We offer a comprehensive undergraduate program in Italian language, literature, and culture. You can earn a BA with the Italian Option or add a Minor in Italian to your academic track. Majoring in Italian prepares you for careers in international business, architecture, art and art history, teaching, as well as graduate studies. You can choose to participate in our famed summer study abroad program in Florence, which offers courses for students at all levels of learning. Enrich your time at KU and set yourself up for an exciting career by adding Italian to your academic portfolio!
Undergraduate Degrees in Italian

Minor

Prerequisite: Successful completion of ITAL 240 or equivalent placement.

2 required courses:
ITAL 300 Composition and Conversation
ITAL 315 Advanced Composition and Conversation

4 Elective Courses:*
Students choose from among the courses already approved for the BA Option in Italian, one of which has to be an Italian Literature course.

*One approved 3-credit course offered by another department or program and with significant content related to Italian culture (300-500 level) may be counted toward the Italian minor

B.A. Option

Prerequisite: Successful completion of ITAL 240, or equivalent placement

2 Required Language and Culture Courses:
ITAL 300 Composition and Conversation
ITAL 315 Advanced Composition and Conversation

1 Required Literature Courses:
ITAL 301 Introduction to Italian Literature and Textual Analysis*

*ITAL 495 and/or ITAL 695 may be taken in place of ITAL 301 by permission of the Italian advisor

5 Elective Courses from the following*
ITAL 336 Italy and the Italians
ITAL 340 Studies in Italian Culture
ITAL 405 Italian Literature in Translation
ITAL 410 19th- and 20th-Century Short Stories
ITAL 420 19th- and 20th-Century Poetry
ITAL 430 Dante’s Masterpiece
ITAL 440 Italian Renaissance and Early Literature
ITAL 465 19th and 20th Century Novels I
ITAL 466 19th and 20th Century Novels II
ITAL 480 Studies in Italian Literature
ITAL 502 Dante’s Divine Comedy I
ITAL 503 Dante’s Divine Comedy II
ITAL 495 Directed Readings in Italian
ITAL 695 Studies in Italian Literature

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