

WINTER SCHOOL 2017

Italian, music, art, photography, cookery

Palermo 16 January - 10 March



Palermo, an alive city with a clear sky even in winter Palermo, the capital of Sicily, one of the biggest and most beautiful islands of the Mediterranean. Here you can explore rich art, good food, beautiful coastline and enjoy the perfect weather, spending the day both in the city and by the sea. Palermo is the capital of art and culture thanks to it's Arabic, Norman, Byzantine signs and its ancient buildings, as well as the modern and contemporary art galleries and theaters, including one of the most important in Europe, Massimo Theatre.

In Palermo even the food is famous all around the world. Palermo is one of the world's capitals of street food, and has an important tradition of food and wine that reveals its past and its multicultural present. Compared to other cities of Italy, Palermo stands out not only for its rich artistic heritage but for the mild and sunny weather it has throughout the year. Even in winter you can enjoy a beautiful and clear sky.

Courses Winter School in Palermo – Edition 2017 (16/01-10/03 2017). The Winter School 2016 includes three intensive courses (purchased separately) of 40 hours and of all levels, from entry level to advanced level. The course schedule is as follows: 16/01 – 10/02; 13/02/ - 24/02; 27/02 – 10/03. Classroom lessons with qualified native teachers are followed by afternoon activities both with teachers and with tutors, young college students, who help each student in the classroom and to discover the cultural and recreational activities in the city.



Winter School 2017

Our intensive courses last 40 hours. There are courses for every level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages of the European Council, with levels from beginner to advanced. The lessons take place in the morning, from 9 to 1 am with qualified mother tongue teachers, and they are combined with afternoon activities with teachers and tutors, young Italian university students who support our students inside and outside the classroom in social and entertaining activities.

DATES AND PRICES

16/01 – 10/02

Lesson hours: 40,
cost € 250

13/02/ - 24/02

lesson hours 40,
cost € 300

27/02 – 10/03

lesson hours 40,
cost € 300



Italian and Photography



Levels: All levels

Dates: 27/02 – 10/03

Cost: 90 €

hours: 6 hours language - 9 hours of laboratory in field

Description

The course has several objectives:

1. Development of language skills.
2. Development of photographic skills; by the use of the territory and of the artistic heritage of Palermo.

A professor of the School will conduct workshops which will be overseen through written and speaking terms, based on the terminologies of photography. An experienced photographer will be guiding photo labs in the area showing the students through the main photographic techniques.



Italian and Cookery

A perfect combination for enjoying the Italian culture through one of its most important components: food! The practical cooking lesson is taught by qualified chef and during the theoretic lesson a specialized teacher will provide an overview of the most famous Sicilian cooking traditions and dishes in the world. Participants will be able to experience the preparation of recipes with quality ingredients and taste all food prepared in an relaxing and fun atmosphere. Activities include two hours for studying the culture and the traditions of Sicilian food and 4 hours of practical workshop. Italian & Cookery: lesson hours 6, cost € 50 (It will start only if reaching at least 4 participants)



What we offer in addition to the course: activities outside the classroom

Guided visits to the main monuments of Palermo

The Politeama Theatre, the Massimo Theatre, Cappuccini catacombs, the Prisons of the Inquisition, the Cathedral, Piazza Pretoria, many churches and monuments of the Norman and Arabic period. All our students, guided by a qualified teacher in art and young tutors, will have the chance to discover the rich artistic heritage of Palermo through cultural walks in town.

Aperitifs and evening parties every weekend the School

The School organises “aperitivo” (a pre-meal drink served with a wide variety of finger food) in popular bars of the city center where you will enjoy concerts and live music. There are also many Erasmus parties organized by city associations in which the school students can participate.

Trips to the main tourist destinations of Sicily

Students of the Winter School will be accompanied by professors and tutors to discover the most popular tourist destinations of Sicily, such as Cefalù, Agrigento and Taormina. Dates, destinations and prices (not included in the price of the course) will be communicated during the course. This activity will be carried out only if there is an adequate number of bookings.

Palermo, the capital of street food

“Panelle, croccché, arancine, panino con la milza, sfincione, cannoli” are the symbols of a thousand-year old gastronomic tradition that brings together Arabs, Jews, Spaniards, Normans and other populations who used to live in Sicily. A gastronomic walk to find out unique smells and tastes will guide you to enjoy the street food of Palermo.



Accommodation

On your request, the School will select and suggest an accommodation close to the premises of the School. Based on availability, the School will give you advice on arranging your accommodation in selected B&Bs, hotels, holiday rentals, hostels. *

Some things offered by the city of Palermo

Evenings in the most important theaters of the city In Palermo, a city well known for its many cultural activities, you can find several theaters where you can enjoy high level performances during the winter festivals.

Among them, the Massimo Theatre (the third largest theater in Europe) with its operas, and the Biondo Theatre, with comedies and plays written by both classical and contemporary authors. Supported by the professors of the school, students can choose the best shows offered in Palermo.

Books and CDs presentations

In major bookstores of Palermo (La Feltrinelli, Mondadori) on the weekend afternoons important books and CDs presentations take place. During the events you can meet contemporary Italian authors and musicians. It will be easy for the students of the Winter School (accompanied by a tutor) to participate to these events in the city center.

Discover the previous editions

To discover all the activities carried out during the previous editions of the Winter and the Summer School, please visit www.itastra.unipa.it & Search sections “Winter School” and “Summer School” in the menu of the courses.

Or visit our facebook profile

(<https://www.facebook.com/itastra?fref=ts>) and see our albums.

And after the Winter School?

“Italian all year round” and the “Summer School 2016”.

The School has courses of Italian language and culture during the whole year

with different intensities: semi-intensive courses for a total number of 40 hours in 4 weeks and intensive courses for a total number of 40 hours in 2 weeks.

Also in 2016, the Summer School will take place in July, August and September.

All our students will be involved in entertaining activities by the sea, boat rides and excursions alongside the Sicilian coastline.

Also during the summer courses, young Italian university students will assisted by our students inside and outside the classroom. Special fares and price reductions will be available if you enroll in more than one summer course or if you have already studied Italian during the Winter School.



* Please note that the School is not responsible for the relationship between the hotel facilities and the customers. The School simply provides a list of accommodation facilities with the related prices and the customers book the preferred accommodation. However, we recommend you to mention that you are students of the Italian Language School.

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