



Twin Cities Campus

Italian Studies B.A.

French & Italian

College of Liberal Arts

- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2020
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 30 to 50
- Degree: Bachelor of Arts

The Italian studies undergraduate program examines Italian and Italian-American literature, culture, society, and history. Courses offered provide a historical perspective from the Middle Ages to the present. Students explore a variety of themes ranging from nation-building and national identity to emigration and travel, to gender relations and feminist discourses, to the study of different narrative forms and representations of Italian and Italian-American culture. Students are encouraged to take courses in other departments when these are related to Italian and Italian-American culture. For further information and updates, see the department website at <http://cla.umn.edu/french-italian>.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

Students must complete Italian language study equivalent to four semesters (intermediate level) before beginning the major.

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the [Office of Admissions website](#).

Required prerequisites

Beginning and Intermediate Italian

Students must complete the following courses or place out through EPT or LPE examinations.

Take 0 - 20 course(s) from the following:

- [ITAL 1001](#) - Beginning Italian I (5.0 cr)
- [ITAL 1002](#) - Beginning Italian II (5.0 cr)
- [ITAL 1003](#) - Intermediate Italian I (5.0 cr)
- [ITAL 1004](#) - Intermediate Italian II (5.0 cr)

General Requirements

All students are required to complete general University and college requirements including writing and liberal education courses. For more information about University-wide requirements, see the [liberal education requirements](#). Required courses for the major or minor in which a student receives a D grade (with or without plus or minus) do not count toward the major or minor (including transfer courses).

Program Requirements

Students are required to complete 4 semester(s) of Italian. with a grade of C-, or better, or demonstrate proficiency in the language(s) as defined by the department or college.

CLA BA degrees require 18 upper-division (3xxx-level or higher) credits outside the major designator. These credits must be taken in designators different from the major designator and cannot include courses that are cross-listed with the major designator. The major designator for the Italian Studies BA is ITAL.

At least 15 upper-division credits in the major must be taken at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus. This includes learning abroad courses taken for resident credit.

Students may earn a BA or a minor in Italian, but not both.

All incoming CLA freshmen must complete the First-Year Experience course sequence.

Core Course

Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 4 credit(s) from the following:

- [ITAL 3015](#) - Reading, Conversation, and Composition (4.0 cr)



Electives

In special circumstances, additional courses can be used to complete this requirement with permission from the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Take 8 or more course(s) totaling 24 or more credit(s) from the following:

Italian Electives

Take 0 or more course(s) from the following:

- ITAL 3640 - Topics in Italian Studies (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 3647 - Urban Transformation in Italy [GP] (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 3837 - Imagining Italy: Italian and Italian-American Culture, History, and Society through Film [AH, GP] (4.0 cr)
- ITAL 3896 - Internship for Academic Credit (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- ITAL 4307 ~~(Inactive)~~ (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 4993 - Directed Study (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- ITAL 5289 - The Narrow Door: Women Writers and Feminist Practices in Italian Literature and Culture (4.0 cr)
- ITAL 5305 ~~(Inactive)~~ (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 5970 - Directed Readings (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- ITAL 3201 - Reading Italian Texts: Poetics, Rhetoric, Theory (3.0 cr)
or ITAL 5201 ~~(Inactive)~~ (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 3203 ~~(Inactive)~~ (3.0 cr)
or ITAL 5203 ~~(Inactive)~~ (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 3305 - Staging the Self: Theater and Drama in Modern Italy (3.0 cr)
or ITAL 5305 ~~(Inactive)~~ (3.0 cr)
- ITAL 3502 - Making of Modern Italy: From the Enlightenment to the Present. (3.0 cr)
or ITAL 5502 - Making of Modern Italy: From the Enlightenment to the Present (3.0 cr)

Other Electives

Take 0 or more course(s) from the following:

- ENGL 3040 - Studies in Film (3.0 cr)
- FRIT 3850 - Topics in French and Italian Cinema (3.0 cr)
- HIST 3053 - Ancient Civilization: Rome [HIS] (3.0 cr)
- HIST 3621 - Creating the Modern World in Medieval Europe: The Renaissance, 1200-1600 (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5620 - Topics in Opera History (3.0 cr)
- ARTH 3315 - The Age of Curiosity: Art, Science & Technology in Europe, 1400-1800 [AH, TS] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3708 - The Age of Curiosity: Art, Science & Technology in Europe, 1400-1800 [AH, TS] (3.0 cr)
- ARTH 3335 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or ARTH 5335 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3706 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or RELS 3612 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or RELS 5612 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital (3.0 cr)

Capstone

The capstone involves research and writing in Italian on an approved issue or theme. Projects can include scholarly papers or creative artistic pieces such as musical composition, photography, poetry, fiction, etc. All projects include a research/analytical component. Students must register for an approved elective with concurrent registration in ITAL 3459W. All projects must be developed under the supervision of the faculty teaching the approved elective course.

Students who double major within CLA and choose to complete the capstone requirement in their other major may waive the Italian Studies capstone, but are still responsible for taking the 30 upper-division credits required for the Italian Studies BA. They are also still responsible for taking at least one upper-division writing intensive course within the major.

Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- ITAL 3459W - Senior Project [WI] (2.0 cr)

Upper Division Writing Intensive within the major

Students are required to take one upper division writing intensive course within the major. If that requirement has not been satisfied within the core major requirements, students must choose one course from the following list. Some of these courses may also fulfill other major requirements.

Take 0 - 1 course(s) from the following:

- ITAL 3459W - Senior Project [WI] (2.0 cr)