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COURSE GUIDE DATES AND RATES *2025*

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Course start: Every Monday (except for special programmes and during winter holidays)

Winter holidays: January 01 – February 28
December 01 – December 31

Public holidays: April 21
April 25
May 01
June 02
August 15

The school remains closed on public holidays.

Price reduction on group courses in case of public holidays:
COURSE A: 15 Euro, **COURSE B**: 30 Euro, **COURSE C**: 30 Euro
Private lessons for **COURSE C, D, E** are made up.

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee of **120 Euro** includes:

- Pick-up transfer from and to Lamezia Terme airport (SUF), Lamezia Terme train station or 2 half day excursions by minibus
- Teaching material
- Schoolbag, pen and writing pad
- Written and oral grading test, executed online before arrival
- Participation certificate
- City map and information about Tropea, tips on excursions
- Presentation including welcome cocktail
- Organisation of weekly leisure activities
- Guided city tour of Tropea
- Italian Film evenings at school

This registration fee applies to all courses and programmes held in-house in Tropea, unless specified differently.

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LANGUAGE LEVEL GUARANTEE

Before arrival students have to do an oral and written placement test online.
Our programme follows the linguistic levels as defined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (**A1**, **A2**, **B1**, **B2**, **C1**, **C2**), which is the basis for recognising linguistic competence. We also have 9 sub-levels in order to offer a total of 15 different levels for our students, all of which are designed to satisfy their individual needs.

REGULATION FOR CLASSICAL GROUP COURSES

In order to ensure an ideal learning experience, the number of students is limited to 8 per group. Each lesson lasts 55 minutes and each group has 4 hours of lessons daily: 2 hours of grammar and 2 hours of conversation with two different teachers.

Lesson = **55 minutes**

Group size = **max. 8 students**

If a group of at least 3 students at the same linguistic level cannot be formed, then this student will be placed in a 2 to 1 course or will receive private tuition with the number of lessons reduced by half. In this case, the course has 2 hours of daily lessons: 1 hour of grammar and 1 hour of conversation with the same teacher.

TEACHING METHOD

Our first-rate mother tongue instructors are certified for teaching Italian to foreigners and teach the language through the communicative method, using Italian as the language of instruction. This method favours the greatest possible development of the students' linguistic abilities.
Our didactic library is constantly updated with new materials. Alongside modern and professional Italian language textbooks, integrated with audio CDs, we also use literary texts, films, songs, magazines and newspapers during lessons.

School opening times:
9 am – 1 pm
2 pm – 6 pm

CLASSICAL GROUP COURSES

COURSE A - CONVERSATION

2 hours a day / 5 days a week

- Lessons from Monday to Friday
- 2 lessons of 55 minutes each in small groups from a minimum of 3 to a maximum of 8 students, for students at an elementary or advanced level (A2, B1, B2, C1, C2), based on readings from newspapers and discussions of related topics
- Length: 1 – 12 weeks

COURSE B - COMPLETE

4 hours a day / 5 days a week

- Lessons from Monday to Friday
- 4 lessons of 55 minutes each (with a 20-minute break) in small groups from a minimum of 3 to a maximum of 8 students; the lessons have both a grammar and a conversation component
- Length: 1 – 52 weeks

COURSE C - INTENSIVE

Course B + 6 individual lessons a week

- Lessons from Monday to Friday
- Students take the complete course, to which are added 2 individual lessons of 55 minutes each for 3 afternoons per week; this kind of course allows us to follow the particular linguistic needs of each student in detail
- Length: 1 – 52 weeks

Weeks	COURSE A	COURSE B	COURSE C
1	195	255	490
2	360	460	935
3	505	655	1365
4	645	840	1755
5	780	1020	2135
6	910	1195	2525
7	1040	1370	2885
8	1165	1540	3265
Additional week	120	175	390

Prices in Euro per person

CLASSICAL INDIVIDUAL COURSES

COURSE D - TWO-TO-ONE

- If there are two students at the same level, we offer an excellent alternative to individual lessons. An instructor designs a personalised programme based on the linguistic needs of two students and teaches both of them at the same time
- Ideal for couples or friends
- Length: 1 – 52 weeks

COURSE E - ONE-TO-ONE

- The most effective method of instruction for those students who want to learn the most in the least amount of time. Personalised to the linguistic needs of each student, the course focuses on contemporary Italian for specific uses
- Length: 1 – 52 weeks

Hours	COURSE D	COURSE E
10	275	410
20	490	790
30	720	1165
40	910	1510
50	1070	1835
60	1225	2150
Additional 10-hour package	195	345

Prices in Euro per person

ACCREDITED COURSES

Some of our classical courses are accredited by governments, corporations and companies all over the world. The recognitions vary according to the duration of the course. Accredited courses can be started every Monday, but the enrolment at our institute must be filed at least 12 weeks before the start of the course.

CSN

Length	Type
minimum 3 weeks (20 lessons per week)	COURSE B

Our school is recognized by the *CSN Lund - Sweden* (Swedish Board of Student Finance). Swedish nationals from16 to 57 years old can apply for a loan from this Swedish government agency.

BILDUNGSURLAUB

Length	Type
from 1 to 2 weeks (20+6 lessons a week)	COURSE C

Prices in Euro per person

We are recognized in several Bundesländer of Germany, therefore students from Germany have the possibility to request *Bildungsurlaub* to their employer, for a total of 5 days a year. Conditions vary depending on the state, so it may be necessary to add additional individual lessons (**COURSE E**).

ERASMUS+ (UID E10126904 - PIC 929054458)

Duration	Course fee
1 week	540
2 weeks	990

Prices in Euro per person

Starting dates	Every Monday

Special training course programme designed for foreigners teaching Italian (LS) in line with the new mobility programme of the EU for education and training.
Group **COURSE B + 6 INDIVIDUAL LESSONS** per week for methodology and practice of teaching.

Contact us for further Erasmus+ options!

ITALIAN FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES

We design personalised courses to fulfil the linguistic wants and needs of students, drawing from the extensive backgrounds and specialisations of our instructors.
The following personalised courses are part of our standard programme:

ITALIAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION

Italian literature, contemporary Italian history, history of Italian art, history of Italian music, Italian opera, Italian architecture...

BUSINESS ITALIAN

Italian for economics and business communication, Italian for tourism, medical Italian, legal Italian, Italian for interpreters...

EXAM PREPARATION COURSES

CILS, CELI, IT, AIL (DELI, DILI, ...), PLIDA.
We recommend a minimum preparation period of 3 weeks.

Our Italian language school in Trieste is an authorized examination centre for CELI and CILS.
Our Italian language school in Tropea is an authorized examination centre for CELI.

Sector specific courses can be booked either as:

COURSE C - **INTENSIVE 20+6** (see page 7)

COURSE D - **TWO-TO-ONE** (see page 8)

COURSE E - **ONE-TO-ONE** (see page 8)

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

Details and description are available on request.

SENIOR PROGRAMME: ACTIVE-SILVER 60+ (2 weeks)

REGISTRATION FEE WITHOUT TRANSFER: €60
REGISTRATION FEE WITH RETURN TRANSFER FROM AND TO LAMEZIA AIRPORT/TRAINSTATION: €120

Accomodation	Shared apartment	Studio flat
Single room	1370	1530
Double room	1240	1400

Prices in Euro per person

Spring dates	Sunday Mar 09 – Sunday Mar 23 I Sunday Mar 30 - Sunday Apr 13
Autumn dates	Sunday Oct 19 – Sunday Nov 02 I Sunday Nov 09 - Sunday Nov 23

Special language course programme for senior students designed for the age group 60 plus: Group COURSE B (40 lessons), extracurricular programme with social activities, excursions and cultural field trips, accommodation.

ONLINE / HYBRID PROGRAMMES

PRIVATE LESSONS

Packages	Course fee
6 lessons	200
12 lessons	365
24 lessons	695

Prices in Euro per person

Timetable: flexible, based on students' requests and availability
Duration of lesson: 45 minutes

EVENING COURSES

Course levels	Course start	Duration	Rate
Beginner Intermediate Advanced and Enhancement	January 20 April 07 October 13	10 weeks (40 hours)	365

Prices in Euro per person

Timetable: 6:10 pm - 8:00 pm (twice a week)
Duration of lesson: 55 minutes

GROUP COURSES

Duration	Course fee
1 week	255
4 weeks	840
8 weeks	1540
24 weeks	3600
36 weeks	5040
48 weeks	6240

Prices in Euro per person

For further details and periods other than those indicated, please refer to page 7 (**COURSE B**).

PLUS ACTIVITY COURSES
SPORTS + CULTURAL ELEMENTS

The activities are offered in combination with an Italian language course, but also separately to accompanying travellers without language course.

COOKING

Duration	Programme fee
1 week approx. 10 hours (approx. 3,5 hrs. x 3 times)	250

Prices in Euro per person

Traditional Mediterranean cooking class, perfect for learning how to cook Calabrese dishes and specialities.

- 3 lessons (6 pm – 9.30 pm) – approx. duration 10,5 hours
- Minimum duration of the course: 1 week (3 lessons)
- Maximum duration of the course: 4 weeks (12 lessons)

The rate includes: *list of recipes, apron, ingredients for the preparation of all dishes, dinner together with the cook.*
Lessons are held in the studio apartment that the student books through the school.

MEAL PLAN EXAMPLE FOR ONE LESSON
Primo: Fileja fatti in casa conditi con cipolla di Tropea
Secondo: Frittata di cipolla e tartine con 'nduja
Dolce: Torta di mele

PAINTING

Activity	Duration	Course fee
Oil painting – During the course you will complete one oil painting	10 hours (2 hours x 5 days)	250
Watercolour painting – During the course you will undertake various watercolour paintings		

Prices in Euro per person

Painting course with a local artist divided into 5 lessons of about 2 hours each.
The price includes: *materials*, *paints*, *paper and canvas*.

WINDSURF

Activity	Course fee
Windsurfing course (10 hours)	310

Prices in Euro per person

Windsurfing lessons that combine the thrill of surfing with the tranquil contemplation of sailing. Our highly professional partner windsurf school is operating in Southern Italy since 1990. Courses have a maximum of 4 participants and lessons are divided into a theoretical part and a practical part on the water with an expert instructor. The days and times for lessons are set by the instructor in accordance with current weather conditions.
The price includes: *windsurfing wetsuit, life jacket*.

CATAMARAN SAILING

Activity	Course fee
Catamaran sailing course (10 hours)	410

Prices in Euro per person

Sailing lessons on a catamaran: experience the balance between the raw power of the sea and free sailing.
Our partner sailing school has a fleet of Hobie Cats that are used for the following courses: *3 Hobie cat 13, 4 Hobie cat 15, 2 deriva (tipo laser) x14, 3 laser pico, 1 laser 16*.
Lessons are divided into a theoretical part and a practical part on the water with an expert instructor.
The course teaches basic terminology, proper fitting out of a boat, sailing with the wind and the techniques of changing direction. The days and times for lessons are set by the instructor in accordance with current weather conditions.
The price includes: *sailing gear*, *life jacket*.

PROFICIENCY EXAMS

PROFICIENCY EXAMS for language levels: **A1**, **A2**, **B1**, **B2**, **C1**, **C2**.
The Piccola Università Italiana is an authorized examination centre for *CELI* exams and offers the possibility to prepare and carry out the exams directly in our institute in Tropea.

REGISTRATION FEE FOR EXAMS: € 120

CELI (University of Perugia)		
Date	Type of certificate and level	Inscription Deadline
March 12	A1, A2, B1, B2	February 12
May 07	A1 A2 Immigrati B1 Cittadinanza	April 09
June 17	A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2	May 19
September 17	A2 Immigrati B1 Cittadinanza	August 12
November 19	A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2	October 15
November 26	A2 Immigrati B1 Cittadinanza	October 22
Exam fee: varies according to level from 50 to 100		

ACCOMMODATION

The rates are calculated from arrival day Sunday (Check-in from 3 pm) until departure day Saturday (Check-out by 10 am).
In case of arrival before 3 pm or departure after 10 am, students may leave their luggage in a storage room for € 10.
Additional nights on weekends may be booked upon request.

THE ACCOMMODATION RATES INCLUDE

- Utilities (electricity, water, gas, heating)
- 1 apartment cleaning per week (on weekends)
- 1 change of towels and linen per week (on weekends)
- For an additional charge the school can arrange a second change of linen and towels (on Wednesday)

SHARED APARTMENT CLASSIC

Weeks	Single room	Double room
1	160	125
2	310	230
3	450	330
4	580	420
5	700	500
6	810	570
7	910	630
8	1000	680
Additional week	110	80

Prices in Euro per person

A typical shared apartment has 2 or 3 bedrooms, a large eat-in kitchen and one or two bathrooms. Bathroom and kitchen are shared by the students. All shared apartments are furnished with television and washing machine. All apartments dispose of air condition and Wi-Fi. All shared apartments are in walking distance (5 - 15 minutes) to the school.

Prices for additional night (Saturday to Sunday)	Single room	Double room
Season I (Mar 03 - April 26 / Oct 11 - Nov 30)	20	15
Season II (April 26 - Jun 28 / Sep 20 - Oct 11)	30	20
Season III (Jun 28 - Sep 20)	40	30

Prices in Euro per person per additional night

Seasonal surcharge	Single room	Double room
Season I (Mar 03 - April 26 / Oct 11 - Nov 30)	0	0
Season II (April 26 - Jun 28 / Sep 20 - Oct 11)	60	30
Season III (Jun 28 - Sep 20)	110	55

Prices in Euro per person per week

SHARED APARTMENT SEA VIEW

Weeks	Single room	Double room
1	190	150
2	370	290
3	540	420
4	700	540
5	850	650
6	990	750
7	1120	840
8	1240	920
Additional week	150	105

Prices in Euro per week

The description included services and the distance to school is identical to the SHARED APARTMENT CLASSIC. Additionally, these apartments offer sea view.

Prices for additional nights (Saturday to Sunday)	Single room	Double room
Season I (Mar 03 - April 26 / Oct 11 - Nov 30)	30	25
Season II (April 26 - Jun 28 / Sep 20 - Oct 11)	40	30
Season III (Jun 28 - Sep 20)	50	35

Prices in Euro per person per additional night

Seasonal surcharge	Single room	Double room
Season I (Mar 03 - April 26 / Oct 11 - Nov 30)	0	0
Season II (April 26 - Jun 28 / Sep 20 - Oct 11)	80	40
Season III (Jun 28 - Sep 20)	130	65

Prices in Euro per person per week

STUDIO FLAT

Weeks	Single room	Double room
1	230	180
2	440	330
3	600	465
4	720	560
5	875	675
6	1020	780
7	1155	875
8	1280	960
Additional week	155	110

Prices in Euro per person

A typical studio flat has a spacious room with a kitchenette and bathroom. Some of the flats also have a separate living room or a separate eat-in kitchen.
All studio flats are furnished with television and washing machine. All apartments dispose of air condition and Wi-Fi, some also have a balcony or sea view.
All studio flats are in walking distance (5 - 15 minutes) to the school and are either near the tourist port or in the old town of Tropea.

Prices for additional nights (Saturday to Sunday)	Single room	Double room
Season I (Mar 03 - April 26 / Oct 11 - Nov 30)	35	25
Season II (April 26 - Jun 28 / Sep 20 - Oct 11)	60	40
Season III (Jun 28 - Sep 20)	75	45

Prices in Euro per person per additional night

Seasonal surcharge	Single room	Double room
Season I (Mar 03 - April 26 / Oct 11 - Nov 30)	0	0
Season II (April 26 - Jun 28 / Sep 20 - Oct 11)	150	80
Season III (Jun 28 - Sep 20)	300	150

Prices in Euro per person per week

OTHER ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

- **Hotel**
- **B&B**

Rates vary seasonally and are therefore available upon request.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Duration	Fee
Guard.me MULTIRISK + CANCELLATION	18
Guard.me MULTIRISK ONLY	10

Prices in Euro per person

A week counts from Sunday to Saturday. Coverage starts from the day of departure from the country of origin. In case of additional nights an extra week has to be charged.

Cover: reimbursement of medical expenses, assistance while travelling, reimbursement for delayed departure, baggage insurance, accidents while travelling, personal liability, up to €7500 travel cancellation cover (in case of Guard.me Multirisk + Cancellation)

STUDY VISA

The Piccola Università Italiana is a school recognized by the Ministry and can provide you with the necessary documents and assistance for the request of your student visa.
Non-EU students wishing to study in Italy for more than 90 days will have to apply for a study visa at the Italian Embassy or Consulate of their country of origin.
To obtain the visa you will have to register online at one of our courses on our website, then according to the specific requests by your country, you will receive all the necessary documents, which need to be presented to the Embassy or Consulate by mail or e-mail.

CANCELLATION CONDITIONS

Cancellation period	Course cancellation fee	Apartment cancellation fee
Up to 30 days before arrival	100% of the registration fee	30% of the accommodation rate
Less than 30 days before arrival	100% of the registration fee + 50% of the course fee	50% of the accommodation rate
Less than 7 days before arrival	100% of the registration fee + 100% of the course fee	100% of the accommodation rate

ACCREDITATIONS

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