ROWAN UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF WORLD LANGUAGES

MODERN LANGUAGES & LINGUISTICS MAJOR CONCENTRATION / CERTIFICATE OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDY (CUGS) IN ITALIAN

The Modern Languages & Linguistics Major Concentration / Certificate of Undergraduate Study (CUGS) in Italian (12 s.h.) recognizes students' completion of 12 s.h. in Italian, which corresponds to Intermediate-level proficiency in the language. Intermediate-level proficiency in a world language is a valuable credential, as it represents the ability to live independently in a country where the target language is spoken. In general, according to the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), Intermediate-level speakers are able to create with the language, combining and recombining learned material to provide personal information, speak in sentences on a variety of familiar topics, ask questions, and initiate, sustain and conclude a simple social or transactional task.

For students with the Major in Modern Languages & Linguistics (MLL), this credential is referred to as a Concentration; for non-MLL majors, this credential is referred to as a Certificate (CUGS). This Concentration / Certificate in Italian may be declared in the Department of World Languages, Oak Hall 107, or by contacting the University Advising Center, Savitz Hall, Suite 323 (856-256-4459 / advise@rowan.edu). Students who have declared the program may schedule an advising appointment with the Program Advisor: Cindy Finer (finer@rowan.edu) for MLL Majors and Harold Thompson (thompsonh@rowan.edu) for non-MLL Majors.

The requirements include the following four, 3 s.h. courses:

ITAL 04.101 Elementary Italian I ITAL 04.102 Elementary Italian II ITAL 04.201 Intermediate Italian I ITAL 04.211 Intermediate Italian II

Students with existing proficiency in Italian should contact Dr. Alessandra Mirra (<u>mirra@rowan.edu</u>) for a placement interview. It is possible for students to earn credits for the courses that they skip via the Authorization for Credit by Examination process. Contact Dr. Alessandra Mirra (<u>mirra@rowan.edu</u>) for more details about this option.

Students may satisfy program requirements through coursework completed at Rowan University, transfer credits obtained from coursework at other institutions, study abroad, credits obtained through Advanced Placement (up to 12 s.h. in place of "Elementary Italian I," "Elementary Italian II," "Intermediate Italian I," and "Intermediate Italian II"). Credits obtained from higher level coursework in Italian may also be transferred in to substitute for any of the four courses listed above. All courses must be passed with a letter grade of "C-" or better and no courses may be taken P/NC. Students planning to study abroad must meet with the Program Mentor in order to determine course equivalents.