

BU CAPITIGNANO ITALIANO 101, Summer 2008

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TEXT: **Oggi in Italia – 6th Edition**

Houghton Mifflin, 1998

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS: ITALIAN Lab Manual audio MP3 files to accompany Oggi in Italia, 6th edition, are provided,

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND POLICIES: The general characteristics of the course (methodology, origins of the Italian language, importance of studying a foreign language, attendance, grading, etc.) will be discussed in depth the first day of class. The main goal is to help you acquire the ability to communicate in Italian via a fairly large active vocabulary; the ability to express yourself, simply, orally and in writing and to understand simple oral and written Italian. A large portion of class time will be spent using the language interactively, your participation will be essential. The course will provide students with the opportunity to further their study of Italian language and culture.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS – Regular class assignments of exercises and readings are to be completed. Tests –Class participation.

ATTENDANCE - ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY.

GRADING - Grading will be both objective (attendance, homework, quizzes, exams, etc.) and subjective (effort, participation, progress, etc.).

grades will be determined based on the following: **tests 50%; final exam 20 %; attendance, participation, progress, 30%.**

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY - will not be tolerated. See the BU handbook for policy.

EXAMINATIONS - Major tests are given at the ends of week two and week four. The FINAL EXAM will be cumulative.

COURSE OUTLINE & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Week One: Lezione Preliminare

Lezione 1: Pronomi personali, present tense of essere, present tense of avere, genere dei nomi, l'articolo indeterminativo

Week 2: Lezione 2

Telling time, di + nome per esprimere il possessivo, l'articolo determinativo, vocabulary, Test 1

Lezione 3

Espressioni con avere, presente dei verbi regolari in are, preposizioni semplici, preposizioni articolate, C'è, ci sono, ecco

Week 3: Lezione 4, Test 2

Presente dei verbi regolari in ere, formulare le domande, verbi irregolari: dare fare, stare

Week 4: Lezione 5

Week 5: Lezione 6, including the passato prossimo with both avere and essere verbs, and review

Week 6: Lezione 6, review, and Final exam