

## Sample Course Description

**Faculty:** Faculty of Foreign Languages

**Study program:** Bachelor in Italian language

**Course Title:** Element of Civilization

**Course Credits:** 5

**Language of Instruction:** Italian

**Course Description:** This course aims to provide students with the basic knowledge on various aspects of Italian civilization: geo-political, economic, cultural aspects as well as other aspects of daily life. This course is designed to provide students with a survey of the most significant moments of the Italian civilization, from its origins in the thirteenth century to the splendor of Renaissance culture, in the sixteenth century. This course is a journey through the history, arts, and literature of early modern Italy and will address major historical events, larger-than-life personalities, masterpieces of literature, drama, music, as well as the visual arts of this historical period. We will also watch documentaries and films portraying this era.

**Course Goals:** At the end of the course, students will be able to identify and describe crucial developments of the Italian society and culture during the period of time studied, to understand the main aspects of political and artistic movements, and to analyze individual cultural products in relation to their specific historical, social, and linguistic context. Taught in Italian, this course will also advance the students' linguistic skills and develop their ability to understand, interpret, and communicate complex ideas in standard oral and written Italian.

**Course Requirements:**

**Attendance:** Lectures and seminars 75%

**Assessment:** Attendance 10%, continuous assessment 20%, final exam 70%

**Grading:** The lowest grade is 5 and the highest grade is 10.

46-55 points	<b>5</b>
56-65 points	<b>6</b>
66-75 points	<b>7</b>
76-85 points	<b>8</b>
86-95 points	<b>9</b>
96-100 points	<b>10</b>

**Course Schedule:** Semester III, 15 lectures and 60 seminars