ITALIAN Fall 2018 Featured Courses

ITALIAN 270: Italian Literature and Culture: Italian Through Theater
Leonardo Chiarantini  MWF 10-11 am  #30303
In Italy, theater has played a pivotal role through the centuries both as a form of entertainment and as a means to represent society. In this course, we will use theater to practice our Italian. The objective of the course is to improve speaking, writing, and comprehension through the analysis and discussion of both written and performed plays, as well as through expressive reading and acting out of scenes. Playwrights will include Carlo Goldoni, Luigi Pirandello, Alessandro Baricco, and Stefano Benni.
Taught in Italian

ITALIAN 333/MEMS 333: Dante’s Divine Comedy (meets—with Italian 533)
Karla Mallette  MW 11:30 am-1 pm  #30301
Dante’s Divine Comedy describes a pilgrim’s journey through Hell, Purgatory and Heaven. His epic poem is both a daring and deeply thoughtful meditation on the relationship between human beings and God, and a work of science fiction that tries to imagine what the next life might be like.
Taught in English

ITALIAN 374: Topics in Italian Literature: Cinema e Letteratura nell’Italia contemporanea
Vincenzo Binetti  TTh 4-5:30 pm  #30889
This course will address issues of national identities in contemporary Italy, throughout close readings of specific novels and short stories; we will also look at other forms of cultural production (including films and visual media) in order to further investigate and problematize various and often controversial representations of the Italian nation-state.
Taught in Italian

ITALIAN 422: Politics and Literature
I movimenti politici degli anni ‘60 e ‘70 in Italia: testi e contesti
Vincenzo Binetti  Tues/Thurs 1-2:30 pm  #30286
Il corso propone un’analisi della produzione letteraria e politico-culturale degli anni ‘60 e ‘70 in Italia attraverso la lettura approfondita di romanzi e la proiezione di film rappresentativi di un periodo storico complesso ed emblematico nel processo di definizione dell’identità nazionale italiana.
Taught in Italian