



# ITAL 10100 2, ITAL 10100 2 - Beginning Elementary Italian I - Instructor(s): Leonardo Cabrini

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **6**

Number of Responses: **5**

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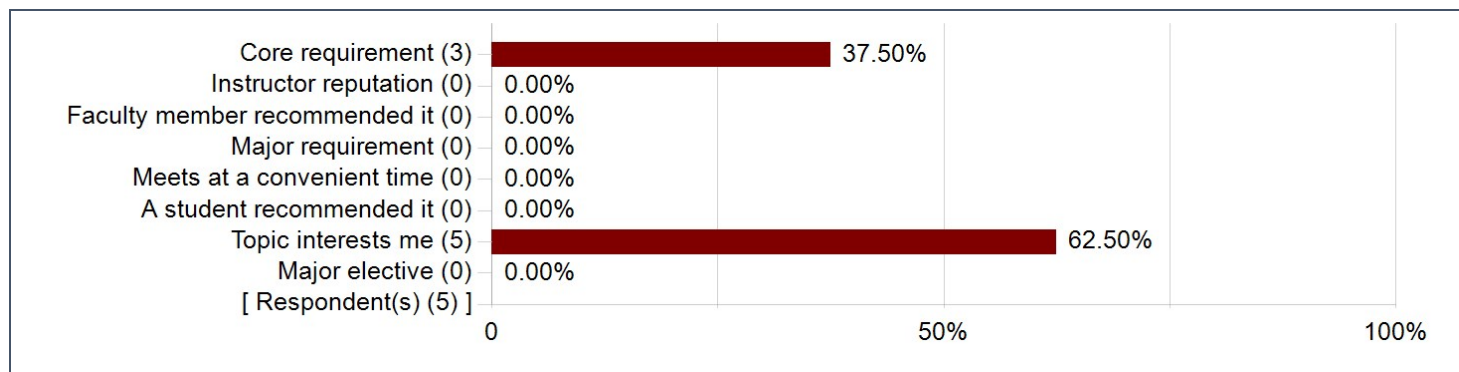
## Report Comments

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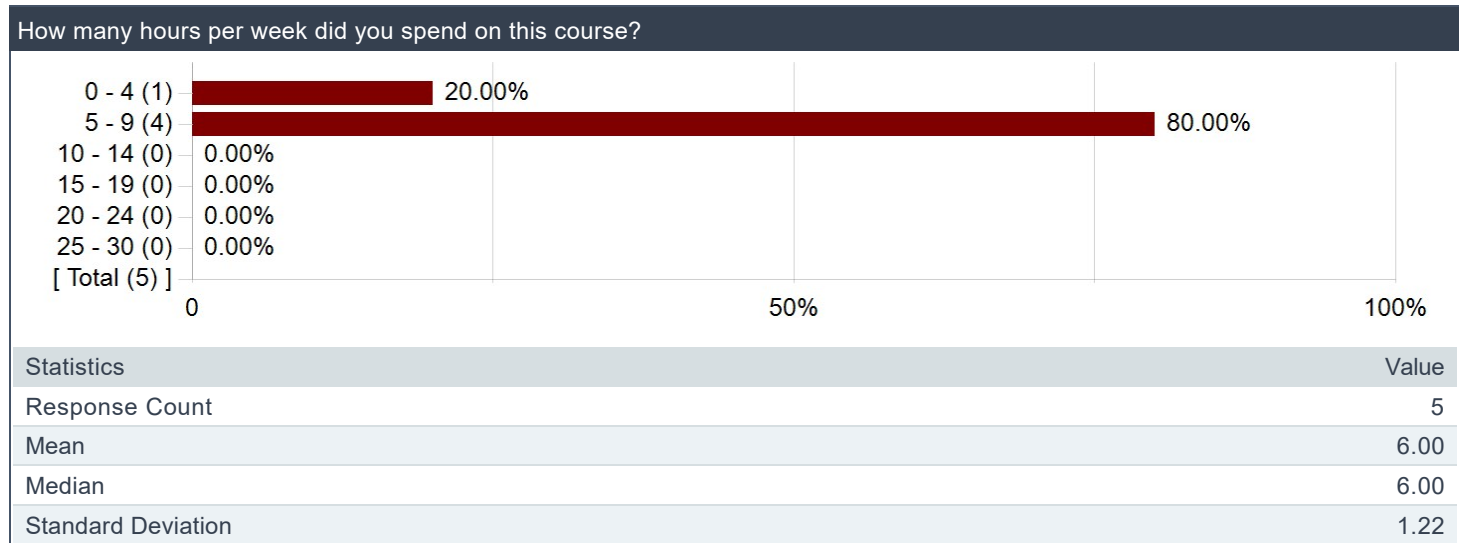
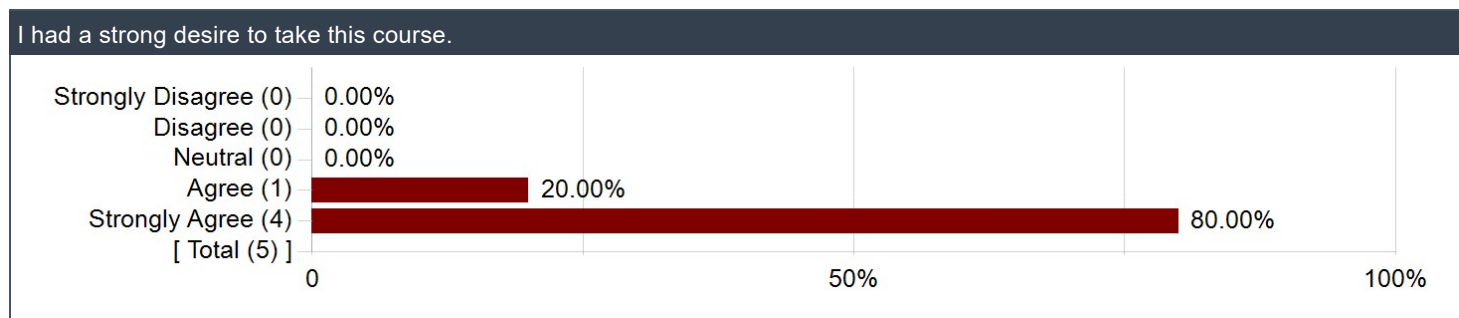
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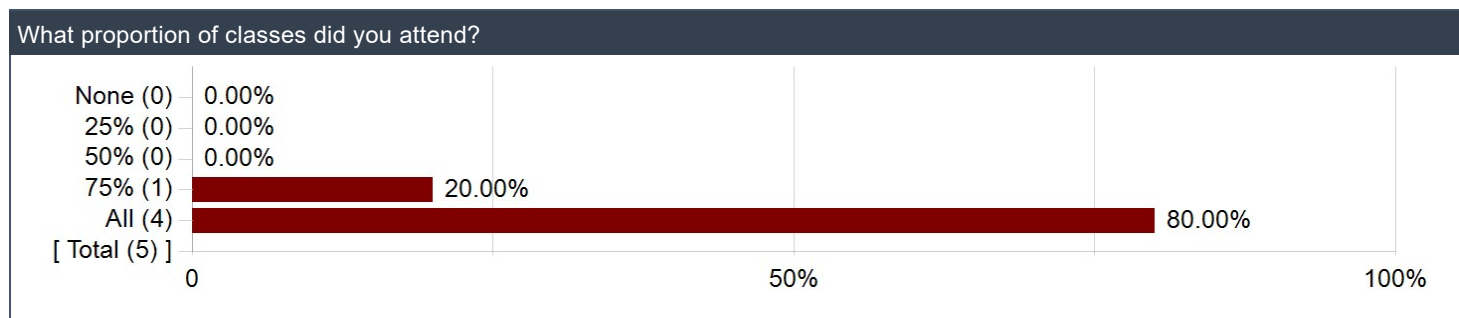
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



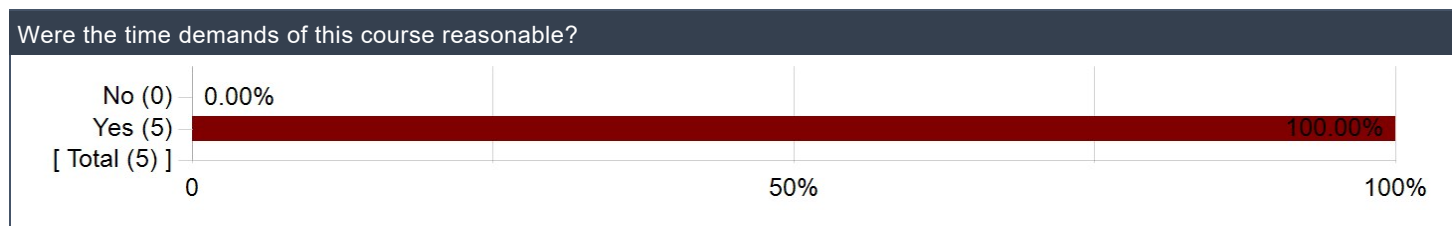
## I had a strong desire to take this course.



## What proportion of classes did you attend?



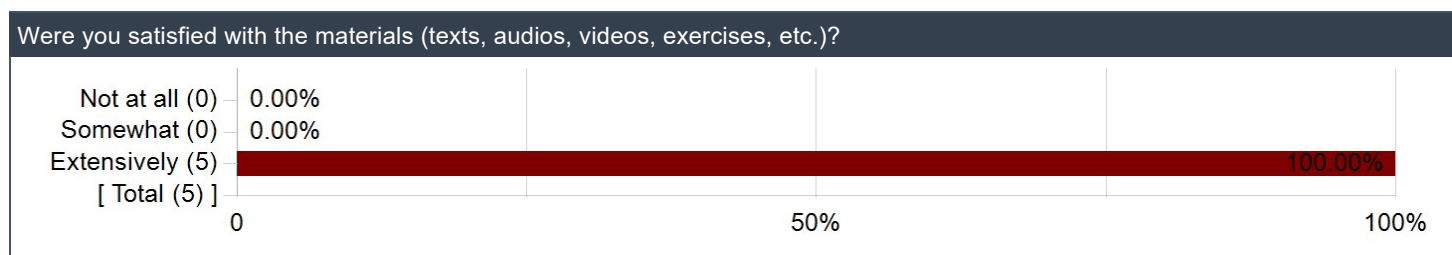
## Were the time demands of this course reasonable?



## Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	3.60	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	40.00%
Reading	3.20	4.00	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	20.00%
Writing	3.50	4.00	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	25.00%
Grammar	3.40	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%
Vocabulary	3.40	4.00	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	20.00%
Listening	3.00	3.00	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	20.00%

## Were you satisfied with the materials (texts, audios, videos, exercises, etc.)?



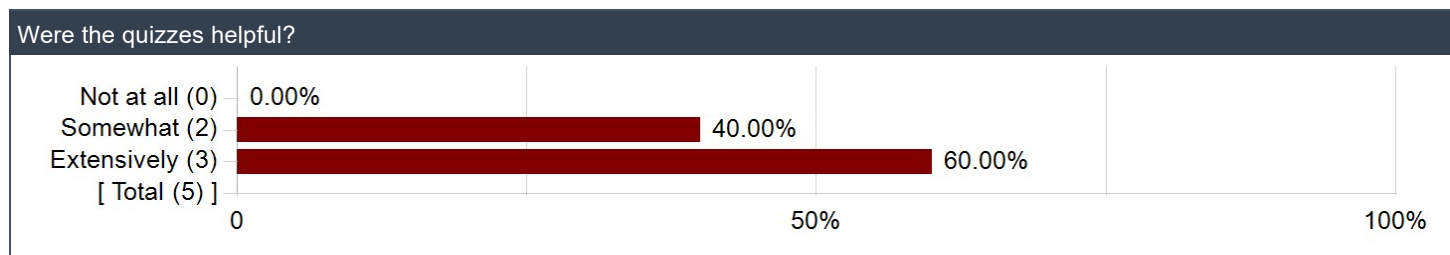
## Please explain:

Comments
The materials are appropriately on level for beginners (I had never taken Italian before and had very little romance language knowledge from high school Spanish). It's mostly very simplistic, but still challenging enough to grow over time and the work is not necessarily easy, but not too stressful.
Prof Cabrini structured our classes and the syllabus very well so that we covered all aspects of the language.
There were lots of different ways for us to practice (whether it was through a reading or a post assignment), so I felt that I was improving in all areas at once. It allowed me to understand the specific weeks topic more because I was able to practice it through all of the different materials.

## What did you learn about culture through language?

Comments
I've learned more about culture on a day-to-day basis than just big representative things such as holidays and main historical locations.
I learnt about italian customs and traditions as well as their arts scene.
We didn't deeply discuss Italian culture during this semester, but through Talk Abroad conversation's and insights that the professor would tell us, I was able to learn a bit. The college system in Italy is really interesting, especially how everyone is automatically placed in a college after high school. My experience was entirely different as colleges were way more selective.

## Were the quizzes helpful?



## How helpful were the various types of homework?

	Mean	Median	Not At All	Somewhat	Very	N/A
Reading	2.80	3.00	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%
Listening	3.00	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Writing	3.00	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Speaking	3.00	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

## If Discussion Board/Blog Tools were used in your course, how useful did you find them?

Comments
It was a good excuse to study more and practice speaking and reviewing grammar rules outside of class.
Yes they wer eused. I found them very helpful to reinforce parts of the language that I had learnt.
I enjoyed that we were able to see other's responses and comment on theirs. I especially learn a lot in pronunciation as hearing others talk helps me understand the topic more.

## How useful did you find the required out of class aural/oral activities (e.g. cultural activities, conversational practice, activities of your choice, films, etc.)?

Comments
It was helpful to get more practice speaking and listening outside of class. It's good for getting past the anxiety of potentially being wrong in class because you have practice with less pressure outside of the classroom.
I found them useful because it allowed me to learn more about italian culture.
I was able to complete three cultural activities and they were all really fun. It was cool to meet with people (some that were taking Italian as well, and some that just heard about it) and learn/experience something new. It was intimidating at first, especially the conversational practice's, but everyone was really kind and in the same boat.

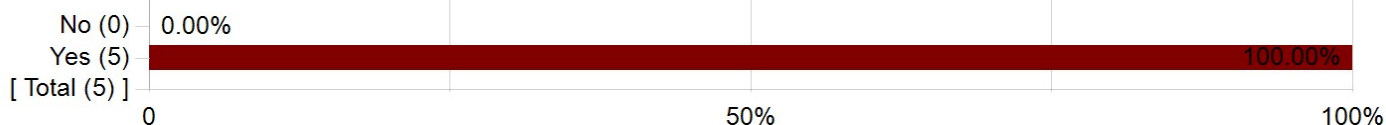
## The Instructor

Select one option for each statement (1 lowest - 5 highest):

	Mean	Median	1- Lowest	2	3	4	5- Highest
Rate your instructor's organizational skills	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to convey the subtleties of the language	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to encourage class conversation and participation in this language	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Rate your instructor's availability outside of class and willingness to help	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Rate feedback on assignments and exams	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

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### Comments

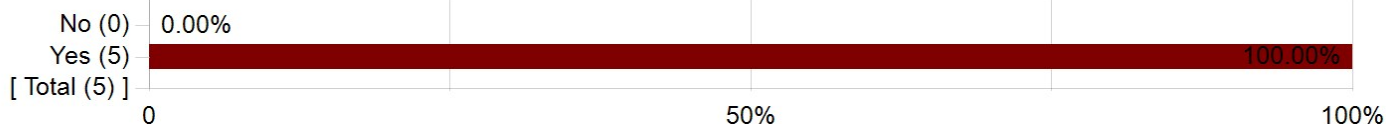
Leo is always very helpful with feedback and is kind and constructive when correcting mistakes both in person and when grading work. He is always quick to respond to emails and is just overall a great teacher who takes his time to help and make sure you understand.

I think that Prof Cabrini was a really amazing teacher. He was very good with his feedback on exercises so i knew exactly how I needed to improve at all times.

Professor Leo is really attentive and always responds to my emails and concerns. He creates a really good environment and makes the class super comfortable. Due to my schedule, my work is not always 100% or not I'm able to go to his office hours, but he doesn't look down on me and always encourages me. He's really understanding and patient!!

## Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?

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## How would you improve this course?

### Comments

n/a

I've struggled the most with the writing activities, so although they were difficult, I think having more writing activities would improve my skills even more.

## In what way?

### Comments

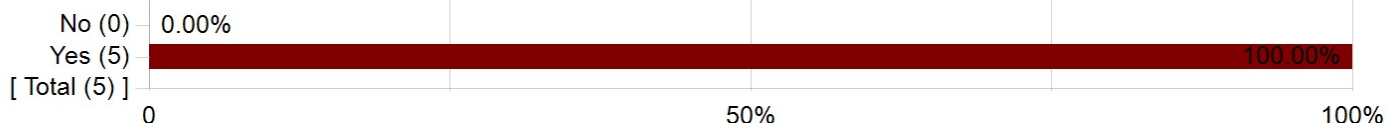
I knew very little before, but I am now confident in the basics of the language.

I had not done any italian before and now I feel as if I have a fgood understanding of parts of the language.

Spanish is my first language, but because I have lived in New York for the past 11 years, I have lost confidence in my speaking skills as I've tried to assimilate as much as possible. However, because of the similarities with the Italian language and Spanish, I was able to refresh my Spanish skills will also learning a new language.

## Would you recommend this class to another student?

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Why?

Comments
It's a fun class and a good way to learn a new language and get your required credit.
I think you learn a lot of italian very quickly and Prof cabrini was great.
Not only did I learn a lot, I had fun throughout the quarter and never felt too overwhelmed.