The Department of Romance Languages and Literatures at the University of Missouri-Columbia offers a MINOR in ITALIAN AREA STUDIES.

In order to pursue a Minor in Italian Studies, students must have completed the foreign language requirement in Italian, which consists of 12 credit hours (two 6 hour/week courses) of Elementary Italian: ITAL 1100 (offered in the Fall semester) and ITAL 1200 (offered in the Spring semester).

The Minor in Italian Studies consists of **15 credit hours** beyond Italian 1200.

**9 credit hours** must be obtained through the following mandatory course sequence:

- **ITAL 2160**, Intermediate Italian (offered in the fall): prerequisite ITAL 1200, or the equivalent at a different academic institution.
- **ITAL 3150**, Post-Intermediate Italian (offered in the spring): prerequisite ITAL 2160, or the equivalent at a different academic institution.
- **ITAL 3160**, Italian Composition (offered in the fall): prerequisite ITAL 3150, or the equivalent at a different academic institution.

The remaining **6 credits** may be obtained by enrolling in two of our elective courses in English. Elective course offerings vary from year to year. Consult the current course offerings on myZou and/or in the Course Catalogue or contact an Italian faculty member for information for each academic year.

Students coming from a different academic institution or students who took courses abroad should contact an Italian faculty member, before enrolling in any of our Minor courses taught in Italian. A placement exam may be administered in order to assess the student’s linguistic and cultural competence.

Elective courses may also be chosen among Italian-emphasis courses offered by other UMC Departments (e.g., Art History, History, Music) or other UMC programs. These courses are subject to approval by either Dr. Rita Cavigioli (cavigiolir@missouri.edu) or Dr. Roberta Tabanelli (tabanellir@missouri.edu).

Normally 9 hours must be completed in residence at MU. However, students are permitted to count 6 hours toward the Minor in Italian Studies from an officially sanctioned semester or yearlong foreign study program in Italy. 6 credit hours toward the Minor can also be earned in a summer study abroad program in Italy.