

EUROCENTRES

Language Learning Worldwide



Learn Italian where it is spoken



EUROCENTRES Florence

Top quality for your future

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- > Learning success based on an innovative learning curriculum
- > Above-average success rate in examinations
- > Two qualified language trainers per class
- > Small classes
- > Classmates from all over the world



Top quality in the classroom

- > **Teaching:** Our teachers are experts, qualified at teaching their language. They use a variety of up-to-date approaches to design an ideal course for your particular group. We focus on creating the right environment for you to learn effectively. This means that classes are interesting and the learning progress is rapid, thanks also to project and group work, the most up-to-date materials and computer learning programs, video and audio facilities.
- > **Curriculum:** Your course is organized in weekly modules with detailed learning objectives for your level. Your teacher explains these aims to you so you are able to see where you are going. You are consulted as a partner in this process. You have a review lesson at the end of each week.
- > **Personalization:** Right from Day One your individual needs are identified. After an entry test and interview you are placed in the most suitable class for your level. You receive feedback from your entry test, lessons and homework progress tests. Your teachers find time to talk to you regularly and give you recommendations for guided independent study in the learning centre.
- > **Progress:** We help you to progress more quickly through the feedback from teacher assessments and tests. At the end of your stay you feel confident about what you can

now do in the language. Your Eurocentres Certificate and the more detailed Linguistic Profile record the language level you have achieved.

We set the standard

That's something you'll only find at Eurocentres Florence. The school is centrally located and is specially designed as a language school. For you, this means spacious classrooms with a learning-friendly environment. We also provide you with a self-study centre, recreation rooms, e-mail and internet access free of charge.

Your security

With Eurocentres Florence you are never without someone to turn to. If problems occur, such as homesickness, difficulties with the host family or anything else, there will always be somebody to help you: your class teacher, the person responsible for accommodation, the Centre Manager. The school has a 24 hour emergency number.



Perfect accommodation

Host family

Living with a host family is an exciting experience, and the one that most Eurocentres students opt for. It means that you will get to know about everyday Italian life and culture first hand, and will also have the opportunity to use your newly-acquired language skills with native speakers all day, every day.

Our host families are carefully selected and regularly inspected by our local staff, following clearly defined quality standards.

You will live as a guest in “your” family’s home, sharing it with the other members of the family.

Residence

The apartments in a residence feature a kitchen corner, bathroom, colour TV set, telephone, air conditioning and internet access.

Student residence

In a student residence, the emphasis is on contact between students from all over the world. One thing is for sure, here too you’ll be able to chat with each other in Italian outside the classroom. You’ll soon make friends with other students, with whom you can spend your leisure time, learning together.

Hotel or apartment

If your independence is really important to you, we will be happy to help you arrange this kind of accommodation, through a selection of a wide range of ideally situated hotels of different categories.

Or maybe you would prefer the peace and total independence of an apartment on your own if you’ve enrolled on an extended course. Most of them are basic, inexpensive studio with a bedroom and living room, plus a kitchenette. The range of apartments varies from place to place, so ask the Enrolment Office for more details.



Language Courses

Basic - 20 lessons/week

Have your language classes in the morning in order to organise your own programme in the afternoon.
Eurocentres Level: 0-9.

Specialised Intensive - 25 lessons/week

Learn the language at an accelerated pace with a programme of optimum intensity.
Eurocentres Level: 0-9.

Survival Italian - 15 lessons/week

The language and culture you need to travel with confidence in Italy.
Eurocentres Level: 0-9.

Academic Year and Semester Programmes

Courses are based on a standard year of four terms. Prices on request. The following starting dates are available to students of all levels:
Jan 8/15, Feb 5, Apr 2, Jul 2/30, Sep 24, 22 Oct.

Individual Courses

Supplement your learning with extra One-to-One lessons. Focus on the areas you need to improve. You can book single lessons, or modules of 5 lessons. We will schedule your One-to-One lessons to suit you.



Additional Courses

Art History - 5 lessons/week

Afternoon Art History lessons combined with guided visits to Florence's most famous galleries and museums.
Eurocentres Level: 3-9

Cucina Italiana - 6 lessons/week

A hands-on approach to Italian cooking. Learning as a group, maximum 14 students to produce wonderful food with a dynamic young chef.
From 2 to 8 weeks, 2 lessons of 150 minutes per week.
Eurocentres Level: 3-9

Catering - 6 lessons/week

Lessons for anyone who is interested in learning the key skills for mastering Italian cooking. According to the course length, students will acquire the technical and theoretical knowledge to be able to work in the catering sector. Maximum 6 students per class.
From 4 to 12 weeks or more, 2 lessons of 180 minutes per week.
Eurocentres Level: 3-9

Fashion Design - 5 lessons/week

The course provides students with the technical and theoretical knowledge to understand the creative processes of fashion design. Maximum 10 students per class.
For beginners up to advanced. From 4-12 weeks.
Eurocentres Level: 3-9

Drawing and Painting - 5 lessons/week

Students learn the basic techniques of drawing and painting including free-hand drawing, chiaroscuro, pencil drawing, wash drawing. Depending on level the course will cover: copies of famous masterpieces, life-size drawing / painting (still-life).
Class size: maximum 4 students
Eurocentres Level: 3-9

Other Courses

Teacher Refresher Course 25 lessons/week

Are you a language teacher looking for new teaching ideas? Eurocentres is at the forefront of the development of communicative methodologies and learner centred approaches. Come and benefit from our know-how. 2 weeks. Eurocentres Level: 7-10. 16 July 2008.



CELI Examination Preparation

Eurocentres Florence offers preparation courses for the CELI (Certificato di Conoscenza della Lingua Italiana – Università di Perugia) examinations, which are the most widely recognised for the Italian language. They include a written and oral test. Preparation will be offered as an optional extra, if there is sufficient demand. 2 weeks. Eurocentres Level: 3-9.



Complementary Courses

Eurocentres Firenze offers you complementary courses that you can add locally to your chosen course:

- **Italian Opera**
Reading of the most famous Libretti of Italian Operas. Guided listening. History of Italian Opera. Singing practice with an experienced teacher upon request.
- **Furniture Restoration**
The course is conducted by an expert artisan in his workshop.
- **Wine Tasting**
After introducing the vintage and winemaking techniques, students will learn the tasting stages that will enable them to recognize the characteristics of every single wine.

We'll get you there – efficiently



Scale of Language Proficiency

Your aim is to achieve a certain objective within certain amount of time. We know full well that your time is valuable; that's why our entire learning plan is geared to one aspect: efficiency.

The Eurocentres Scale of Language Proficiency is designed to help you to define your own personal learning objectives and to assess your current knowledge. The choice of courses we offer allows you to start a course at the right level at the time you want. Contact us for a free language test, ask for the Eurocentres Pathfinder Test.

10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > achieve a precise, differentiated expression of thoughts and opinions in a natural style > argue your case and negotiate skilfully > write virtually flawless essays and reports 		C2
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > feel fully comfortable in the language > be creative in the language and develop a personal style > put across complex points in view of meetings, seminars, reports, presentations 	These levels are important for study at university	C1
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > intervene in a discussion appropriately > develop ideas systematically > emphasise specific points in meetings, seminars, reports, presentations 		
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > keep up with a lively discussion among native speakers and interact spontaneously and comfortably > present and defend your own point of view > reliably pass on detailed information 	Employers value examination certificates at this level	B2
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > participate actively in longer discussions > describe problems in detail > react to the comments of others > talk on the phone without difficulty 		
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > join in a conversation unprepared > formulate thoughts > monitor and pass on information > give detailed instructions 	From these levels you can use the language in the workplace	B1
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > maintain a conversation and chat with friends > respond flexibly to different situations > express feelings 		
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > make yourself understood in predictable everyday situations > obtain specific information > describe events and personal experiences 		A2
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > obtain simple information > understand answers to questions > discuss what to do > describe activities 		
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > simple communication on holiday > make reservation in hotels > get what you need in restaurants and shops 		A1
0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > no knowledge 		

0 – 10

A1 – C2

Eurocentres Scale of Language

Common European Framework

Levels

The School



The Eurocentres school, the oldest state-recognized school of foreign languages in Florence, can be found in a Renaissance palace dating from the 16th century and is located in the middle of the old town centre near the Ponte Vecchio.

The historic school building, renovated in 1992, has eleven classrooms, a multimedia learning centre, a lecture room, a student lounge and is in a quaint Italian quarter.

The school is in the centre of the oldest part of Florence, 300 m from the Pitti Palace, 500 m from the Ponte Vecchio and about 15 minutes' walk from the cathedral (il Duomo) and from the railway station. There is a bus stop 200 m from the school and practically all buses stop at the cathedral.

The building is the work of the architect Cronaca and was built between 1502 and 1508. In the 1860's, it was extensively improved by the architect Poggi with the addition of beautiful frescoes. The school was completely renovated in 1992, taking care to enhance the original features but also making use of the best of modern Italian design to produce a stunning mix of new and old.

Florence

Florence considers itself to be the birthplace of European culture. This was where the Renaissance originated, ultimately influencing the entire cultural and spiritual life of Europe. The remnants of this past are everywhere - in the large number of Renaissance palazzi, the Ponte Vecchio, the Uffizi Gallery - to mention but a few. The liveliness of present-day Florence is evident in the street cafés and bars, the markets and the uninhibited temperament of the inhabitants, who are undisturbed by the streams of tourists flowing through their city.



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