumnus Julio Montero!

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ADVISING



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