Italian Studies

The minor in Italian Studies is an interdisciplinary program of study in Italian language, literature, art, history, and culture. A semester of study at an approved program in Italy is highly recommended, but not required. To earn the minor, students must demonstrate Italian linguistic competence and complete five approved courses at the 300-level or above.

The minor offers some flexibility and can be tailored to complement major studies in anthropology, art history, history, medieval studies, music, and international and global studies.

As a rule, the department will offer two 300-level courses each year: one in the Advent semester, which will be taught in English and another in the Easter semester, which will be taught in Italian.

Requirements for the Minor in Italian Studies

The minor requires successful completion of the following:

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Course Requirements		
Select eight credits from the following:		8
ITAL 301	Introduction to Italian Literature	
ITAL 302	Introduction to Drama	
ITAL 305	Italian Culture and Society	
ITAL 355	Special Topics	
ITAL 440	Directed Reading	
Select four credits from the following:		4
ITAL 309	Italian Americans in Cinema and Literature	
ITAL 325	Women Writers in Italy	
ITAL 350	Special Topics	
Select eight credits from the following:		8
ARTH 323	Imagining the Medieval Italian City	
ARTH 325	Italian Renaissance Art and Architecture	
CLST 353	Latin Literature in Translation	
ENGL 200	Representative Masterpieces	
Courses in Latin (LATN) literature course numbered 300 or above		
Additional courses in Italian (ITAL) numbered 300 or above		
An approved study abroad content course taught in Italian [1]		
Total Semester Hours		**20**

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Students may apply up to two courses from an approved study abroad program to the minor. Each course is subject to departmental approval. Beginning and intermediate language/grammar courses will not count toward the minor. Generally, content courses that focus on some aspect of Italy (e.g. a history course on the Fascist period, an anthropology course on Italian food culture) will be approved, as will courses on any subject taught in Italian (e.g., a biology course taught at the Università di Ferrara).