

ITAL 10200 4, ITAL 10200 4 - Beginning Elementary Italian II - Instructor(s): Sara Dallavalle

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Winter 2024

Number Enrolled: 8
Number of Responses: 6

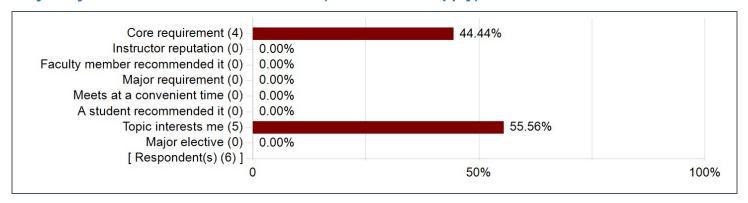
Report Comments

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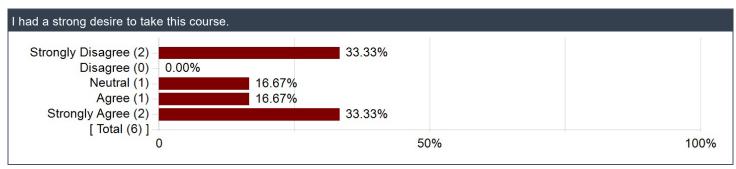
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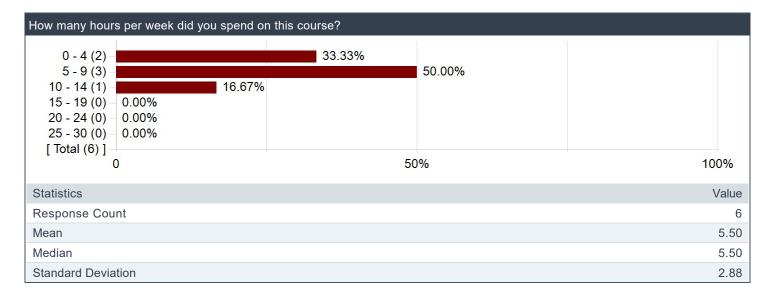


Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)

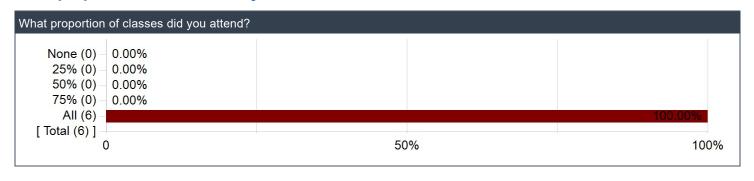


I had a strong desire to take this course.

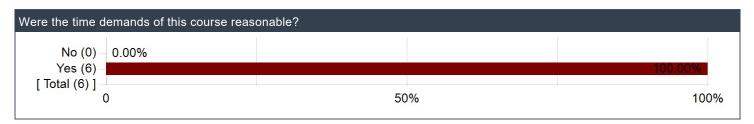




What proportion of classes did you attend?



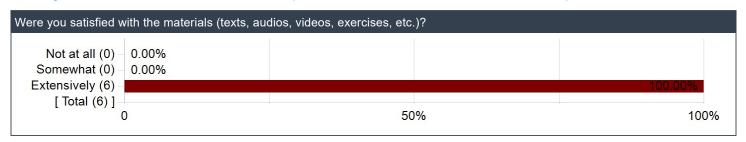
Were the time demands of this course reasonable?



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	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%
Reading	3.67	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	16.67%
Writing	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
Grammar	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
Vocabulary	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	33.33%
Listening	3.50	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%

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



Please explain:

Comments

Love the class, probably my favorite classes I've taken here. I hated taking a language in high school but this has been great. Sara is a fantastic instructor

I have learned a lot from this class an =d the nature of the materials definitely aided me in that

Good diversity and combination of different media types to practice engaging with; audio to listen to, articles to read, videos to watch and decipher

the supplemental assignments helped overall

All of the exercises we did were very engaging, interesting, and very fun.

I thought that the materials were wide-ranging and engaging and that overall I learnt a lot from them.

What did you learn about culture through language?

Comments

Cultural events are really fun. Other than that not much that I didn't already know since I'm Italian

I learned a lot about Italian culture through conversations with native speakers and lesson plans that revolved around the nature of Italy and Italians

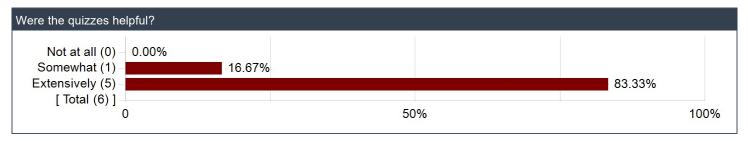
We learned about the foods of different regions, the traditions of different holidays, and a little about the Italian entertainment industry

holidays, family values, geographical landmarks, food, manners etc

Learning about culture was a big focus in the course. We learned a lot of Italian traditions and festivals in 10200, as well as different regions.

I learnt about general Italian culture such as festivals, food, family relations etc

Were the quizzes helpful?



How helpful were the various types of homework?

	Mean	Median	Not At All	Somewhat	Very	N/A
Reading	2.83	3.00	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Listening	2.67	3.00	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Writing	3.00	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Speaking	2.83	3.00	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%

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

Comments

Very useful! The video ones were good practice for listening comprehension

I liked them because they allowed me to formulate responses to others

They were not the MOST helpful activities but they kept us engaged on the weekends and asked us to write content about a culturally significant topic.

we did writing and video discussion posts, both were fine, but I felt the writing ones were slightly more helpful

The discussions were very helpful and fun. I got to interact with my classmates through discussions and learn more about them, all while using Italian.

I found them very helpful as I found writing to be a good way to combine my recently learnt grammar and vocabulary.

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

Very useful

I really liked them because I found them fun and they aided my learning

The talk abroads were far and away the most helpful out of class assignment / activity — you really have to exercise your conversational and listening abilities

the cultural activities were fun and a good way to learn about Italian culture

The Italian cultural activities are some of the highlights of the course. There are cooking nights, movie nights, music and more. The most fun is probably the cooking nights.

I found them less academically useful but I am still happy I did them as I found they gave me a breadth of knowledge but also more insight into Italian culture.

Other comments:

Comments

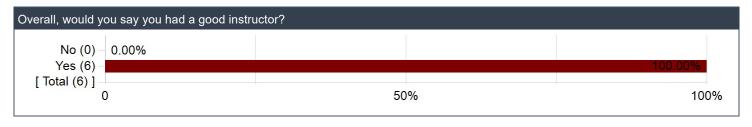
Highly recommend!

The Instructor

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

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	Mean	Median	Lowest	2	3	4	Highest
Rate your instructor's organizational skills	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
Rate your instructor's ability to convey the subtleties of the language	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
Rate your instructor's ability to encourage class conversation and participation in this language	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
Rate your instructor's availability outside of class and willingess to help	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Rate feedback on assignments and exams	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Please explain:

Comments

I really like the teaching style and I feel as if I have learned a lot in these past two quarters

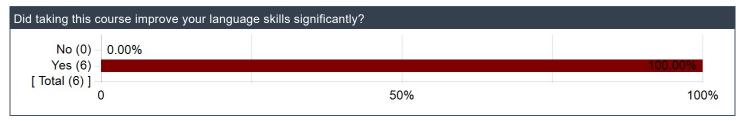
Sara was super understanding; as i was newly enrolled in her 102 class this quarter, she would do everything in her power to make my mid-year transition smooth. (extending assignments, re-explaining everything, and constantly checking on me)

sara is really nice and classes are usually very fun and engaging

Sara is an incredible instructor, I recommend everyone to take her class.

I thought she is a very engaging instructor who makes the classes feel incredibly interesting. She has made me excited to learn Italian and made it feel like less of an academic requirement but more of a general passion to learn. I have already recommended her to a couple of my friends who are thinking of learning Italian.

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



How would you improve this course?

Comments

n/a

Less tiny out of class assignments in favor of fewer, more intensive assignments — the work for this class felt tedious at times and I would then put it off until the last minute

Possibly slightly fewer assignments, although they are all generally short there are a lot of them

N/A

There isn't much that I can think of.

In what way?

Comments

Honestly I feel like I could go to Italy and be reasonably fine, which is crazy for only 2 quarters of coursework.

I was not able to speak Italian and now I can carry a conversation

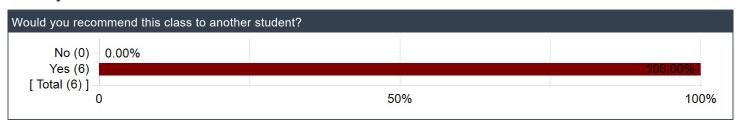
Talk abroads strengthened by ability to converse on the fly, in class activities taught me new verb tenses to diversify my story–telling / narration

We learned past tense, whereas we had only learned present tense in the first quarter. Overall, we learned significantly more grammar this quarter which helped broaden the conversations.

Learned so much more Italian and became much more confident in 10200.

I have learned in 5 months more than I did when I spent 2 years learning Spanish.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments

I really enjoy this class

Because its the most fun you will have taking a language requirement at this school. You are essentially just teleporting to italy for 50min 3x a week

Overall a fun course and you can learn a lot

Sara is an amazing teacher

I have found it enjoyable but equally academically worthwile.