Department of Italian Studies

Introduction

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Editor

ITA 100Y1Y Italian Language for Beginners

Instructor(s): S. Vallecorsa

Enr: 33			Resp: 14				Retake: 92%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	7	0	0	0	21	50	21	5.6
Explains	7	0	0	0	14	57	21	5.7
Communicates	7	0	0	0	0	14	78	6.4
Teaching	7	0	0	0	28	28	35	5.7
Workload	0	14	14	57	7	7	0	3.8
Difficulty	0	0	21	78	0	0	0	3.8
Learn Exp	0	0	0	25	25	8	41	5.7

Students really enjoyed this course and the lecturer. They said that Vallecorsa was a fun and enthusiastic instructor who made the course interesting.

Instructor(s): S. Abdel Tawwab

Enr: 19			Resp: 15				Retake: 93%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	20	80	6.8
Explains	0	0	0	6	0	6	86	6.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	6	93	6.9
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	6	93	6.9
Workload	0	13	13	26	33	6	6	4.3
Difficulty	0	6	20	66	6	0	0	3.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	9	9	9	72	6.5

Abdel Tawwab was described as an excellent, dedicated and very enthusiastic instructor. She was always available to address questions or concerns. Some students said that they wished there was more Italian spoken in class.

Instructor(s): D. DeLuca

Enr: 27			Resp: 16				Retake: 73%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	18	50	31	6.1
Explains	0	0	0	0	6	31	62	6.6
Communicates	0	0	0	0	6	12	81	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	12	25	62	6.5
Workload	12	0	25	31	18	12	0	3.8
Difficulty	6	0	12	50	18	6	6	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	8	25	8	33	25	5.4

DeLuca was engaging and available for questions. Furthermore, the instructor conveyed enthusiasm in communicating the course material. Some students complained that the course load may have been too

demanding. The course heavily focussed on writing and lacked complementary exercises on listening and speaking.

Instructor(s): P. Ottaviani

Enr: 24			Resp: 16				Retake: 93%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	18	18	62	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	6	12	31	50	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	6	0	25	68	6.6
Workload	0	12	12	62	12	0	0	3.8
Difficulty	6	18	12	62	0	0	0	3.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	25	37	12	25	5.4

Students loved Ottaviani's enthusiasm and said she was friendly, encouraging and understanding.

ITA 101Y1Y Elementary Italian Language

Instructor(s): A. Chiafele

Enr: 25			Resp: 21				Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	15	84	6.8
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	5	95	6.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Workload	5	5	20	55	5	0	10	3.9
Difficulty	0	0	27	55	5	0	11	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	0	11	5	0	83	6.6

Chiafele was described by her students as an excellent, enthusiastic and friendly instructor. Students enjoyed coming to class because she made the learning experience pleasant.

Instructor(s): F. Trione

Enr: 27			Resp: 19				Retake: 92%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	5	16	22	55	6.3
Explains	0	0	5	0	10	26	57	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	5	5	16	72	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	5	22	72	6.7
Workload	0	10	10	52	26	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	10	5	52	26	5	0	4.1
Learn Exp	7	0	0	7	35	7	42	5.6

Top marks for Trione who was described as an "exceptional" teacher. Trione was very thorough, understanding, always helpful and an effective instructor overall.

Instructor(s): Z. Ahmadian

Enr: 24			Resp: 18				Retake: 76%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	16	27	16	22	11	5	4.0
Explains	0	5	22	33	27	5	5	4.2
Communicates	0	0	0	61	5	33	0	4.7
Teaching	0	0	2	33	38	5	0	4.3
Workload	5	5	22	61	5	0	0	3.6
Difficulty	11	0	16	50	11	11	0	3.8
Learn Exp	0	6	26	33	13	6	13	4.3

Some students thought Ahmadian was a good teacher. Others felt, although she was nice, her lectures could have been more structured.

ITA 251Y1Y Intermediate Italian II

Instructor(s): S. Gastaldi

Enr: 23			Resp: 16				Retake: 87%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	6	25	50	18	5.8

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Explains	0	0	0	12	18	31	37	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	12	31	56	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	12	6	43	37	6.1
Workload	0	0	6	56	25	0	12	4.6
Difficulty	0	0	6	62	18	6	6	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	0	30	23	23	23	5.4

Gastaldi was enthusiastic, knowledgeable and explained material clearly.

ITA 300H1F History of Italian Literature: Middle Ages and Renaissance

Instructor(s): F. Guardiani

Enr: 20   Resp: 17   Retake: 71%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	13	20	46	20	5.7
Explains	6	0	0	0	26	26	40	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	5	17	23	52	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	0	25	31	43	6.2
Workload	0	5	5	76	11	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	0	0	50	31	18	0	4.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	28	21	35	14	5.4

Although a few students found this course a little fast-paced generally. Students found the instructor helpful. They said that he was a good instructor who tried to help his students to do well.

ITA 321H1S Dante: Divina Commedia (Purgatoria and Paradiso)

Instructor(s): G. Silano

Enr: 11   Resp: 5   Retake: 100%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	20	40	40	0	0	4.2
Explains	0	0	0	0	40	60	0	5.6
Communicates	0	0	0	20	20	20	40	5.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	40	60	0	5.6
Workload	0	0	40	60	0	0	0	3.6
Difficulty	0	0	0	80	20	0	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	33	0	33	33	5.7

ITA 326H1S Themes and Forms of the Lyric Tradition from Late Renaissance to 20th Century

Instructor(s): F. Guardiani

Enr: 20   Resp: 16   Retake: 73%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	25	37	25	12	5.2
Explains	0	0	0	14	35	35	14	5.5
Communicates	0	0	0	12	37	6	43	5.8
Teaching	0	0	0	12	31	37	18	5.6
Workload	0	6	12	68	12	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	0	6	60	20	13	0	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	7	35	21	35	0	4.9

Guardiani was described as an enthusiastic instructor who taught the course with intensity.

The course could have been taught in Italian to further understanding of the Italian poems.

ITA 346H1S Monsters and Marvels in Italian Modernist Literature

Instructor(s): L. Somigli

Enr: 8   Resp: 7   Retake: 66%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	14	71	14	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	0	14	42	42	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	14	0	85	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	14	14	71	6.6
Workload	0	0	0	57	14	28	0	4.7
Difficulty	0	0	0	42	42	14	0	4.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	33	16	16	33	5.5

ITA 355H1S Language Practice II

Instructor(s): A. Chiafele

Enr: 21   Resp: 17   Retake: 93%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	5	17	47	29	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	5	23	17	52	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	5	11	82		6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	11	35	52	6.4
Workload	0	5	11	58	11	11	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	11	70	17	0	0	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	18	27	54	6.4

Chiafele was helpful, enthusiastic and a great instructor overall.

ITA 365H1S Advanced Language Practice II

Instructor(s): F. Pierno

Enr: 8   Resp: 8   Retake: 100%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	12	37	50	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	0	12	37	50	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Workload	14	0	0	42	28	14	0	4.1
Difficulty	16	0	0	33	50	0	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	50	25	25	5.8

ITA 430H1S History of the Italian Language

Instructor(s): F. Pierno

Enr: 10   Resp: 10   Retake: 100%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	30	70	6.7
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	40	60	6.6
Communicates	0	0	0	0	30	20	50	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Workload	0	0	10	70	10	10	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	11	55	33	0	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	87	12	6.1

Pierno was a very good instructor who was enthusiastic and explained the material clearly.

ITA 452H1S Advanced Composition and Stylistics II

Instructor(s): E. Segnini

Enr: 6   Resp: 6   Retake: 100%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	16	0	16	33	33	5.7
Explains	0	0	0	0	66	0	33	5.7
Communicates	0	0	16	0	50	0	33	5.3
Teaching	0	0	0	16	33	16	33	5.7
Workload	0	0	16	50	16	16	0	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	0	66	16	16	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	33	16	50	0	5.2

Overall, Segnini did a great job teaching this course.

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