



Academic Course Catalog  
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Foreign Language  
Department

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## LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

ITALIAN 1-5310

1 credit

This course will introduce and develop the listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills on a basic level. The first year Italian student is expected to acquire the ability to speak briefly in Italian on every day subjects, to understand simple Italian statements, and to read and write in Italian about the topics he/she has learned.

ITALIAN 1 Honors-5311

1 credit

This course will introduce and develop the listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills on a basic level. The first year honor language student is expected to acquire the ability to speak briefly in the learned language on every day subjects, to understand statements, to read and write about topics he/she has learned, and to understand grammatical issues and write simple dialogues and short passages in the language learned. It will cover the scope of a year and a half of the regular language program.

Prerequisite: The St. Edmund Prep Placement Test.

ITALIAN 2-5320

1 credit

This course is a continuation from Italian 1. Speaking, listening, reading, and writing will be developed further. This course will emphasize the grammatical aspects of the language. Special emphasis will be placed on the ability to write dialogues and guided compositions and answer questions in Italian on topics studied in Italian 1 and Italian 2.

ITALIAN 2 Honors-5321

1 credit

This course is a continuation of level one and will reinforce the skills acquired in Level 1H. This year the four skills will be further developed. The readings will include material from magazines, newspapers and literature. The writing assignments will increase in scope and speaking the language as a means for communication in class will be encouraged. Students at this level will be taking the New York State Comprehensive Regents in Italian in June.

Prerequisite: Completion of level 1 Honors with a grade of 85%.

ITALIAN 3 Regents-5330

1 credit

This course will reinforce the four skills established in Italian 1 and Italian 2. This year the four skills will be further developed. The readings will include material from magazines, newspapers and literature. The writing assignments will increase in scope and speaking Italian as a means for communication in class will be encouraged.

ITALIAN FOR CAREERS-5346

.5 credit

This course will offer an opportunity for learning various terms applicable to the changing occupations in today's society, such as sports, medicine, science, law, education, advertising, business, federal and civic service, etc. Students who successfully completed level 2 can take this course in conjunction with level 3. Teacher's approval required.

COLLEGE/A.P. ITALIAN-5341	1 credit
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At this level students review important concepts of Italian grammar and focus attention on the subtleties of the Italian language. Oral practice in conversation and discussion of reading selections is provided. Through the various reading selections of Italian literature, the students are given the opportunity to appreciate contemporary writing and a variety of literary genres. Upon successful completion of the course, students with a grade of C+ or better will receive 6 credits from St. John's University. Students who take the A.P. examination in May have the opportunity to earn up to 6 college credits. Separate fee required for A.P. exam. Requirements: School Average 85 - Minimum grade on Italian 3 Regents 85 - Additional fee required for St. John's.

SPANISH 1-5510	1 credit
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This course will introduce and develop the listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills on a basic level. The first year Spanish student is expected to acquire the ability to speak briefly in Spanish on every day subjects, to understand simple Spanish statements, and to read and write in Spanish about the topics he/she has learned.

SPANISH I-Honors-5511	1 credit
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This course will introduce and develop the listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills on a basic level. The first year honor language student is expected to acquire the ability to speak briefly in the learned language on every day subjects, to understand statements, to read and write about topics he/she has learned, and to understand grammatical issues and write simple dialogues and short passages in the language learned. It will cover the scope of a year and a half of the regular language program.

Prerequisite: The St. Edmund Prep Placement Test.

SPANISH 2 Honors-5521	1 credit
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This course is a continuation of level one and will reinforce the skills acquired in Level 1H. This year the four skills will be further developed. The readings will include material from magazines, newspapers and literature. The writing assignments will increase in scope and speaking the language as a means for communication in class will be encouraged. Students at this level will be taking the New York State Comprehensive Regents in Spanish in June.

Prerequisite: Completion of level 1 Honors with a grade of 85%.

SPANISH 2-5520	1 credit
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This course is a continuation from Spanish 1. Speaking, listening, reading, and writing will be developed further. This course will emphasize the grammatical aspect of the language. Special emphasis will be placed on the ability to write dialogues and guided compositions, and answer questions in Spanish on topics studied in Spanish 1 and Spanish 2.

SPANISH 3 REGENTS-5530	1 credit
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This course will reinforce the four skills established in Spanish 1 and Spanish 2. This year the four skills will be further developed. The readings will include material from magazines, newspapers and literature. The writing assignments will increase in scope, and speaking Spanish as a means for communication in class will be encouraged.

SPANISH FOR CAREERS-5546 .5 credit

This course will offer an opportunity for learning various terms applicable to the changing occupations in today's society, such as sports, medicine, science, law, education, advertising, business, federal and civic service, etc. Students who successfully completed level 2 can take this course in conjunction with level 3. Teacher's approval required.

COLLEGE/A.P. SPANISH-5540 1 credit

At this level, students review important concepts of Spanish grammar and focus attention on the subtleties of the Spanish language. Oral practice in conversation and discussion of the reading selections is provided. Through the various reading selections of authors of the Spanish-speaking world, the students are given the opportunity to appreciate contemporary writing and a variety of literary genres. Upon successful completion of the course, students will receive six credits from St. John's University. Students who take the A.P. examination in May have the opportunity to earn up to 6 college credits. Separate fee required for A.P. exam. Requirements: School Average 85 - Minimum grade on Spanish 3 Regents 85 - Additional fee required for St. John's.

LATIN 1-5610 1 credit

This course will lay the foundation for the study of the romance languages. It will be an aid to the study of English grammar.

CONVERSATIONAL ITALIAN-5556 .5 credit

The aim of this course is to conduct different transactions in Italian including business terms, university terms, travel, and ordinary occasions. This will be mostly an oral course. Grades will be based on oral proficiency and level of improvement at end of term. Some writing will be necessary for preparation of oral presentations. Completion of Italian 3 is a prerequisite.

CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH-5557 .5 credit

The aim of this course is to conduct different transactions in Spanish including business terms, university terms, travel, and ordinary occasions. This will be mostly an oral course. Grades will be based on oral proficiency and level of improvement at end of term. Some writing will be necessary for preparation of oral presentations. Completion of Spanish 3 is a prerequisite.

ITALIAN LITERATURE-5559 .5 credit

This course will be a survey of the different styles of Italian literature. Students will read excerpts of Italian literature from the Middle Ages to the present period.

SPANISH LITERATURE-5560 .5 credit

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CREATIVE WRITING IN SPANISH-5562 .5 credit

This course will help to reinforce writing competency through expression in Spanish. Students will be able to exercise their imagination and creativity as they produce their own works in Spanish.

CREATIVE WRITING IN ITALIAN-5563 .5 credit

This course will help to reinforce writing competency through expression in Italian. Students will be able to exercise their imagination and creativity as they produce their own works in Italian.

CHINESE I-5710 1 credit

This course will introduce and develop the listening, speaking, reading and writing skills on a basic level. The first year Chinese student is expected to learn the pinyin system, Chinese character writing, to acquire the ability to speak briefly in Chinese on everyday subjects, and to read and write simple Chinese statements.

CHINESE II-5711 1 credit

This course is a continuation of Chinese I. Speaking, listening, reading, and writing will be developed further. This course will emphasize the grammatical aspects of the language. Special emphasis will be placed on the ability to write dialogues and guided compositions and answer questions in Chinese on topics studied in Chinese 1 and 2. The student is expected to use the China Star software to write short dialogues.

CHINESE III-5712 1 credit

This course will emphasize the grammatical aspects of the Chinese language. It will reinforce the skills established in Chinese I and II. The student will learn more Chinese vocabulary and will be able to read short newspaper articles and advertisements. He/she will write short compositions on various topics.

CHINESE IV-5713 1 credit

This course will reinforce the four skills established in Chinese I, II and III. This year the four skills will be further developed. The readings will include material from magazines, newspapers and literature. The writing assignments will increase in scope, and speaking Chinese as a means for communication in class will be expected.

TRAVEL STUDY PROGRAMS-5554 .5 credit

A course of approximately 10-15 days usually taking place during the Easter recess. The trip may cover one or two countries, but the longer stay will be in the country of the target language. Credit is earned upon completion of an independent course of study and a final paper after the trip. Open to students enrolled in the third year of language or above.