

Italian Studies

Undergraduate Degree Programs

General B.A., 3-Year, Italian Studies

Minor in Italian Studies

Minor in Italian Language

Option in Italian Studies

St. Jerome's University, one of the Arts-related University Colleges at Waterloo, has been offering courses at the undergraduate level in Italian language, culture, and literature since the early 1960s. Italian Studies attracts students from diverse academic fields and cultural backgrounds.

It in fact serves:

- students wishing to acquire a fuller understanding of their cultural and linguistic heritage, of the broader Italian Canadian community, and of Italy's influence in the world,
- students from Fine Arts and Classical Studies for whom stages of study in Italy prove indispensable in the course of their education,
- students in related fields such as Music, Religious Studies, Medieval Studies, English, French, Spanish, and other European literatures, whose development is formed significantly by the artistic, religious, and literary folds of Italian culture,
- students in other programs such as Economics, Mathematics, Accounting, and Engineering wishing to establish professional, commercial, and academic links with Italy's expanding economic role in the European Union. With a population of 59 million, Italy is the sixth largest economy in the world. In Canada, Italian Canadians form the fourth largest ethno-cultural group,
- students from the School of Architecture who spend an academic year in Rome as part of their degree requirements,
- students wishing to pursue graduate work in Italian Studies in North America or Europe.

Italian Studies contributes to the intellectual formation of students through instruction provided in our first-rate undergraduate academic plans that lead to specializations in literature, language, and culture. Showcasing a true commitment to "distinguished" teaching and original research and scholarship that promote a type of comparative discourse conducive to greater awareness of and sensitivity toward other cultures, the instructors seek to inspire

Courses in the Major

ITALIAN (taught in Italian)

Language Courses

Introduction to Italian Language
Intermediate Italian
Italian for Business and Technology

Literature and Culture Courses

Issues in Contemporary Italian Society
Medieval Italian Literature
Renaissance Italian Literature
The Italian Novel and Cinema
Modern Italian Poetry and Theatre
Italian Studies in Italy
Directed Readings

ITALIAN STUDIES (taught in English)

Women, Family, Sex and Tradition in Italy
Great Works in Italian Literature
Modern Italy
Italian Canadian Experience
Italian Culture and Civilization
Medieval Italian Literature
Renaissance Italian Literature
Dante's Divine Comedy
The Italian Novel and Cinema
Modern Italian Poetry and Theatre
Italian Studies in Italy
Women Writers of the Italian Renaissance

ARCHITECTURE

Renaissance to Revolution
Italian Renaissance Architecture
Italian Urban History
Rome and the Campagna
The Development of Modern Italian Architecture

CLASSICAL STUDIES

Roman History
Medieval Society
Survey of Roman Literature
Roman Art and Architecture
Classical Studies Abroad

students to fully develop their communicative and intellectual skills in one of the four major languages and cultures in our Canadian multicultural landscape. The acquisition of Italian is enhanced in some courses by state of the art technology and online study. Further fundamental skills in language acquisition as well as in literary and cultural studies can be refined through our exchange program with the University of Calabria in Italy. The 3-Year Major plan in Italian Studies provides a full array of courses, for the most part taught in English, that offers students a thorough and unhindered access to a culture and a literature which continue to contribute in a significant way to the development of western letters and thought.

The Italian Studies faculty members at both St. Jerome's and the University of Waterloo pursue a wide variety of research interests which are reflected in the various course offerings. These range from Medieval and Renaissance literature and culture courses to Dante's *Divine Comedy*, from the Modern Italian Novel and Cinema to Italian Women Writing, and from Great Works in Italian Literature to the Italian-Canadian Experience, to mention but a few. Furthermore, the Italian Studies faculty members at St. Jerome's are fully engaged in ongoing original research which not only enhances their classroom stance but sees them participating actively in the University of Waterloo's graduate programs as well as serving on Masters and Doctorate supervising and examining committees at other Canadian and Italian universities.

University of Calabria Exchange

The Italian Studies program in conjunction with the *Corso di Laurea in Lettere* of the University of Calabria (Unical), offers term or full-year studies at the Italian university, under the auspices of the tripartite exchange agreement between St. Jerome's University, the University of Waterloo and Unical. Students in various disciplines may apply, provided they have an adequate knowledge of Italian (normally ITAL 201 and ITAL 202 or equivalent). Students enrolled in the various Italian Studies academic plans may transfer some or all units taken at Unical's above-mentioned program of studies towards the fulfillment of their University of Waterloo degree, subject to the Faculty of Arts residency requirements and transfer credit policies.

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Courses (cont.)

FINE ARTS

Renaissance Art
Art of the 16th Century in Europe
Roman Art and Architecture
Contemporary Italian Film

HISTORY

Roman History
Canada: The Immigrant Experience

LATIN

Introductory Latin
Vergil

MUSIC

Opera

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Perspectives on the Papacy

Careers

Interpreter (private or for government agency)
Court interpreter
Translator (government, courts, publishing houses)
Tourism
Teaching
Government Positions (both in Canada and in Italy)
Cultural Management
International Relations
International Law
Broadcasting and Journalism
Community Social Worker

For more information about Italian Studies, please visit:

www.sju.ca/courses/italian/italian.html

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