

ITALY - what to do & what to not do - Syllabus

Thursdays- 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16

***No class 3/19/26, Spring Break**

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Course Description

Traveling to Italy is exciting, but it's very different from traveling in the U.S. This class is designed to help first-time visitors feel confident, prepared, and culturally aware before they go.

In this practical session, we'll cover the essential do's and don'ts of traveling in Italy so you can avoid common mistakes, understand local customs, and enjoy your trip with ease.

Topics include:

- What to pack and what not to bring
- Cultural norms and everyday etiquette
- How to dress for cities, churches, and restaurants
- Dining rules, tipping, and café culture
- Transportation basics (trains, taxis, walking)
- Common tourist mistakes and how to avoid them
- Safety tips

By the end of the class, you'll feel more relaxed, prepared, and confident navigating Italy — whether you're visiting major cities or smaller towns.

This class is ideal for first-time travelers, solo travelers, and anyone who wants a smoother, more authentic Italian experience.

Suggested book: Italian for Travelers by Fodors

Week	Topic	Notes
Week 1 / Date	Week 1 Topic -Speaker Introduction Class	
Week 2 / Date	Week 2 Topic- Travel Documents & Entry Requirements	Rome
Week 3 / Date	Week 3 Topic- Money & Payments	Florence
Week 4 / Date	Week 4 Topic- Packing & Clothing	Venice