

ROMANICA is a school for the study of the Italian language. It is the ideal place to begin or continue one's study of Italian and make use of the language as a gateway to an understanding of Italian culture.

Since 1998 ROMANICA offers courses to students of all ages and all nationalities, as well as a wide variety of activities during students' free time.

ROMANICA is located in Modena, right in the historic centre. Its classrooms, in an eighteenth-century building decorated with frescoes, are merely a point of departure from which students will discover the everyday rhythms of this unique, beautiful, and extremely liveable city.

Modena

A historic university town, Modena is situated in Emilia-Romagna, a northern-central region of Italy stretching over a fertile plane and flanking the Apennine Mountains. With its 200,000 inhabitants, it is both tranquil and lively, a place where modern living and tradition meet and complement one another.

You can explore Modena by taking a stroll under the porticos overarching its sidewalks or cycling along the streets that now pave what were once ancient canals. The cobblestoned streets of the historic centre and the amber shades of the buildings transport you to a medieval town or to the court of the ancient ducal family.

Modena is home to the twelfth-century Romanesque Cathedral declared by Unesco to be among the five hundred masterpieces of the world. In Modena you can also admire the impressive rooms of the municipal palace, the imposing Palazzo Ducale, the beauty of numerous churches. The city's artistic and historic treasures coexist in harmony with book shops, workshops where artists and artisans sell their goods, traditional markets, bars where you can sit and drink an aperitif, as well as Modena's renowned restaurants and the less formal trattorie.

The people who live here are open and friendly: in the shops or on the streets there is always someone willing to stop for a chat. Unlike better-known Italian cities that appear on every tourist's itinerary, Modena offers you the chance to hear Italian spoken on every corner.

Finally, its central geographic location allows you to reach the major cities as well as the smaller, lesser known towns in Italy quite easily. Every place in Italy possesses its own unique history, traditions and habits. The free afternoons and weekends will be occasions to become acquainted with the country's fascinating diversity.

If you wish to discover the real Italy, choose a different destination: Romanica.

The Teachers

Ciao! We will be your teachers during your stay in Modena, and we would like to give you some insight into our qualifications, experience, and above all our enthusiasm. *Since receiving our university degrees*, we have specialized in the teaching of Italian as a foreign language, and some of us have taught Italian abroad. Our work gives us great pleasure as it is an opportunity to meet and interact with many people of different nationalities and is a source of constant enrichment on cultural, professional and personal level.

Romanica's courses – organized according to the methods for the teaching of foreign languages set out by the Council of Europe – are the fruits of our labours, both as individuals and as a team.

The aim of our programme is communication. Pronunciation, vocabulary, and the grammatical structures of the Italian language are always presented in context, in order to develop comprehension, reading, speaking, and writing skills.

Because we ourselves have been foreign language students, we are particularly suited to addressing your needs and your difficulties, and we understand the importance of support and encouragement. We consider your interests and your motives for choosing to study Italian to be fundamental to our task. We are always available to respond to your needs, and we do our best to work with you in achieving your educational goals.

The Courses

Intensive group courses

Courses begin on Mondays with an accurate placement test which allows us to evaluate your familiarity with the language and to form classes composed of students all at the same level. There are five levels in all: beginner, elementary, intermediate I, intermediate II and advanced.

Courses run from two weeks to twelve months. Students that apply have to be at least aged 12.

The classes are composed of a maximum of twelve students of diverse nationalities. Each group works with two teachers, and the lessons are conducted exclusively in Italian.

The four hours spent daily in the classroom are divided as follows:

- grammatical structure and vocabulary
- expression and conversation.

The lessons run for 55 minutes each.

Every fifteen days, there is a test to assess the students' progress, as well as to assure the continued homogeneity of each level. The constant contact between students and teachers and the particular flexibility of our teaching methods make for a real and intense encounter with the Italian language.

Individual and small group courses Italian courses for specific purposes

Every student has his or her specific interests and rhythms. Romanica seeks to satisfy every need and organizes individual courses in general Italian as well as specific Italian courses in literature, art, business and commercial Italian, tourism, Italian for systematic study, translations, and courses for teachers of Italian as a foreign language. In addition, we offer lessons specifically designed to prepare you for:

- university language exams
- exams for admission to Italian universities
- exams for the certificates of knowledge of the Italian language - CELI, CILS and AIL

You may choose to combine private, individual or small group lessons with the basic intensive courses. The individual lessons and the small group lessons run for 60 minutes each.

Contact us and together we will find the solution best suited to your needs.

Didactic material

Material is consistently reviewed according to the needs of groups and individuals so as to provide optimal support in improving communication skills. Selected texts, exercises, articles, literary extracts, role play, songs, cartoons, and videos are used to stimulate the class's curiosity. Your active participation allows you to learn Italian in a friendly and engaging environment. The material is included in the price of the course.

Attendance and language acquisition certificate

At the end of your course, after you have taken the final test, Romanica will present you with an attendance certificate indicating the level of Italian language achieved.

At school after lessons...

After lessons the school remains open, giving you access to the library which houses books, newspapers and periodicals featuring interesting artistic and cultural publications on Italy, and a collection of over 250 dvd. In addition, the school offers Internet access, a fax service, a language lab, a refreshment area and a music area.

Course calendar

Intensive group courses start on Mondays according to the calendar below:

2024				2025			
JANUARY 8, 22	FEBRUARY 5, 19	MARCH 4, 18	APRIL 2, 15, 29	JANUARY 7, 20	FEBRUARY 3, 17	MARCH 3, 17, 31	APRIL 14, 28
MAY 13, 27	JUNE 10, 24	JULY 8, 22	AUGUST 5, 19	MAY 12, 26	JUNE 9, 23	JULY 7, 21	AUGUST 4, 18
SEPTEMBER 2, 16, 30	OCTOBER 14, 28	NOVEMBER 11, 25	DECEMBER 9	SEPTEMBER 1, 15, 29	OCTOBER 13, 27	NOVEMBER 10, 24	DECEMBER 9

Individual courses and small group courses are organised upon request.

Prices

Intensive group courses - 20 hours per week

- 1 week € 270
- 2 weeks € 460
- 3 weeks € 630
- 4 weeks € 770

- 5 % discount for students under 20 and over 60 years of age
- 10% discount for the second month of course onwards

Individual courses

- 1 hour € 42
- 20 hours € 790

Courses for small groups - prices per person/hour

- group of 2 persons € 27
- group of 3 persons € 21
- 5 % discount on 20 hour package

Accommodation - prices per person/week

- **Family**
 - single room + breakfast € 145
 - double room + breakfast € 115
 - 1 meal € 16
- **Apartment**
 - single room € 145
 - double room € 115
 - independent flat from € 290

- **Hotels:** rates depend on the class of hotel

Registration

To register for courses send the following (by e-mail, fax or mail) to the secretary's office:

- the completed registration form
- a copy of the deposit of € 150 toward the course fee.

The deposit may be in the form of:

- International money order
- Travellers Cheque
- Western Union
- Bank credit transfer, made out to ROMANICA, account number 3379723:

UniCredit Banca S.p.a.

Filiale Modena Grande (Piazza Grande, 40 - Modena)

SWIFT: UNCRITMM - BIC: UNCRITM1MO0

IBAN: IT 29 X 02008 12930 000003379723

All bank charges are to be met by the sender.

Full payment is due within the second day of starting the course. Confirmation of the registration including details and all information necessary for your arrival in Modena and if requested the address where you will be staying will be sent to you in advance.

Regulations

1. Registration details and documents must be received by the secretary 30 days prior to the start of the course.
2. In the event of cancellation, the deposit will be refunded (less € 50 administration fees) provided notification of the cancellation is received at least 15 days prior to the first day of the course.
3. Refunds or reductions will not be made in the instance of students who begin a course after the established date, are inconsistent in class attendance or terminate the course prematurely.
4. In classes composed of one or two students the duration of daily lesson will be 2 hours instead of 4.
5. Individual lessons must be cancelled at least 24 hours in advance. If such notice is not given the lesson will be charged in full.
6. The lessons run from Monday through Friday; the school is closed during Italian national holidays.

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ROMANICA

accademia italiana di lingua e cultura

School recognized by the Italian Ministry of Education
Member of ASILS, AIL, CSN Sweden, Bildungsurlaub Berlin
CILS, CELI and AIL examination centre
DITALS training and examination centre for the teaching of Italian
Certified Quality Management System ISO 9001



MODENA

Complementary Activities

Romanica organizes a programme for your free time which is included as part of your course and parallels with the language study in its content. You will have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of activities that will allow you to feel at home in the city and help you to get to know our culture and our history.

Excursions, concerts, traditional and local festivals, visits to museums and other cultural venues, plays, conferences and receptions organized by the school and open to all. This is the best way to meet new friends and improve your Italian while enjoying yourself.

You can spend an unusual afternoon experiencing the rituals of vinegar-making, or on a farm observing the phases of production of *parmigiano* cheese, or in Maranello, taking a peek at the Ferrari test track or its factory workshops. You will have the chance to visit painting exhibitions, explore the studios of a private television company, sing along with «Rossini», one of Italy's oldest choirs, or simply enjoy an aperitif and then sit down with friends taking in the intoxicating smells of the delicious dishes of Modena's celebrated cuisine. Modena is a place to experience, above all especially at the dinner table!

You can gain even more from your Italian studies by following our seminars on: songs, arts, literature, history, pronunciation and phonetics, cinema, wine...

Upon your arrival you will receive the programme of the complementary activities which will keep you busy for 6 additional hours each week. Romanica's secretary will be at your disposal to inform you where you can find the most characteristic and entertaining haunts as well as the imminent cultural events taking place in the city and in the region of Emilia Romagna.

Accommodation

If you wish, Romanica will reserve accommodation for your stay in Modena.

We are well aware that your place of residence is of the utmost importance and so for this reason we ourselves select and monitor all the living quarters that we offer to our students, ensuring that they are comfortable and are located near the school or conveniently close to a bus stop.

There are three accommodation options:

1. **With a family.** This is the ideal option for students who wish to be immersed in amongst Italian daily life and customs.
2. **In an apartment.** This is generally shared with the owner or other students and includes the use of the kitchen.
3. **Hotel.** This arrangement is advisable for those who wish for maximum freedom.



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Registration form

Mrs. Miss Mr.

FIRST NAME
SURNAME

DATE OF BIRTH

ADDRESS

TEL

E-MAIL

OCCUPATION

NATIONALITY

NATIVE LANGUAGE

Other languages spoken:

I have heard of ROMANICA from:

I WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER FOR THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

from to

I do not speak Italian

I speak Italian at the following level:
elementary intermediate upper-intermediate advanced

I WOULD LIKE TO LIVE:
with a family in an apartment in a hotel

single room double room

smoking non-smoking

Please use this space to express any particular needs or comments:

I enclose a copy of the receipt for the deposit in the amount of € 150.

I have carefully examined and accept the regulations of Romanica.

I agree to my personal data treatment in accordance with G.D.P.R. EU 2016/679

Date..... Signature