

# LEARN ITALIAN IN ITALY

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# 50 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

*We founded the first LINGUAVIVA School in 1976 in Florence with the aim of encouraging international students to learn Italian, to know our culture and to experience Italy.*

*During the past 45 years of activity Linguaviva Group has gained an international reputation for academic excellence and high level of services.*

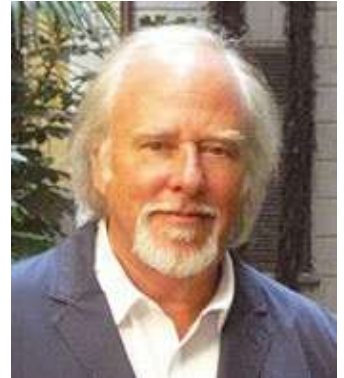
*We have been committed to continual improvement and Linguaviva prides itself of maintaining high levels of satisfaction and good services to our students and partners worldwide.*

*Our extensive range of Italian programmes has been designed to ensure that the specific needs of each individual are met: general Italian, vocational programmes in fine arts and design, culinary arts programme, Italian for business, internship experience, academic studies in Italy and a residential summer programme for juniors by the sea.*

*Effective and quality language learning, modern teaching approach, high quality and enthusiasm of our professional teachers, excellent accommodation and the overall care and services provided for our students are the keys to our commitment and success.*

*In Italy we offer the possibility to experience our Programmes in Florence and Milan throughout the year, in Lignano, summer programme for juniors, located on the Adriatic sea, close to Venice.*

*In our International centres in Shanghai and Tokyo we offer the same level of high quality teaching.*



**Alessandro Vidoni**  
CEO & Founder of LINGUAVIVA



# TEN GOOD REASONS TO CHOOSE LINGUAVIVA

## 1. AN EXTENSIVE RANGE OF PROGRAMMES

Our range of Italian language courses in Italy has been designed to meet the specific needs of all our students. Many of our students choose Linguaviva schools as their gateway to further studies in design, fashion, culinary arts or music or for their professional careers. Linguaviva courses and schools offer also the opportunity of learning Italian combining language and leisure activities. Young learners through our Junior program will discover that a study holiday in Italy is fun and an experience to repeat with more friends.

## 2. CHOICE OF LOCATIONS

You can choose to spend time studying at more than one school during your stay in Italy. You can combine courses in Florence and Milan.

## 3. OUR CARE FOR STUDENTS

Linguaviva offers a comprehensive and full service to all its students. Each student is treated as an individual. In addition to our academic staff, full time staff looks after student's welfare and accommodation needs. To help students relax and make the most of their visit to Italy, we employ activities organizers to arrange cultural and social events.

## 4. EXPERIENCED TEACHERS AND STAFF

In our schools we have a team of skilled teachers who are carefully chosen because of their qualifications and varied background experience and fully engaged, friendly staff who will make you feel at home. Whether you have an important question or just want to chat for a few minutes, our staff are always glad to see you.

## 5. CHOICE OF ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

Linguaviva schools offer an excellent selection of accommodation to meet your needs.

All accommodation used by the schools has been inspected by a school accommodation officer and is of good quality. You may choose from different options: Homestay, Shared Flat, Independent Flat.

## 6. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Linguaviva schools offer a daily programme of social activities, which will help you to practise your language skills, broaden your knowledge of Italian culture and enjoy yourself with your new friends. You will be able to choose from a rich and diverse range of leisure, sporting and cultural activities. While visiting museums, on an excursion to a beautiful city, tasting wine, eating food, enjoying a sport you will enrich your Linguaviva experience.

## 7. INTERNATIONAL AWARD WINNING SCHOOL

Over the past years Linguaviva reputation of being one of the best Italian schools in Italy has been confirmed also by winning several and important international awards of the educational industry.

## 8. INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

Every year over 3000 students from more than 60 countries attend Linguaviva courses for adults and young learners in Italy. In each school you will enjoy a friendly and lively multinational environment.

## 9. LEVELS

Throughout the year Linguaviva offers from beginner to advanced levels, making sure that your learning needs are always attended.

## 10. EFFECTIVE LANGUAGE TRAINING

Our modern communicative approach will stimulate your interest in learning our language. The course contents cover all aspects of grammar, vocabulary, speaking, listening, reading and writing. Teachers focus on active participation and interaction during lessons.



### MINISTRY OF EDUCATION ACCREDITED EXAMINATION CENTRES FOR PLIDA CERTIFICATION

Linguaviva is accredited by Società Dante Alighieri as exam center for PLIDA Italian certification.

### IALC

The International Association of Language Centres is an association of leading independent language schools. Linguaviva is a member of IALC and accredited through IALC Quality scheme in all areas of language school operation.

### ASILS

Linguaviva Group is member of ASILS, the professional Association of Schools of Italian as Second Language which guarantees quality to all students.

### CSN

In Sweden, Linguaviva Group is accredited by CSN (National Board of Student Aid) through the Swedish National Agency for Higher Education.

### BILDUNGSURLAUB

Bildungsurlaub means educational leave and German employees are entitled to 5 days paid leave every year to study at a recognised institute. Linguaviva in Florence and Milan are accredited by these Federal States: Berlin, Brandenburg, Bremen, Hamburg, Hessen, Niedersachsen, Saarland; Schleswig-Holstein.

### STUDY TRAVEL

The most important language travel industry magazine conducts a worldwide survey every year among study abroad consultants, educational agencies and educational providers to identify the star organization in International Education. For the Italian programmes in Italy LINGUAVIVA has won this prestigious award 5 times, gaining the ST Super Star Italian School Title

UED is the Association of International Education Counselors Turkey, which groups the most important educational travel agencies. The UED Awards is the only competition to identify Turkish agents' and their students' choices and reward the institutions that provide the best services for Turkish students and agents. Linguaviva has been honoured by UED of the award Best Italian School many times.

# A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES TO HELP YOU



LINGUAVIVA Group offers a wide range of services to help you adjust to living and studying in Italy.

You can take advantage of some services even before leaving your country.

## BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME

Our qualified staff or our authorized Agents can help you:

- Select the programme most suitable to your needs
- Complete your application
- Assist you to obtain your visa
- Select and arrange your accommodation
- On request we can arrange for you to be met at the airport

## ORIENTATION ON ARRIVAL

On the first day of your course you need to report to reception at Linguaviva or Linguadue at 8.45 am. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a designated holiday on the Monday – in which case your first day will be on the Tuesday.

Your course will begin with an introduction which will include:

- A welcome talk and an orientation with information about the city, school, staff and school organization.
- An overview of school activities and excursions.
- A Placement test to determine your Italian level if you have some knowledge of Italian, so that you can be assigned to the most appropriate class for your level of Italian.

If you are a beginner student after the initial orientation you will start with your first Italian class.

In the afternoon there will be a short walking tour of the city and school surroundings.

Bring the following items with you on your first day:

- \_Your passport or ID
- \_Linguaviva documents
- \_One passport-sized photo
- \_Pen for note-taking purposes

## OUR SUPPORT & WELFARE SERVICE

Our student services will help you to make the most out of your stay at Linguaviva schools.

Whether you have an important question or just want to chat for a few minutes, our staff are always glad to see you.

Our officers will help you with issues such as:

- Full assistance with permit of stay procedures
- Assistance with personal matters such as opening a bank account or finding a doctor
- Student card for discount in shops, bars and other facilities
- Information pack with student guide and city map available for all students

## HOUSING SERVICE

LINGUAVIVA schools offer an excellent selection of accommodation to meet your needs.

All accommodation used by the schools has been inspected by a school accommodation officer and is of good quality.

You may choose from different options:

Homestay, Shared Flat, Independent Flat.

Accommodation is available from the Sunday before the beginning of the course through to the Saturday after the course ends.

## TRANSFER SERVICE

You may choose to be met on arrival at the airport of Florence, Milan Malpensa or Linate, Venice for Lignano.

You will be met by our professional staff

and will be escorted to your accommodation.

This service can be requested upon enrolment.

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The schools organize a daily programme of activities exclusively for you. You will have the possibility to broaden your knowledge of Italian culture, visit famous cities and to enjoy yourself with your new friends.

Your teachers will always be with you to help you improve your Italian and better understand Italian life and customs.

## UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT COUNSELLING SERVICE

Linguaviva has a dedicated department for Italian University and Higher Education in Italy to offer free advice and help to our students. We can advise you on all aspects of applying to universities and higher education institutions in Italy.

## WIRELESS INTERNET

Free WiFi is available throughout the schools for students that bring their own laptop.

Students that don't bring their own laptop can use one of the computers that are available for students at our schools.

## OUR STUDENTS SAY...

### Shay

21 years from Israel

*From the first moment I arrived at Linguaviva everything was completely amazing.*

*The staff consists of kind and lovely people, all of my teachers were very nice, funny and professional.*

*The staff at the reception, the free time activities and the accommodation office were also really kind and helpful.*

*I enjoyed the lessons very much, I learned a lot and met many new friends.*



# LEARNING ITALIAN WITH LINGUAVIVA

## METHOD

Linguaviva Group offers a learning programme to meet the needs of all students, from beginners to advanced, who want to improve their Italian for personal, vocational, academic or professional purposes.

Our modern communicative approach will stimulate your interest in learning our language. The course contents cover all aspects of grammar, vocabulary, speaking, listening, reading and writing.

Teachers will use a range of teaching techniques including whole class teaching and group and pair work. During our language courses you will use a textbook which you can purchase at school and your teacher will provide extra learning material for each class. As no translation is used in the classroom you will be making rapid progress in Italian.

## TEACHERS

All our teachers, native level Italian speakers, have professional teaching qualifications and are selected for their enthusiasm as well as their ability. Friendly and accessible, they appreciate the needs of students and take an active role in planning courses.

## LEVELS

On your first day at school you take a specially designed written, listening and oral placement test, so that we can place you in the appropriate group for your language level. According to the Common European Framework we offer A1, A2, B1, B2, C1 levels corresponding to 13 levels of Linguaviva Learning Scale ranging from complete beginner to advanced. Use this chart to help identify your starting level and to assess how long you may need to study in order to reach your required level.

## PROGRESS TESTS

We hold regular progress tests, these enable you and your teachers to measure your language development and evaluate your performance over a period of time. Each level can be completed in 4 weeks. At the end of each level, after successful completion of a test you can progress to the next level.

## CERTIFICATES

When you have successfully completed your course you can ask for a Linguaviva certificate showing the length of the course and the language level achieved. These are the available certificates:

**Certificate of Enrolment** can be requested before you leave for Italy. It is necessary to apply for a study visa, it states the type and length of course.

**Certificate of Attendance** states the type of course you have attended, its duration and the level you have completed.

**Certificate of Linguistic Competence** issued after the end of the course exam at all levels.







COMMON EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK	LINGUAVIVA LEVELS		LESSONS	DESCRIPTION OF ITALIAN PROFICIENCY	CILS AND PLIDA CERTIFICATE	ACHIEVEMENTS
<b>C1</b>	<b>Advanced</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>80</b>	You have no difficulty in understanding any kind of spoken language. You can read with ease virtually all forms of the written language. You can express yourself fluently and convey finer shades of meaning precisely. You can write clear, smoothly-flowing texts in an appropriate style.	<b>CILS 3 PLIDA C1</b>	This level is required to enter the Italian speaking job market.
		<b>11</b>	<b>80</b>	You have no difficulty in understanding any kind of spoken language, whether live or broadcast. You can participate fluently in discussion on a wide variety of topics and use idiomatic expressions and any colloquialism.		
		<b>10</b>	<b>80</b>	You can take part effortlessly in any conversation or discussion and have a good level of familiarity with some idiomatic expressions and colloquialisms.		
<b>B2</b>	<b>Upper Intermediate</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>80</b>	You can formulate ideas and opinions with precision and relate your contribution skilfully to those of other speakers. You can present clear and detailed descriptions of complex subjects. You can understand specialised articles even when they are not related to your field.	<b>CILS 2 PLIDA B2</b>	This level is required to attend graduate and post-graduate Academic programmes.
		<b>8</b>	<b>80</b>	You can express yourself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions. You can use the language flexibly and effectively for social and professional purposes. You can understand television programmes and films without too much effort.		
		<b>7</b>	<b>80</b>	You can present clear, detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects related to your field of interest. You can explain a viewpoint on a topical issue. You can understand most TV news, current affairs programmes and the majority of films in standard language.		
<b>B1</b>	<b>Intermediate</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>80</b>	You can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity with native speakers. You can take an active part in discussions in familiar contexts, accounting for and sustaining your views.	<b>CILS 1 PLIDA B1</b>	This level is required to attend the Preparatory Course for University Admission and vocational programmes in Fashion and Design.
		<b>5</b>	<b>80</b>	You can enter unprepared into a conversation on familiar and personal interest topics. You can narrate a story or relate the plot of a book or film and describe your reactions. You can understand the main points of many radio or TV programmes on current affairs.		
		<b>4</b>	<b>80</b>	You can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. You can understand most of the conversations on topics that are familiar, or of personal interest. You can understand the main points of clear standard speech on familiar matters: work, school, leisure, etc.		
<b>A2</b>	<b>Elementary</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>80</b>	You can handle very short social exchanges, participate in a communicative situation, even though you can't usually understand enough to keep the conversation going yourself.	<b>CILS A2 PLIDA A2</b>	This level is required to attend practical courses in Arts & Design and Culinary Arts for amateurs.
		<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	You can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar topics and activities. You can describe in simple terms your family and other people, living conditions and job.		
<b>A1</b>	<b>Beginner</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>80</b>	You can use simple phrases and sentences to describe or to ask for some things. You can write a postcard or brief messages and read very short and simple texts.	<b>CILS A1 PLIDA A1</b>	

# THE FLORENCE EXPERIENCE

Florence is one of the world's most beautiful cities with its historic centre classified as a UNESCO World Heritage site. In a relatively small area Florence contains a wealth of Renaissance art treasures among streets that were once walked by their great creators like Michelangelo, Botticelli and Leonardo da Vinci. While Florence remains an artistic, architectural and a cultural gem, it is not locked in time; the city pulses with life from scurrying students in the university quarter to the businessmen who whiz by on their vespas. Linguaviva offers you the opportunity to study Italian in Florence, which is considered the birthplace of Italian language. You will be overwhelmed by the artistic richness of the city and enjoy the friendly and international atmosphere in our Italian school in Florence.



## MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Florence, might seem like an open air museum to most visitors. However, we suggest visiting one or two museums out of 72 museums full of masterpieces. There you will find the paintings, sculptures and frescoes imagined and created by the greatest minds of all time. Museums such as the Uffizi Gallery are not to be missed!

## EATING OUT

In Florence while there are many grand gourmet restaurants, you can still eat simple, hearty local dishes at extremely reasonable prices. Tuscan cooking is historically at the root of Italian cuisine, and Florence has a strong claim to being the birthplace of Italian gastronomy.

From classic trattorias to market stalls, Florence is one of the best places to enjoy simple, delicious Tuscan food.

## SHOPPING & MARKETS

Florence is a great shopping destination for both shops and beautiful markets. Florence means one thing: style. Walking around the city you will find shops selling fashionable clothes, antiques and jewelry as well as typical Florentine crafts. You can explore the stylish boutiques lined up alongside the galleries and palazzi. Few cities of comparable size can boast such a profusion and variety of high-quality goods. There are many markets in Florence, and together with the daily markets there are even weekly and monthly markets. You will find that markets are generally selling either leather and other souvenirs, food or household goods.

## NIGHTLIFE

Florence is known for its spectacular renaissance architecture, but after sunset the city has other interesting aspects and its compact layout makes club hopping easy.

Nightclubbing is fun and meeting point of students, travelers and dance-loving florentines alike, who come together and prove that you can party all night also in Florence.

## MUSIC & THEATRE

Italian Opera was born in Florence over 400 years ago. Its musical tradition continues and music lovers will enjoy performances of various kind: opera, classical music and the latest music trends.

The music and opera season, which lasts from October to April, is followed from the end of April to early July by the Maggio Musicale Fiorentino, a festival which attracts conductors and musicians from all over the world.







#### OUR STUDENTS SAY...

##### **Amanda**

32 years from Mexico

*The international environment at Linguaviva is very diverse and exciting. Everybody, from teachers and the staff to other students were very helpful and friendly.*

*Living in Florence is a wonderful experience for those who love art, history, culture and great food!*





# LINGUAVIVA CAMPUS IN FLORENCE



Our school is centrally located, in a quiet street next to the main railway station. It occupies two floors in an elegant 19<sup>th</sup> century building and one floor in a similar building on the opposite side of the street. Classrooms are bright and airy, provided with air conditioning and audio - visual equipment. Students at Linguaviva benefit from a very stimulating international atmosphere with students from 60 different countries. It is an ideal location for a study and cultural stay.

## KEY FACTS



CAPACITY



CLASSROOMS

MAX GROUP  
SIZEMINIMUM  
AGE

SMALL GARDEN



FREE WI-FI

HIGH QUALITY  
ACCOMMODATIONRICH LEISURE  
ACTIVITIES  
PROGRAMME

## OUR STUDENTS SAY...

### Carlos

26 years from Venezuela

*El ambiente es agradable, profesores bien amigables y capacitados. Aconsejaria Florencia para estudiar italiano porque es una ciudad con mucho valor historico y es una ciudad que es perfecta para jovens estudiantes.*

## COURSES

- GENERAL ITALIAN
- ITALIAN + COOKING
- ITALIAN + ART, DESIGN, PHOTOGRAPHY
- SUMMER PROGRAMME FOR JUNIORS
- PREPARATORY FOR UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION
- CULTURAL PROGRAMME FOR 50+
- WINE LOVERS PROGRAMME

## ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

- HOMESTAY WITH HALF BOARD
- HOMESTAY WITH BREAKFAST
- SHARED FLAT (SELF CATERING)

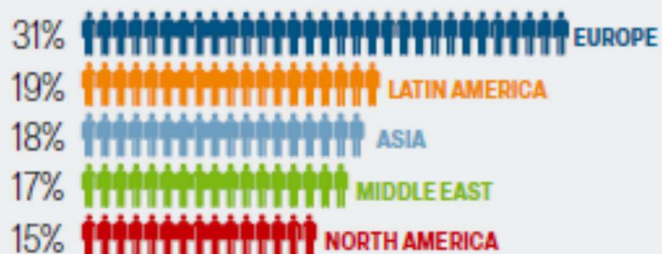






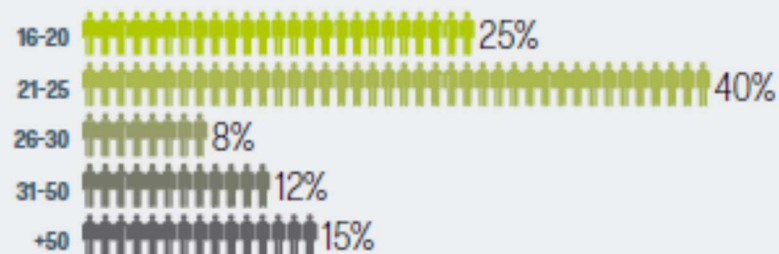
### INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

STUDENTS COME FROM MORE THAN 60 COUNTRIES



### AGE OF OUR STUDENTS

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# THE MILAN EXPERIENCE

Milan is Italy's richest and second largest city and is best known as Italy's style, fashion and design capital. Milan holds several historic and artistic attractions, including the largest Gothic cathedral in the world, Leonardo da Vinci's Last Supper painting and the famous La Scala Opera House. With something almost Northern European in the air, yet exuding Italian style, Milan is Italy's most cosmopolitan city. It is also a top study destination. Fashion, Design, Architecture, Engineering, Music, Economics, Fine Arts are prominent fields of studies in Milan, attracting students from all over the world. In our Italian school in Milan you will have the opportunity to learn Italian, receive a very good preparation for your further academic or professional studies, while discovering a very stimulating and dynamic city.



## MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Off the beaten tourist tracks Milan still offers a wide range of museums with invaluable masterpieces. Milan boasts a richness and unique variety of museums. Amongst these is the most prestigious, the Pinacoteca di Brera, that preserves artworks of extraordinary artistic value inside its walls, and also the Castello Sforzesco (Sforza Castle) one of the symbols of Milan. The latter hosts Michelangelo's Pietà Rondanini in its museums. Worthy of note are the lovely museum houses. They preserve works of art, furniture, jewellery and objects in striking buildings of great historical value. Not to be missed Leonardo Da Vinci's Last Supper.

## SHOPPING & MARKETS

Milan is shopping. Milan is known all over the world as one of the temples of high fashion. Milan's boutiques fit into one square, bordered by via della Spiga, via Manzoni, via Sant'Andrea and via Montenapoleone: the Quadrilatero d'Oro (Rectangle of Gold). In the Brera district, which is predominantly pedestrian area, you will find beautiful jewelry shops, small boutiques and artisan handmade fashion. More reasonable shopping areas include the pedestrian area around Duomo, Corso Vittorio Emanuele, Via Torino and Corso Buenos Aires, where mid-range international brands proliferate



## EATING OUT

Milanese love food and eating out. Though stressed by time and work they love starting their day with a 'colazione al bar' (breakfast), having a short break at lunch time and to round off the working day with an aperitivo. Milano is truly international food wise and you can enjoy a typical risotto Milanese as well as a good sushi. Milanese love both!

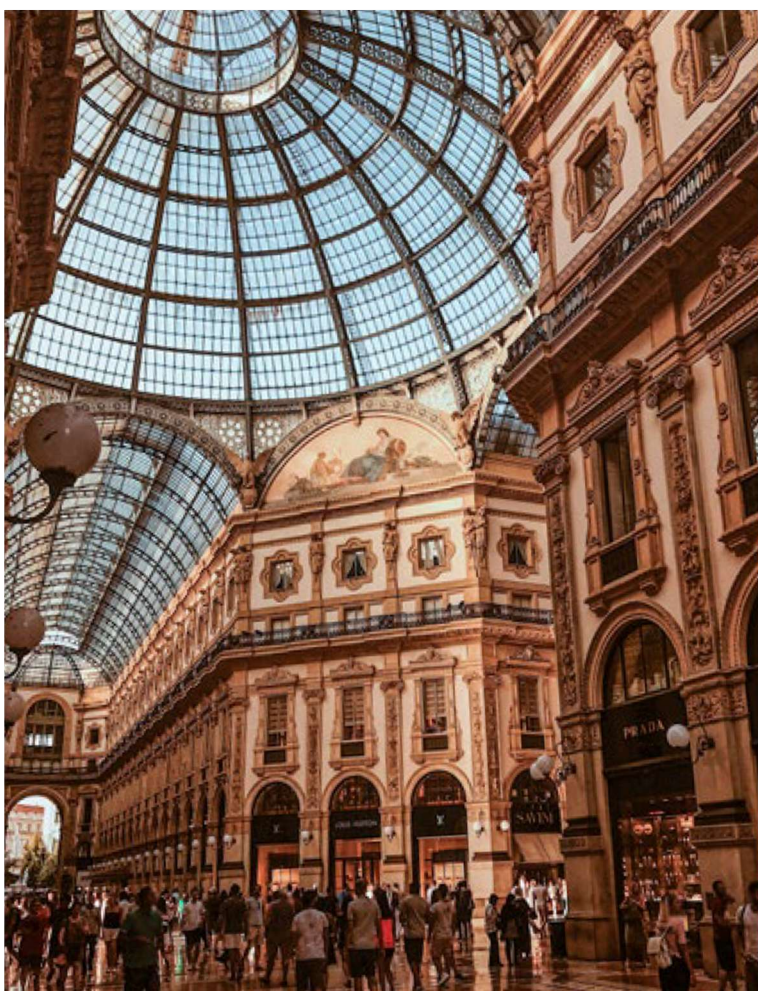
## NIGHTLIFE

'Work hard, party hard', Milan' nightlife has a diverse and lively club scene. Usually, parties start on Thursdays, and that party atmosphere continues until Sunday nights. Milan has hundreds and hundreds of bars, pubs, cafés, and wine cellars. Milan's nightlife scene is lively, rich and varied. There are plenty of live music spots for lovers of disco, salsa, rock, jazz, alternative and even classical sounds.

## MUSIC & THEATRE

Milano has an ample cultural offer that includes opera, drama, modern dance, ballet, cabaret, musical and shows dedicated to children. For centuries, some of its theatres and opera houses have been the performance sites of some of the best opera singers, composers and musicians, dancers, and playwrights and actors, both traditional and avant-garde. Since its inauguration in 1778, La Scala is one of the most important opera houses in the world.











# LINGUADUE, LINGUAVIVA CAMPUS IN MILAN

LINGUADUE since 1990 has been offering international students the opportunity to learn Italian in Milan, in a friendly and thoroughly enjoyable atmosphere. The school is located in a much-loved district in Milano Navigli, known for its unique charm and lively atmosphere. Students will enjoy an unusual and very appealing area of Milan with typical houses, courtyards with artists and little shops. The school is easy to reach at 5 minutes walking distance from Metro station Porta Genova. The Italian language courses organized by Linguadue are attended by international students from more than 60 different countries, mostly interested in design, fashion, music and business. Linguadue offers the possibility to study Italian language for their profession, their further studies, for everyday situations.

## KEY FACTS

<b>180</b> STUDENTS	CAPACITY		FREE INTERNET AND WIRELESS ACCESS
<b>8</b>	CLASSROOMS		HIGH-QUALITY ACCOMMODATION
<b>14</b> STUDENTS	MAX. GROUP SIZE		IDEALLY SUITED FOR ACADEMIC STUDENTS AND PROFESSIONALS
<b>+18</b> YEARS	MINIMUM AGE		PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MOST IMPORTANT UNIVERSITIES AND HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTES FOR DESIGN AND FASHION



### COURSES

- GENERAL ITALIAN
- PREPARATORY FOR UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION
- CULTURAL PROGRAMME FOR 50+
- SUMMER PROGRAMME FOR JUNIORS
- PREPARATORY FOR PLIDA EXAM

### ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

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### OUR STUDENTS SAY...

#### Massimo

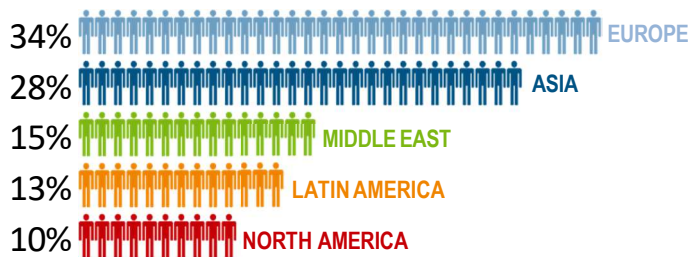
25 years from Belgium

As for the school and infrastructure, the new place where the school is located is really nice in the Navigli area with all the bars and restaurants close by, it's a pleasure to go there. I felt very comfortable in this school. As for the people who work there, the management and secretariat are very welcoming and helpful and most importantly, the teachers I have had are wonderful! Students from all over the world are also often very nice people. It was a very nice experience that I recommend to everyone who wants to learn Italian in Milan.



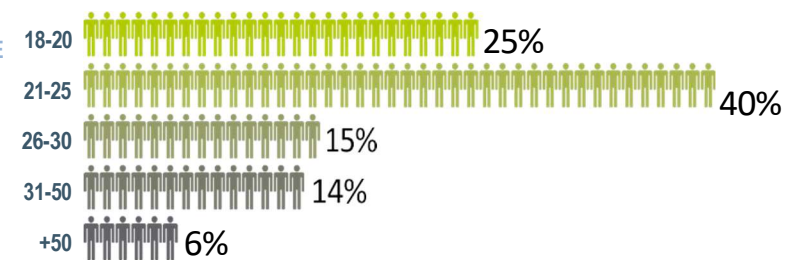
### INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

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### OUR STUDENTS SAY...

#### Lauren

27 years from USA

I recommend Linguadue for any student or young working professional. The school provides an easy, comfortable, and safe atmosphere for learning Italian at any level. As a young working professional, I take private lessons and look forward to attending them. I have an amazing teacher who is very supportive and understanding.

# GENERAL ITALIAN COURSES IN FLORENCE AND MILAN

## STANDARD COURSE

### 20 Lessons per week

The aim of the course is to increase student confidence in using Italian, consolidating language knowledge and fluency.

All four skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking are developed. Classes are lively and stimulating. Students are provided with useful vocabulary and relevant grammar presented in a range of topical contexts. Each level can be completed in 4 weeks. At the end of each course after successful completion of a test students will progress to the next level.

Available in	Florence, Milan
Lessons	20 lessons per week, 4 lessons per day Monday through Friday. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes
Schedule	Morning or afternoon
Duration	Min. 1 week
Group size	Max. 14 students
Levels	From complete beginner to advanced
Starting dates	Complete beginners should refer to starting dates in our booking guide. Students having some previous knowledge of Italian may enroll to begin their course on any Monday



## INTENSIVE COURSE

### 30 Lessons per week

This course is designed for motivated students who need to improve their Italian language skills either for general use or for their study or work. In the morning you will develop your general Italian language skills. In the afternoon you will have the opportunity to spend more time to focus on specific aspects of Italian language and culture. You can improve your Italian communication skills and you will be given further practice in areas such as conversation and vocabulary expansion. You will be given an insight into Italian culture and lifestyle through lectures and practical language activities.

Available in	Florence, Milan
Lessons	30 lessons per week, 6 lessons per day Monday through Friday. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes
Schedule	4 lessons in the morning and 2 lessons in the afternoon
Duration	Min. 1 week
Group size	Max. 14 students
Levels	From complete beginner to advanced
Starting dates	Complete beginners should refer to starting dates in our booking guide. Students having some previous knowledge of Italian may enroll to begin their course on any Monday



## SUPER-INTENSIVE COURSE

### 30 Lessons per week (20 in group + 10 individual)

This option allows you to combine a Standard course in the morning with individual lessons in the afternoon. This is a flexible language course suited to your individual needs. You can concentrate on improving specific aspects of the language and on developing the abilities and the vocabulary needed in your professional life or for your studies. While learning in a group is stimulating and challenging, the individual tuition provides maximum concentration on special requirements which are established by a questionnaire we previously send you, in which you can indicate the language needs you would like to focus on.

You will benefit both from group interaction and a personalized language training.

Available in	Florence, Milan
Lessons	30 lessons per week, 6 lessons per day Monday through Friday. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes
Schedule	4 group lessons in the morning and 2 individual lessons in the afternoon
Duration	Min. 1 week
Group size	Max. 14 students
Levels	From complete beginner to advanced
Starting dates	Complete beginners should refer to starting dates in our booking guide. Students having some previous knowledge of Italian may enroll to begin their course on any Monday







## OUR STUDENTS SAY...

### Maxim

26 years from Russia

*An excellent school! Everything is on high level: method of teaching, atmosphere and classes. Great teachers! Their energy and enthusiasm made even hard lessons a pleasure.*

*Highly recommend this school for those who want to start learning or improving their Italian*

## ONE-TO-ONE COURSE

20 / 30 / 40 Lessons per week

This fully personalized, intensive language training is particularly suited to professionals and executives. This is a flexible language course suited to your individual needs and it includes a detailed language needs analysis, which is previously sent to you and allows you to specify your needs and objectives before the course starts. Your input will help us draft a fully tailor-made course of direct practical relevance for you and for your specific needs. The course can be tailored for professionals in commercial and economic fields. If you require a training in business Italian you should have an intermediate or advanced knowledge of Italian. A One-to-One programme will quickly improve your general or specialized Italian knowledge.

**Available in** Florence, Milan

**Lessons** 20, 30, 40 lessons per week  
from 4 to 8 lessons per day.  
Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Duration** Min. 1 weeks

**Levels** From complete beginner to advanced

**Starting dates** Any Monday



## PREPARATORY COURSE FOR PLIDA EXAM

10 Lessons per week

Linguaviva in Milan is an accredited examination centre for PLIDA Italian certification.

These language tests assess 6 levels of Italian language knowledge according to the Common European Framework: A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2. For each level the exams test all language abilities: listening, reading, grammar, writing and speaking.

Individual PLIDA preparation in Milan will allow you to focus on strengthening your knowledge, understand the areas you need to work on the most and will prepare you to pass the exam successfully.

**Available in** Florence, Milan

**Lessons** 10 lessons per week  
Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Duration** Min. 1 weeks

**Levels** Elementary to advanced

**Starting dates** Any Monday



## ONLINE ONE-TO-ONE COURSE



Linguaviva's Online One-to-One Italian Classes, designed to enhance your Italian language skills no matter where you are - be it in Italy, at home, or in your office. Our highly qualified and experienced teachers

provide personalized language training tailored to your specific needs. The online Individual Italian tuition is a fully personalized Italian language training, particularly suited to professionals and executives. Schedule is flexible and can be adapted to your requirements.

**Available in** Florence, Milan

**Lessons** Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Duration** Flexible

**Levels** From complete beginner to advanced

**Starting dates** Any Monday



# ITALIAN PLUS IN FLORENCE

## ITALIAN + ARTS IN FLORENCE

Linguaviva offers in partnership with an International Art School, a rich programme combining Italian language with courses in Fashion Design, Interior Design, Photography and Painting. The programme provides monthly courses.

### MONTHLY PROGRAMME - 4 WEEKS

#### 28 Lessons per week

The programme is suitable for participants who wish to combine Italian language lessons and art, design or photography and to enjoy the opportunity of following an art course in the heart of Florence. An elementary knowledge of the Italian language is required as the art programmes are held in Italian.

No previous experience in art is requested. Italian lessons take place Monday to Friday in the morning at Linguaviva School, art classes take place in the afternoon at the Art School according to a schedule which will be given to you at the beginning of each programme.

**Available in** Florence

### ITALIAN LANGUAGE

**Lessons** 20 lessons per week, 4 lessons per day, Monday through Friday. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Schedule** Morning

**Duration** 4, 8, 12 weeks

**Group size** Max. 14 students

**Levels** From complete beginner to advanced

**Starting dates** Please refer to our booking guide for starting dates

### ART COURSES

**Lessons** 8 lessons per week. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Schedule** Afternoon

**Duration** 4, 8, 12 weeks

**Language** Courses are held in Italian

**Options** Students may choose one of the following programmes:

- Fashion Design
- Photography
- Painting

**Starting dates** Please refer to our booking guide for starting dates.



## ITALIAN WINE LOVERS IN FLORENCE

### 25 Lessons per week

The Italian Wine Lovers course is designed for all those who simply love wine and wish to enjoy a full-immersion experience in the world of Italian wines in an astounding location.

The course will combine Italian Standard Course in the morning, and wine lessons in the afternoon, and it will focus also on the cultural, historical and traditional aspects of the Italian wine world.

**Available in** Florence

**Lessons** 25 lessons. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Schedule** Italian classes in the morning, wine lessons in the afternoon

**Duration** 2 weeks

**Language** Courses are held in Italian

**Starting dates** Please refer to our booking guide for starting dates

## ITALIAN + COOKING IN FLORENCE

### 28 Lessons per week

Linguaviva offers, with its Culinary Art School Partner, an exciting programme combining Italian language in the morning with cooking classes in the afternoon. The culinary programme is held in Italian, therefore, to attend this course a basic knowledge of Italian is enough. Each lesson will present a theme of Italian basic cuisine common to all regions in Italy with a special attention to Tuscan cuisine. The teacher will introduce the subject and illustrate the most important cooking techniques, afterwards a complete menu will be prepared together with the whole class. Each student will receive a complimentary folder with class recipes and personal apron.

**Available in** Florence

### ITALIAN LANGUAGE

**Lessons** 20 lessons per week, 4 lessons per day, Monday through Friday. Each lesson lasts 45 minutes

**Schedule** Morning

**Duration** Min. 2 weeks

**Group size** Max. 14 students

**Levels** From complete beginner to advanced

**Starting dates** Please refer to our booking guide for starting dates

### COOKING COURSE

**Lessons** 8 hours per week, 2 weekly sessions of 4 hours each

**Schedule** Afternoon

**Duration** 2, 3, 4 weeks

**Language** Course IS held in Italian

**Starting dates** Please refer to our booking guide for starting dates. Cooking courses are suspended during the month of August





# ACCOMMODATION IN FLORENCE AND MILAN

## HOMESTAY



This is the ideal situation for students who wish to experience Italian daily life and to practice the language in an informal atmosphere.

For all minor students the school will reserve only homestay accommodation. Most of our homestays have only single rooms and twin rooms (for two students coming together) are available only on request. Homestay accommodation offers a variety of meal arrangements: breakfast, half board and use of the kitchen.

We take great care in selecting our homestay accommodation. Our accommodation and welfare officers regularly visit local homes to make sure a high standard of service is offered to you. We also carefully check feedback to make sure that course participants who stay in homestay are happy and that standards remain high.

**Your hosts** - We have a wide variety of families. Some consist of young couples, either with or without children, some are older, some are single parent families and others are widows living alone. Living with an Italian family will be very helpful for practicing your Italian. Whoever your hosts are, they will be accustomed to having visitors stay with them. They will want to make sure you are happy and comfortable in their home.

**Other guests in the same accommodation** - You may not be the only guest staying in this accommodation. If there is another visitor he/she will speak a different language to you, so you will have plenty of opportunity to practice speaking Italian.

Linguaviva schools offer an excellent selection of accommodation to meet your needs.

All accommodation used by the schools has been inspected by a school accommodation officer and is of good quality.

You may choose from different options: Homestay, Shared Flat, Independent Flat.

Accommodation is available from the Sunday before the beginning of the course through to the Saturday after the course ends.

## KEY FACTS

<b>Options</b>	<b>Half Board</b> - Breakfast and dinner, served every day including week ends <b>Breakfast</b> - You will be served a typical Italian breakfast every day of the week. This option does not foresee using the hosts kitchen to prepare other meals.
<b>Location</b>	<b>Florence</b> - Maximum distance of 15 minutes by bus from the school <b>Milan</b> - Max. distance of 30 minutes by public transport from the school
<b>Rooms</b>	Single or twin (only available for two students travelling together)
<b>Bathroom</b>	To be shared with host family. Private bathroom available only on request
<b>Internet</b>	Available in most homestays' family
<b>Min. Age</b>	16+. Minors can be only booked in homestay accommodation with half board
<b>Duration</b>	This accommodation can be booked for minimum 1 week
<b>Booking</b>	The accommodation is booked from the Sunday before your course starts to the Saturday after it ends





## SHARED FLAT

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This self-catering option is for students who want to be more independent by renting a room in a flat shared with other students. For this accommodation option the minimum age required is 18+.

You have complete freedom and are not expected to join in family life.

You can choose a single or a twin room (available only for two students coming together) in a completely furnished flat with 3 or more bedrooms, kitchen and bathroom

to be shared with other students.

Sheets and towels are provided. We take great care in selecting our accommodation.

The other guests in the flat will speak a different language to you, so you will have plenty of opportunity to practice speaking Italian.

### KEY FACTS

**Location** **Florence** - A short walk, and never more than a 15-20 minutes journey by foot  
**Milan** - Max. distance of 30 minutes by public transport from the school

**Rooms** Single or twin (only available for two students travelling together)

**Bathroom** To be shared with other students in the apartment

**Kitchen** To be shared with other students in the apartment

**Internet** Wi-Fi available in most flats

**Utilities** Heating, electricity, water are included in the accommodation fee

**Min. Age** 18+

**Duration** This accommodation can be booked for minimum 2 weeks

**Booking** The accommodation is booked from the Sunday before your course starts to the Saturday after it ends





# SOCIAL ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME IN FLORENCE AND MILAN

The schools organize a daily programme of activities exclusively for you.

You will have the possibility to broaden your knowledge of Italian culture, visit famous cities and to enjoy yourself with your new friends.

Your teachers will always be with you to help you improve your Italian and better understand Italian life and customs.

At the beginning of every course you will be presented with the monthly social activity programme, including detailed information about each activity.

## EXPERIENCE FLORENCE WITH LINGUAVIVA

### EXCURSIONS

Full day excursions to famous Italian cities and to most renowned sites are organized during the weekends, usually on Saturday.

Half day excursions to places of interest close to Florence and to wine producing farm are organized during the week in the afternoon. Siena and San Gimignano, Pisa, Roma, Venice, Verona, 5 Terre (seaside), Chianti (visit to a winery).

### ART HISTORY VISITS

These are guided visits to the most important museums and galleries: Duomo, Accademia Gallery, Uffizi Gallery, Bargello, Santa Croce, Santa Maria Novella, The Medici Villas.

There will be always a member of Linguaviva staff with you.

### LECTURES

Various aspects of contemporary Italian culture and society are presented: Italian Songs, Italian Fashion, Italian Cuisine, Italian Wines, Italian Gestures, Italian Art, Italian Opera.

### FLORENCE BY NIGHT

Welcome and farewell dinners, musical events, disco and typical bars.

## EXPERIENCE MILAN WITH LINGUADUE

### EXCURSIONS

Excursions are run in cooperation with a local tour operator.

Full day excursions to famous Italian cities close to Milan and to most renowned sites are organized during the weekends usually on Saturday and Sunday. Lake Como,

Lake Maggiore, Lake Garda, Venice, Verona, 5 Terre (seaside), S. Margherita Ligure and Portofino, Shopping at Serravalle Outlet.

### ART HISTORY VISITS

These are guided visits to the most important museums and galleries: Duomo, Castello Sforzesco, Pinacoteca di Brera, Pinacoteca Ambrosiana, Palazzo Reale, Museo del '900, Da Vinci's Last Supper. There will be always a member of Linguadue staff with you.

### LECTURES

Various aspects of contemporary Italian culture and society are presented: Italian Fashion, Italian Design, Italian Cuisine, Italian Wines, Italian Gestures, Italian Traditions, Italian Opera.

### MILAN BY NIGHT

Welcome and farewell dinners, musical events, disco and typical bars.







#### OUR STUDENTS SAY...

##### Francesca

24 years from Australia

*I loved studying at Linguaviva, the staff was very helpful, the location of the school was nice and very close to many attractions, and there are many levels of Italian classes so you can learn at your pace.*

*The school also organizes many activities after lesson or in the week end so there is always something interesting and funny to do. I highly recommend studying at Linguaviva.*





# LINGUAVIVA SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

## PREPARATORY COURSES FOR ITALIAN UNIVERSITY

For over 40 years Linguaviva has been a leader in Italy to prepare international students for admission tests in different areas to enter in Italian Universities. Linguaviva offers preparatory courses in its campuses in Florence and Milan and online according to study areas.

We prepare for:

<b>Medicine</b>	in Florence Campus in Italian and online in English for IMAT
<b>Veterinary</b>	in Florence Campus in Italian
<b>Architecture</b>	in Milan Campus in Italian and online in English
<b>Design</b>	in Milan Campus in Italian and online in English
<b>Engineering / TOLC-I</b>	in Milan Campus in Italian and online in English

## SUMMER PROGRAMMES FOR JUNIORS

For over 20 years Linguaviva has been a leader in Italy for Juniors Programme.

Thanks to the great success of our Programmes and the quality of our teachers and staff, every year more than 200 international students attend our Juniors Programmes in three different campuses: Florence, Milan and Lignano according to different areas of interest.

	<b>FLORENCE</b>	<b>MILAN</b>	<b>LIGNANO</b>
<b>Programme</b>	Language with cultural activities	Pre-University Academy	Language with sport and leisure activities
<b>Students Age</b>	From 14 to 17 years old	From 15 to 18 years old	From 14 to 17 years old
<b>Period</b>	July and August	July	July
<b>Tuitions per week</b>	20 Italian lessons	25 lessons in Technical-Scientific and Business Area	20 Italian lessons
<b>Programme Length</b>	2 or 4 weeks	2 weeks	2 or 4 weeks
<b>Accommodation</b>	Full board homestay in twin rooms	Full board homestay in twin rooms	Full board residential in multiple rooms

## CULTURAL PROGRAMMES FOR 50+

During Spring and Autumn Linguaviva offers in Florence and Milan a holiday language course for international 50+, wishing to combine a pleasant holiday in Italy, improve Italian language and enjoy the opportunity of discovering fascinating cultural itineraries. The programme offers a pleasant mixture of Italian tuition, excursions to the most interesting places, visits to artistic and historical centres, cooking lessons, lectures on cultural subjects, food and wine experience.

<b>Italian tuition</b>	4 lessons per day in the morning
<b>Duration</b>	2 weeks
<b>Period</b>	April, May, September
<b>Group size</b>	max. 12 participants
<b>Requirements</b>	Elementary level of Italian

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EACH PROGRAMME  
CHECK THE DEDICATED LINGUAVIVA BROCHURE