

ITALIAN

| STATUS: | ELECTIVE SUBJECT | |
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| COURSE OUTLINE: | <p>Learning Italian extends, diversifies and enriches learners' thinking, and social and language development. It does this by teaching the skills to learn and adapt new concepts. It provides opportunities for students to better their command of English, as they become communicatively competent in Italian.</p> <p>The course aims to permit students to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Communicate and interact effectively within and across languages and cultures, and benefits all other subject areas: Music, History, Art, Geography and Science. ▪ Be inter-culturally literate and interact with others at the highest levels in speaking, listening, reading and writing. ▪ Understand the nature of language via analysing the linguistic system of Italian. ▪ Become skilled at the specific strategies required for the QCS exam through language-learning strategies; deconstructing text for meaning, reasoning, hypothesizing, evaluating and predicting outcomes. ▪ Recognise and appreciate linguistic and cultural diversity within Australia and globally; become a citizen of the world. ▪ Expand post-school options and meet the growing needs of business and industry for employees with language skills and intercultural understanding, thinking, problem solving, adaptability to change and negotiating abilities. <p>All students will study language and culture via theme based inquiry topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All about me, my friends, family and community life in Australia and in Italy ▪ Free-time, entertainment, and relationships ▪ The environment and its wellbeing in Australia and Italy ▪ Future plans – study, travel, overseas experiences, work ▪ The Australians and the Italians – festivals, celebrations, special occasions, cultural values and beliefs; our societies today <p>(***) Students who study a language to YR12, are given credit in the form of 2 bonus rank points for university entrance, over students who have not studied a language. This is in recognition of the capacity of LOTE students to reason, problem-solve and demonstrate flexible thinking. The majority of Queensland Universities adhere to this programme. Contact institutions for details on their Year 12 subject bonus schemes.</p> | |
| ASSESSMENT: | <p>Modes of assessment include the 4 essential communication skills of reading, listening, speaking and writing. These are developed, assessed, and weighted equally.</p> | |
| STUDY REQUIREMENTS: | <p>Study commitment per week: 1-2 hours minimum in revising and practising.</p> | |
| PREREQUISITE YEAR 10 SUBJECT | <p>Students wishing to take Senior Italian must have achieved at least a Sound Achievement in either Year 9 Italian or a B in English.</p> | |
| SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: | <p>Students must have access to the internet at home or at a local library. Students must also be able to borrow texts from the school library at all times.</p> | |
| POSSIBLE CAREER PATHWAYS: | <p>Possible careers include: Business, Economics and Law Education Communications: Journalism and Media Translating and Interpreting The Creative Industries: Performing Arts International Events Management Diplomacy and International Trade, Performing Arts All-levels Teaching, Journalism</p> | <p>Translating and Interpreting (UN) Customs Defence Forces The Australian Public Service Medical Sciences/Research Digital Media and Design Business, Hospitality Tourism, Import/Export</p> |