

COURSE: ITALIAN 101: Elementary Italian I

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Introduces the grammar, syntax phonetics and practical communicative vocabulary of Italian. The course provides varied opportunities for students to develop speaking of Italian in reality based contextual situations.

RECOMMENDED TEXT: Denise De Rome, Italianissimo Level I: a Self-Guided Course for Beginning Italian, 1997. British Broadcasting Corporation National Textbook Company.

FORMAT: There are a total of **129 items** on the exam. Each item is worth 1 point. The test consists of several sections of fill in the blank and reading and interpreting information from images.

GRADING: Students must receive a “C” (73-76) in order to receive credit for a course taken as a Challenge Exam.

CONTENT:

- Present tense of regular “*are*” verbs.
- Irregular verbs such as: *essere, avere, fare* and *stare*.
- Idiomatic expressions using the verb *stare*.
- Numbers from 0 to 1,000,000
- Names of the days of the week and the months of the year.
- Formation of feminine and plural of adjectives.
- Ten forms of possessive adjectives.
- Use of definite and indefinite articles with nouns.
- Prepositions *a, in, di* and the contraction of the prepositions and *di* with the definite articles.
- Formation of questions need to be answered in a complete sentences, all words spelled correctly, all of the interrogative adverbs, such as *come, quando*, etc.