Students majoring in Italian study the grammatical aspects of Italian and learn about the culture, history, and literature of Italy. Class time is devoted to developing all four language skills; speaking, listening, reading, and writing, as well as a strong background in Italian culture. These skills are developed through the use of movies, newspapers, magazines, the internet, and workbook activities. As students' progress in the major and develop their language skills, they may choose from a variety of intermediate and advanced courses in language, culture, literature, and history, and may also consider study abroad. Visit the Foreign Language Center for up-to-date information on how foreign language skills can be put to use in the professional world, and to receive guidance on how to conduct online job searches, compose global resumes and develop strategies that relate to rewarding professional careers in the age of globalization.

**Career Areas/Job Titles:**

**Management and Industry**
Knowing Italian can complement any business profession in an international setting (trade, finance, engineering, etc.)

- Financial Services Officer
- Senior Account Executive
- Human Resources Director
- Flight Attendant
- Hotel Manager
- Travel Agent
- Tour Guide

**Communication and Media**

- Journalist
- Photographer
- Foreign News Correspondent
- Publisher
- Bilingual Production Assistant

**Health Professions**
- Translator/Interpreter
- Nurse
- ESL Instructor
- Professor/Teacher/Tutor
- Study Abroad Coordinator

**Linguistics Researcher**

**Government/Politics**
- International Diplomat
- United Nations Member
- Foreign Policy Analyst
- National Security Agent
- Immigration/Naturalization Officer
- Foreign Intelligence Manager
- Military Officer
- Immigration Attorney

**Education**

**Transferable Skills:**

- Basic Computer Skills
- Language Fluency
- Expressing Ideas
- Speaking Effectively
- Written Communication
- Cultural Understanding
- Social Perceptiveness
- Teaching/Instructioning Others
- Adaptability/Flexibility
- Analytical/Critical Thinking
- Attention to Detail
- Coaching/Mentoring

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: [http://ccss.osu.edu](http://ccss.osu.edu)*

**Professional Links:**

- International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language: [http://www.iatefl.org/](http://www.iatefl.org/)
- Occupational Outlook Handbook: Translators and Interpreters
- Foreign Language Center: [http://flc.osu.edu/undergraduate/careers](http://flc.osu.edu/undergraduate/careers)