

LEVEL I AND LEVEL II

Level I is for beginners and Level II is Pre-Intermediate (elementary level) for beginners with some prior knowledge.

These levels are organized along similar lines. Teaching focuses on the language of communication in current spoken use in the first course and then extends to include the language of written communication in general use in the second grade.

The eventual objective of the first and second levels taken as a unit is to gradually enhance students' acquisition of the four basic skills of linguistic competence.

At the end of this process, the students should be able to express themselves in Italian, in both its spoken and written forms, with an acceptable degree of fluency and appropriate usage of the language.

The program consists of:

Level I - Elementary

Italian language: 9hrs/wk

Language practice: 9hrs/wk

Phonetics (classroom and laboratory): 2hrs/wk

Level II - Pre-Intermediate

Italian language: 9hrs/wk

Language practice: 9hrs/wk

Phonetics (classroom and laboratory): 3hrs/wk