

FREE ONLINE ITALIAN LANGUAGE COURSE

50 ANNUAL ONLINE ITALIAN LANGUAGE COURSES reserved for Trentino descendants living abroad. Audio/video classes – beginner level (A1) – with tutoring and online community, delivered by ICoN (www.italicon.education)

Trentino descendants must be at least 15 years old.

DEADLINE to send the application form: 2 OCTOBER 2017

Each course will take place over a period of 12 months exclusively through the Internet, and will make available an on-line tutor qualified to teach Italian as a second language.

The students on each course will be grouped into a virtual class organised within the context of the ICoN educational programme, through the site www.icon-lingua.it and equipped with asynchronous forum and chat services and opportunities for simultaneous interaction between students and tutors, using audio-visual techniques.

In order to use the on-line services for the course it is necessary for students to be equipped with: Windows 95 or subsequent operating system, the opportunity to connect to the Internet at a minimum of 56K, browser, audio card and microphone.

Tutors will give students preliminary information on how to approach study of the language. They will guide them constantly, providing and correcting exercises and tests during the course. They will answer questions asked in the class forum within 24 hours, in so far as this is compatible with differences in time zones, 5 days out of 7 and will constantly check progress in terms of learning.

At the end of the course the tutors will give students a final test and will issue a certificate on behalf of the ICoN Consortium. The final test will correspond with level A1, elementary, of the Common European Framework.

On demand students who have passed the final test can be helped to prepare the official test A1 of the Common European Framework.

Passing of the final test will lead to renewal of the award to go on to the intermediate and advanced level annual courses. The renewal is subject to the availability of financial means in the Autonomous Province of Trento's Budget.

After having passed the final test, students who so request will be assisted by their tutor in preparing the corresponding official examination, certified by the Universities for Foreigners in Perugia and Siena and by the University of Rome 3.

Each grant will cover, the costs being borne directly by the Autonomous Province of Trento, expenses related to:

- the cost of the annual award;
- the use of all tutoring and other on-line services as described above;

- audio/video lessons with conversation, phonetic and grammar improvement.

The costs related to Internet connection are the responsibility of each student.

Trentino emigrants and their descendants may apply, if resident abroad, having reached at least the age of 15 on the date of application.

The application form to the competition, which can be found on the website www.mondotrentino.net, must be sent to the email:

ufficio.emigrazione@pec.provincia.tn.it

and must be received, together with a photocopy of a current valid document (passport or identity card) by

OCTOBER, 2nd 2017

All applications meeting the requirements will be classified, giving precedence to younger candidates and ensuring each of the countries listed below the number of grants indicated:

COUNTRY	GRANTS FOR EACH COUNTRY	TOTAL
Brasile, Argentina	5	10
Australia, Canada, Cile, Messico, Uruguay, Paraguay, U.S.A.	4	28
Benelux, Bolivia, Bosnia – Erzegovina, Colombia, Perù, Romania, Svizzera	1	7
Altri paesi	5	5
TOTAL		50

Any grants not allocated according to the criteria given above will be allocated to the youngest candidates.

The awards may be revoked at any time in the event that it is ascertained that the course is not being followed in a continuous manner. If the cancellation happens within six months of the beginning of the courses, the licence will be re-assigned to the youngest of the excluded candidates.

In case of withdrawal 2 months after the beginning of the course without justified reasons, the cost the course will be charged to the student.

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