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101 Syllabus-Fall 2007

Monday/Wednesday

Syllabus - Fall 2007 M/W 4:30-6:45 Business Bldg. 2135

Italian 101 - 901 Susan Hefty

For your planners:

Date		Activity	Content & Assessment
Aug.	27,29	Preliminary Chapter	Alfabeto, pronuncia, saluti, numeri, vocabolario, essere, giorni della settimana, mesi dell' anno
Sept.	5	Preliminary & Chapter 1	(no Monday session) I nomi e il genere (nouns and genders), avere & idioms, review of essere + c'è, ci sono, vocabulary, le venti regioni (the regions of Italy) project assignment
	10,12	Chapter 2	Monday: Quiz 1 (Prelim. Chapter - Chapter 1) (first hour); vocabolario, aggettivi (anche: buono), articoli determinativo, 'bello',
	17,19	Chapter 2 / 3	Chi siamo (oral presentation), presente dei verbi in-are (first conjugation verbs), i verbi irregolari (dare, stare, andare e fare), aggettivi possessivi
	24,26	Chapter 3	Monday: Quiz 2 (first hour) second half in lab working on chapter 1-3 Wednesday: back to lab to complete lab

			manual activities, independent work on projects
Oct.	1, 3	Chapter 3, regions	Presentations of regions; questo/quello, vocabulary review; Wed. (second half) Quiz 3: vocabulary from preliminary to ch.3
	8, 9	Chapter 4	Vocabolario, presente dei verbi in -ere,-ire, i verbi irregolari: dovere, potere e volere, dire, uscire, venire; l'ora (telling time)
	15, 17	Chapter 4, 5	Ripasso: ch. 4; pronomi di oggetto diretto Vocabolario: ch. 5, preposizioni articolate;
	22, 24	Chapter 5	Quiz 4 (ch. 3-5 except past time); passato prossimo con avere, con essere
	29, 31	Chapter 5	Quiz 5 (passato prossimo con avere e con essere); lab work from ch. 3-5; independent work on Wed: composition and movie review
Nov.	5,7	Chapter 5,6	Oral presentations; conoscere e sapere; vocabolario (ripasso & del cap. 6); pronomi di oggetto indiretto;
	12, 14	Chapter 6	Composition #1 & movie questions; accordo del participio passato nel passato prossimo (agreements in the past tense)
	19, 21	Chapter 6	Quiz 6 (cap. 6); lab work cap. 6; independent work on composition
	26, 28	Ch. 6	Quiz 7 (Vocabulary; Chaps. 4-6) piacere; interrogativi
Dec.	3,5	Chapter 6	Composition #2; Review for exam; oral interviews
			Final Exam (week of Dec. 10-14)

FINAL EXAM: Time & Location TBA

Course Requirements

Means of Evaluation

Class participation/oral performance

Percentage of Final Grade

10%

Homework assignments	5%
Compositions	10%
Project	10%
Quizzes (count 6 of 7)	40%
Italian film questions	5%
Comprehensive (final)	20%

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Grading Scale

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60 -69

Course Policies

- The lowest-scored quiz will be dropped--the best 6 out of 7 quiz scores will be counted towards the final grade. If a student misses a quiz for any reason, that is the quiz score that will be dropped.
- Quizzes, exams, compositions or other graded activities **CANNOT** be re-scheduled or made up.
- **Daily attendance**, laboratory and homework required. A maximum of 3 absences are allowed. 0.5% subtracted from final grade for each additional absence. No distinction will be made between “excused” and “unexcused” absences. Instructors are legally prohibited from being made aware of medical or other personal information about students. **It is the responsibility of students to determine any homework or classroom activities missed during an absence.**
- On-time arrival is expected out of courtesy for classmates and instructor.
- Students must have an active e-mail address, kept updated with the VCU Registrar. This course requires that students use and regularly check their e-mail accounts. Students are asked to use discretion when sending mail. Students will respond to various questions via e mail, especially the weeks of September 24 an October 29.

Any *emergency only* information may be sent to me via:

