

## THE SCHOOL

**Ciao Italia** is a centre which specialises in teaching Italian to foreigners. It is a member of **EDUITALIA** (Organization representing the best schools teaching Italian as second language in Italy). It is a recognized **CELI** (Università per Stranieri di Perugia) and **PLIDA** (società Dante Alighieri) EXAMS CENTRE. The school has also been recognised for the **BILDUNGSURLAUB** by many German regions. Ciao Italia was founded by accredited teachers working in this field for more than 25 years.

The school is located in the historic centre of Rome, in the characteristic district of Monti, within walking distance of the Colosseum, the Fori, via Nazionale, the Central Railway Station and 2 Metro stops A/B.

**Ciao Italia** is open the whole year round and offers Italian courses for all levels from the beginners to advanced: group courses (maximum 12 students), individual teaching, business, art, cooking (not professional), painting.

On arrival, students take an entry test and are placed in classes according to their levels.

Director: **Dr. Silvia Agati Renato**

## METHODOLOGY AND LEVELS

The didactic methods used in **Ciao Italia** are the result of the director and teachers' extensive experience in the field. The relaxed and friendly atmosphere encourages quick and easy learning of the language. The teaching program is uniform. The teachers, all native speakers, are highly qualified in the teaching of Italian as a second language.

Each teacher uses a communicative approach with an analysis of the grammatical structures and the language of daily life.

Thanks to the teachers' professional approach and enthusiasm learning Italian will not only be **rewarding** but also **fun**.

A wide variety of up-to-date authentic material and the **Ciao Italia text book** are used in group work, role-play and other activities, allowing the student to be in control of his learning process.

The teaching structure follows the European Framework and breaks down into **5 levels**:

Level 1, for absolute **beginners** (A1) ;

Level 2, **elementary** (A2), for those who have some basic knowledge;

Level 3, **pre-intermediate** (B1), more complex sentences and terms;

Level 4, **intermediate** (B2), higher comprehension of spoken Italian, written and oral;

Level 5, **advanced** (C1/C2), for students who have a good knowledge of the language, both theoretical and practical. It deals with specific linguistic problems in the written and spoken language according to the students' need, and prepares students for the University entrance exam or the **CILS**, **CELI** and **PLIDA** certificates. A full mastery of Italian language is achieved.

## CLASSES

The students will study in small groups of 2/12 students of different nationalities with similar language levels. The small size of the classes guarantees particular attention as well as high quality of teaching.

Each lesson lasts **50 minutes**.

## THE COURSES

### • **Standard Courses Group - (S1, S2, S3, S4)**

4 hours per day or 3 hours per day (for 2 students), intensive course, from Monday to Friday, for a minimum of 2 weeks. Grammar plus conversation. In about six months time, the student will complete the programme, which will enable one to face the most varied communicative functions.

### • **Intensive Group Courses - (I2, I3, I4 - IA2, IA3, IA4)**

Super Intensive Group Course: Standard Course + 2 hours or 1 hour of individual lesson a day in the afternoon.

### • **Extensive Group Courses - (E2, E3)**

2 hours a day of grammar and conversation **twice a week** (E2) or **three times a week** (E3) for a minimum of 3 months (morning or evening).

### • **Conversation Group Courses - (C.C.)**

2 hours a day (10 hours per week), from 11.25 a.m. in the Standard class, for a minimum of 2 weeks. Current events, Italian culture, lifestyle, or other topics of interest will be examined during the lesson.

### • **Individual Lessons**

It is possible to start at any time during the year. Classes can also be held in other locations. Personalised courses are offered to companies and embassies. The course schedules are established with the secretary's office. (**Package discount on 10 hours minimum**).

### • **Courses via Skype**

Online individual lessons. For details and schedule contact the secretary office. (**Package discount on 10 hours minimum**).

### • **Special Courses - (S.C.)**

At the request of at least 4 students, 16/24 hours a month. The courses take place in the afternoon. A good knowledge of the Italian language is requested. (one-to-one courses are also available)

- **Italian for business**: specific vocabulary for professionals, business correspondence, contracts, etc.

- **CILS, CELI and PLIDA Exam Preparation**: 3-months course in March or September for exams taking place in June and December.

## OTHER COURSES (Prices and schedule at the secretary office):

• **Italian Art History**, theory lessons and guided tours in Rome.

• **Italian Opera singing and music**, individual or mini-group lessons: breathing technique, voice exercises, singing practice from famous Italian operas.

• **Cooking courses (not professional)**, 4 hours of theory/practice in a private house. Typical recipes, terminology and idioms. Small groups, and enjoy the meals together!

• **Vacation Course 1/2 Weeks for Small Groups**. Italian language lessons, guided tours to discover Rome, wine /food tasting with the teacher

## CERTIFICATES AND EXAMS

**Ciao Italia**, at the end of a course, issues an **Attendance Certificate**, also stating the **level of Italian**. On request, **Ciao Italia**, can also issue an **Enrollment Certificate**, only for the courses of at least 20 hours per week, which enables one to apply for a **study-visa**, upon advance payment. **Ciao Italia** is a center for preparation of the **CILS** Exams - Università per Stranieri di Siena, for the **CELI** Exams - Università for Stranieri di Perugia - and for **PLIDA** Certificate - Società Dante Alighieri, useful to obtain the study-visa. Upon request, **Ciao Italia** can organize individual lessons for the exams preparation.

## DISCOUNTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

**Ciao Italia** offers Scholarships to students coming from IIC all over the world, Italian Departments of Universities and EOI. It also offers discounts to Erasmus and Au-Pair students; it finally offers financial help to Bildungsurlaub and C.S.M. (Sweden) students.

## ACCOMMODATION

Upon request, **Ciao Italia** can provide accommodation for the length of the course; either in a family, in a shared flat, or in the hotel/residence. All rooms include use of the kitchen and the cost is from 200 Euro for minimum 1 week (6 nights). For longer stay periods see website.

## SOCIO-CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

**Ciao Italia** organises many, free of charge, activities: Italian movies, guided tours, parties, lunches with the teachers, as well as special prices for museum, theatres, opera, concerts, and sports-clubs. The **little library**, the **video library** and **internet** facilities are available for the students in the afternoon.



## CIAO ITALIA – Centro di lingua e cultura italiana

### REGISTRATION FORM:

First Name \_\_\_\_\_  F  M

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Place and date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. \_\_\_\_\_

Chosen Course \_\_\_\_\_ Starting date \_\_\_\_\_

Knowledge of Italian language :

none  basic  average  good

I have heard of CIAO ITALIA through \_\_\_\_\_

### ACCOMODATION:

None  Single room in shared apartment  Other

### COURSES AND PRICES 2019

Code	Weeks	Hours	€	Code	Weeks	Hours	€
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S1	1	20	195	I4	4	80-40	1670
S2	2	40	370	E2	12	48	450
S3	3	60	530	E3	12	72	615
S4	4	80	655	S.C.	4	16	195
Added week	1	20	160	C.C.	2 min.	20	205
S4	12	240	1530	Indiv.	-	1	35
S4	24	480	2870	Indiv.	-	10	335
IA2	2	40-10	660	Indiv.	-	20	635
IA3	3	60-15	950	Indiv.	-	30	900
IA4	4	80-20	1195				
I2	2	40-20	905				
I3	3	60-30	1315				

\* Each hour lesson lasts 50 minutes

### PAYMENT:

Cost of the course Euro \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee\* Euro 45

**Total** Euro \_\_\_\_\_

\*Includes: initial test and interview, course materials, certificate of attendance, internet and social activities.

Deposit Euro 200

### STANDARD/INTENSIVE COURSES DATES 2019

All levels		Except beginners	
7 <sup>th</sup> January	4 <sup>th</sup> February	21 <sup>st</sup> January	18 <sup>th</sup> February
4 <sup>th</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> April	18 <sup>th</sup> March	15 <sup>th</sup> April
29 <sup>th</sup> April	27 <sup>th</sup> May	13 <sup>th</sup> May	10 <sup>th</sup> June
1 <sup>st</sup> July	29 <sup>th</sup> July	15 <sup>th</sup> July	12 <sup>th</sup> August
26 <sup>th</sup> August	23 <sup>rd</sup> September	9 <sup>th</sup> September	7 <sup>th</sup> October
21 <sup>st</sup> October	18 <sup>th</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> December (S2 and S3 only)