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Learn Italian in Italy

Since 1981 we have offered students the opportunity to learn Italian in one of the most beautiful parts of Tuscany



Our school is open all year round in **Pisa**, a University town, famous for the Leaning Tower and the Miracle Square.

From June to September it is possible to attend our courses in **Viareggio**, a typical seaside town well known for its pine-woods and nightlife.

Our school is recognized by the Italian Ministry of Education, the Swedish CSN, German educational holiday programme (Bildungsurlaub) and is member of the associations ASILS and Eduitalia.

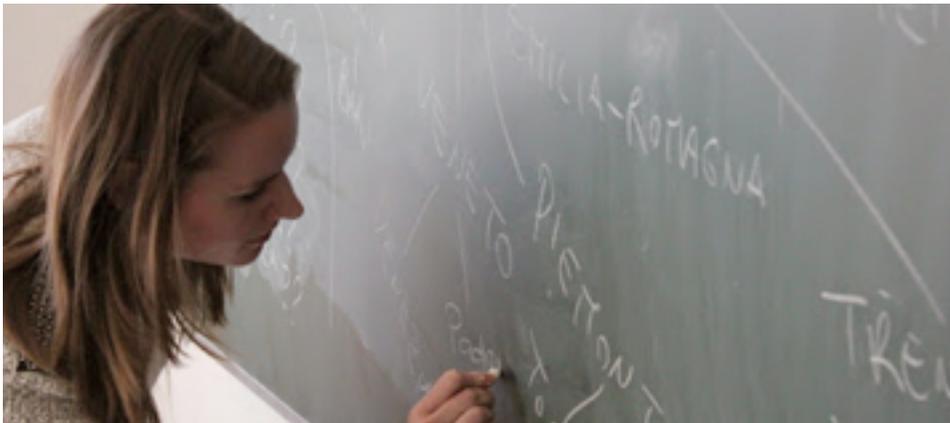
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# Our Method

The teaching method is structured to facilitate the development of communicative ability without neglecting the study of the grammatical structures. The teaching material is produced by our institute, but is supported with extra resources depending on the teachers choice evaluation in order to meet the needs of the class.

Upon request, once a week a teacher can have OFFICE HOURS for any additional explanations or clarifications relating to the part of the syllabus taught during the lessons.



## Our Italian Language courses

On the first day of a course each student is carefully assessed with a placement test so as to place him or her in a group that is suited to his/her knowledge of the Italian language.

The groups of students are on average small (6-7 students) with a maximum of 12 students per class.

The courses are organized by levels according to the Common European Framework for Languages.

## OUR COURSES IN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

<b>General course “GA”</b>	<p>This course combines the teaching of grammatical and structural aspects of the language with activities for the development of communicative skills. The course also provides elements of Italian culture. This course is held in Pisa and consists of 20 group lessons a week, 4 lessons a day</p>
<b>Holiday course “GV”</b>	<p>It is mainly oriented towards developing conversational skills, without neglecting Italian grammar and culture. The course is held in Viareggio with 20 group lessons a week, 4 lessons a day</p>
<b>Intensive course “GB”</b>	<p>This course essentially covers the same syllabus as the General course and Holiday course but with a larger number of hours. Added to the 4 hours of lessons during the morning are 2 hours of group conversation in the afternoon. The course which is held in both Pisa and Viareggio, consists of 30 group lessons a week, 6 lessons a day.</p>
<b>Individual courses “IC”</b>	<p>It is individualised, for those who need to make maximum use of the short periods available, with a personalized syllabus according to specific work and study needs. The course is held in Pisa and Viareggio. 20/30/40 lessons a week, 4/6/8 lessons a day. Meeting Times: to be chosen by the student. Starting date: open.</p>
<b>Individual courses with lunch with the teacher “IP”</b>	<p>This course takes place in the same way as the other individual courses except that each day two hours of conversation are held at a restaurant or pizzeria. The course is held in Pisa and Viareggio 20/30/40 lessons a week, 4/6/8 lessons a day. Meeting Times: to be chosen by the student. Starting date: open.</p>
<b>Mini-intensive course “MI”</b>	<p>It is suitable for those who wish to complete a specific course of study in a short time, but prefer to occupy the afternoon with only one hour of lessons. Like the Super-intensive course, they are group lessons combined with individual lessons, depending on student's interest (e.g. professional lesson focusing on a specific area or preparation for a university exam in Italian.) The course is held in Pisa and Viareggio. 25 lessons a week (20 group + 5 individual hours a week), 5 lessons a day.</p>
<b>Super-intensive course “SI”</b>	<p>It is suitable for those who wish to complete a specific programme of studies in a short time. The group lessons help to develop general language skills, while the individual lessons can deal with subjects of particular interest to the student, such as topics relating to a profession or for preparation for an university exam in Italian. The course is held in Pisa and Viareggio. 30 lessons a week (20 group hours and 10 individual hours a week), 6 lessons a day.</p>
<b>Preparatory course for the CILS exam. “P/CILS”</b>	<p>This course is specifically geared to prepare the students for the CILS examination of the University for Foreigners of Siena. The group lessons help to develop general language skills according to the CILS exam program (according to the Common European Framework for Languages contents). During the individual lessons there are practice sessions using CILS tests and the areas in which the student is deficient are studied more in depth.</p>

# Long Term Course “LT”

This course is suitable for University students wishing to spend a Spring Break, Winter Break, Summer, Winter, Semester or Academic Year studying Italian Language and Culture in Pisa.

This Long Term course is designed for people aiming to achieve a high level of Italian language but it is open to students of all levels, from beginners to almost fluent.

This is an opportunity for the students to improve their Italian within the Italian lifestyle.



You can choose from a wide variety of classes: Italian Language, culture, history of art, cooking, fashion, internship. Various trips and activities are included in the price of this affordable program.

All the books and materials are included in the price, as well as numerous activities and short trips. There are no hidden fees.



## Preparation Course for the admission exam to Italian Universities

Preparatory courses for admission to the faculties of Medicine and Surgery, Veterinary Science, Pharmacy, Engineering, Biology and Chemistry.

These courses of long duration (2-6 months) include lessons in Italian language and lessons on scientific subjects (Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics).

For detailed information contact the Secretary at [info@ilm.it](mailto:info@ilm.it) or visit the web site [www.ilm.it](http://www.ilm.it).

The courses held in Pisa.



## Internship program

Throughout the year you can follow a program of internships in Italian companies taking advantage of the skills acquired by students during their training in the country of origin.

This experience allows the student to both practice the Italian language in an everyday context and to acquire skills in the workplace.

The professional fields are varied and students should send their C.V. with the application to participate.

All Internship requests should be send directly to the school office at [info@ilm.it](mailto:info@ilm.it), explaining what kind of experience they would like to have in Italian companies.

It requires a medium level of knowledge of Italian language. The internship program can be followed only after an Italian language course of at least 4 weeks.

For internship the minimum course length is 8 weeks.



# Special Courses

## Culinary Course “COK”

The aim is the practical learning of the basic principles of Italian cooking such as pasta, pizza and Tiramisù. The course is also a nice opportunity for socializing and it is concluded with a dinner consisting of what has been prepared and some wine.



## Course in History of Art “SAP”

This course is directed at people who are interested in Art History and want basic knowledge on monuments and works of Art in Tuscany. It is theoretical and entails the use of slides.

This course is not suitable for absolute beginners. The course is held in Pisa and Viareggio and consists in 4 group lessons a week.



## Wine tasting course. “VT”

This is a practical course offering a basic knowledge and criteria to select the most important and well-known Tuscan wines and their matching Italian dishes.

The course takes place both in Pisa and Viareggio.  
Length: 1 week, with 2 lessons of about 2 hours each in the afternoon.



## 50+ Wine and Art “C50”.

We have prepared a ‘light’ study programme of the Italian language focusing on conversation and enriched with cultural activities centred around the two principal aspects of Tuscan culture: Art and Wine.

There will be Italian lessons in the morning (except on Wednesdays) while in the afternoons there will be trips to local places of interest, or wine tastings and the opportunity to taste local delicacies.

Other trips include the Piazza dei Miracoli and the Leaning Tower, wine and oil tasting, a trip to the nearby city of Lucca and a gastronomical tour of Florence with a visit to an historical Florentine enoteca.



# CILS e DITALS



## Certificates

A certificate of attendance is issued to each participant at the end of the course. For those who have attended a course lasting at least 4 weeks it will be possible to take an optional exam, both written and oral, to obtain the ILM certificate, containing an end-of-course evaluation (exam fee: Euro 30,00). Our school is also a recognized centre for preparation and examination for the **CILS** certificate and **DITALS** certificate of the University for Foreigners of Siena.



# Free Time

The school organizes trips, usually with the guidance of our teachers and provides information about various musical and cultural events that take place during the year.

Student can also participate in weekly activities organized by the school:

- Happy Hours with teachers
- Lunches and dinner in typical italian restaurants
- Theme Parties
- Football matches
- Bike-tours

**Join us and discover the real taste of Italy!**



# Accommodation

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Our secretary offers free and complete assistance to all students regularly enrolled in the search and reservation of accommodation requested.

Our accommodation is carefully selected from what is available on the market. Generally, given our policy of keeping costs down, our accommodation is of medium standard, but such as to guarantee our students a pleasant stay.

A higher standard of accommodation can be provided on request.

The accommodation options provided are:

**1.** Single or double room in flat with use of kitchen and bathroom.

Very often in Pisa, though not always, there is an Italian in these flats who is responsible for the running of the flat. In Viareggio the flats are normally shared only with other students of the school.

**2.** Single or double room with family with breakfast or half-board.

You will be given hospitality by families or single ladies who will introduce you to genuine Italian cooking as well as our way of life.

**3.** Independent flat on request.

**4.** Hotel or boarding-house Our secretary can book a room in a Hotel or Boarding House. Both in Pisa and in Viareggio the school has special prices at three-star hotels, but can also find rooms of a different standard on request.

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# Services

## WI-FI

In the school there is a free wi-fi connection.



## Transportation services

The airport in Pisa is close to the city centre and is connected by buses to the central station in Pisa.

On request, a transportation service is provided to and from Pisa/Florence airport or main train stations to the accommodation place.

This service must be requested at least one week before the arrival date.

## VISA PROCEDURE

Our school has experience in VISA STUDENT application procedure and can help you in making the right steps getting a VISA



# PISA

## *The City of Andrea Bocelli and Galileo Galilei near the sea and connected to the whole world*

Pisa is a University City of great historical and cultural interest, in the heart of Tuscany, Pisa can be considered as an ideal place to study Italian. In addition to the famous Leaning Tower and the Miracles Square, it is home to many other works of art that makes it one of the most interesting cities in Tuscany.

Pisa is characterized by an intense cultural life throughout the year, also during the month of June numerous folk events take place. The city is close to the sea and the natural park of Migliarino Massaciuccoli –San Rossore, one of the largest national parks in Italy.

### **Pisa airport**

The Pisa Airport is served by 15 airlines operating a network of 77 destinations and 421 frequent weekly flights. (As of Summer 2013)

Thanks to domestic and international airlines it is possible to reach Pisa from a large number of European destinations and extra-European destinations. Alitalia and main airlines companies connect Rome to Pisa but there is also a large number of Low Cost companies that offer flights to Pisa.

Visit the website for more detailed.

[www.pisa-airport.com](http://www.pisa-airport.com)

### **The courses**

*Each lesson lasts 45 minutes*

#### ***The following courses are held in Pisa:***

- General course “**GA**”
- Intensive course “**GB**”
- Individual courses “**IC**”
- Individual courses with lunch with the teacher “**IP**”
- Mini-intensive course “**MI**”,
- Super-intensive course “**SI**”
- Long Term course “**LT**”
- Preparatory course for the CILS examination “**P/CILS**”
- Cookery course “**COK**”
- Course in Art History “**SAP**”
- Wine-tasting course “**VT**”
- 50+ Wine and Art “**C50**”
- Preparatory courses for admission to the Italian Universities “**P/U**”



# VIAREGGIO

*An ideal town for fun by the sea*



Viareggio is considered one of the most famous seaside resorts of Versilia.

The small, quiet town is characterized by the Art Nouveau architecture, admired above all in the beautiful promenade of long white beaches that you can walk or cycle uninterruptedly for miles.

The **Apuan Alps** famous for their marble and the beautiful panorama are not distant. Viareggio is also known for the famous **Carnival**, one of the most famous in Italy, Viareggio is characterized by the many possibilities of entertainment.

For those who enjoy opera music there is the famous **Puccini festival** held during the summer in Torre del lago with the most important Italian and international opera singers.

Viareggio is just 12 Km from Forte dei Marmi and is easily accessible from Pisa with 15 minutes by train.



## The courses

*Each lesson of GV lasts 45 minutes. The one-to-one lessons last 45 minutes each.*

### ***In Viareggio the following courses are held:***

Holiday course "**GV**"

Intensive Course: "**GB**"

Individual courses "**IC**"

Individual courses with lunch with the teacher "**IP**"

Mini-intensive course "**MI**"

Super-intensive course "**SI**"

Preparatory course for the CILS examination "**P/CILS**"

Cookery course "**COK**"

Course in Art History "**SAP**"

Wine-tasting course "**VT**"

50+ Wine and Art "**C50**"

