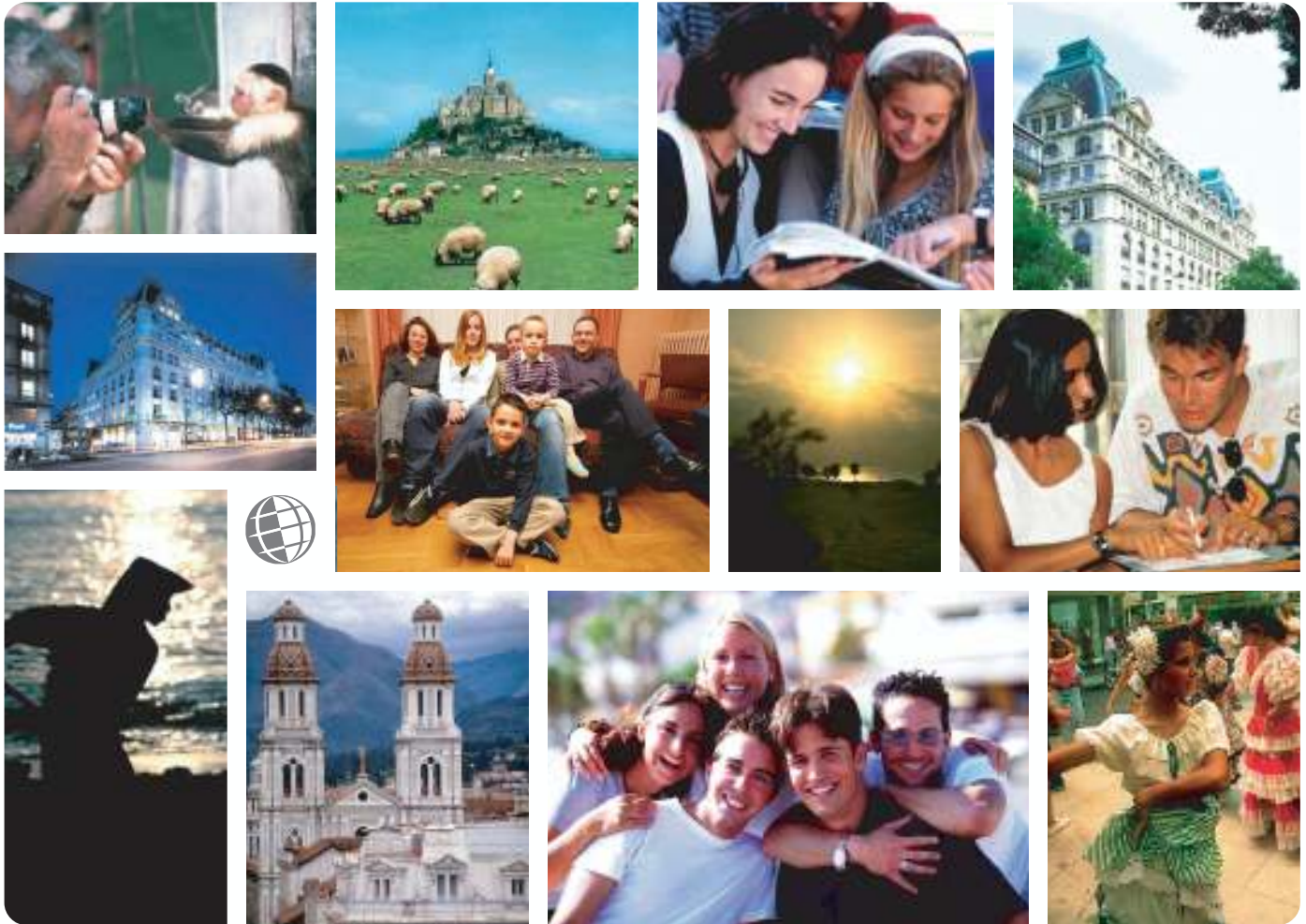


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CENTRO LINGUA – TAORMINA, ITALY

ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND THE CITY

Established in 1992, Centro Lingua - Centro di Lingua & Cultura Italiana is a small, intimate school with a friendly atmosphere, and is recognized by A.S.I.L.S. (Association of language schools of Italian as a foreign language). The school is housed in a renovated four story 19th century building and each classroom is equipped with visual displays, cassette recorder-player and headphones. The student library, lounge and computer room has access to the internet. All Centro Lingua teachers are university graduates, trained to teach Italian as a foreign language.

Centro Lingua is situated in the heart of Taormina, one of the most popular and most important towns in Sicily. Taormina is located high atop Mount Tauro, just above the Bay of Naxos. The magnificent Mediterranean blue bay and the not so distant, often smoldering Mount Etna offer a spectacular view which can be seen from almost any point in Taormina, including Centro Lingua. Taormina offers easy access to the important treasures of Sicily.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Centro Lingua's methodology has been developed from a communicative based approach. The first aim is communication, both oral and written. Centro Lingua's courses are divided into two programs: The Formation Program, divided into three levels, elementary, intermediate and superior, and The Specialization Program, divided into three levels, advanced 1, advanced 2 and advanced 3. Group courses are a maximum of 8 students per class.

Standard Course Group 20 hours per week. This course is designed for those who want a complete language experience, studying 4 hours per day, focusing on the language analysis activities and the communicative tasks.

Standard Plus Course Group/Tutor 25 hours per week - 20 hours of Group + 5 hours of Tutor weekly. Combines the Standard Group course with an extra individual hour daily.

Intensive Course Group 30 hours per week. A course designed for those who want to have a more intensive group course to strengthen their abilities in a shorter time.

Language & Italian History Course 2 weeks, 28 hours per week - 20 hours of Group + 8 hours of Italian History. In combination with the Standard Group course, Centro Lingua offers an Italian History course which covers the Etruscans, the Greeks, the Romans, all the way up to the present day in Italy. The History course is taught by individuals trained in the field.
Language & Art History 2 weeks, 28 hours per week - 20 hours of

Group + 8 hours of Italian Art History. The Language & Art History course combines the Standard Group course with study of sculpture, painting and architecture in Italy. The aim of the course is to provide content based language study and to provide a deeper knowledge and understanding of Italian Art. The Art History course is taught by individuals trained in the field.

Language & Italian Cooking 37.5 hours per week - 20 Group + 17.5 cooking lessons and assistance in a restaurant kitchen. The course is designed for anyone interested in expanding their practical knowledge of Italian cuisine. This course includes the Standard Group course of 4 hours daily and organized cooking lessons in a local top category restaurant, tutored by professional chefs, for 3.5 hours daily, 5 days per week. At the end of the training a Letter of Attendance is issued.

Language & Sicilian Ceramics OR Wood and Furniture Restoration Apprenticeship 2 weeks, 23 hours per week - 20 hours of Group + 3 hours of Ceramic or Wood and Furniture Restoration Apprenticeship. Combines the Standard Group course and an organized practical apprenticeship on Sicilian ceramic, or on wood and furniture restoration, tutored by professional craftsmen. A Letter of Attendance is issued.

Language & Eco-Touring 2 weeks, Standard Group Course + 4 guided half-day hiking tours and 1 guided all-day hiking tour. Combines the Standard Group course and guided hiking tours through Sicily's National Parks. All transportation is included.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Shared Apartments There are several apartments available throughout Taormina and all are within a 15 minute walk from the school. Includes a private room and use of bath and kitchen. Homestays, Pensions & Hotels are also available.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Cultural, Social Activities & Excursions The school offers a program of internal extracurricular activities which are included in the cost. Many social activities are available and excursions are offered every other weekend at additional cost.

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- ✓ Small interactive group and/or one-on-one instruction
- ✓ Culture program integrated into conversation classes, activities
- ✓ Meet-the-People interaction at school, homestays, & community events
- ✓ Orientation covering attractions, how to, health, safety, entertainment
- ✓ Academic assessments, placement-exit tests, Achievement Certificate
- ✓ Lodging (reduced fee if no lodging needed)
- ✓ Meals and/or cooking facilities at most centres
- ✓ Insurance: medical and accident - see below
- ✓ Emergency Hotline staffed 24 hours/day - see below
- ✓ Housing Coordinator familiar with area homestays, apartments, hotels
- ✓ Activity Coordinator facilitates transfers, cultural/social activities, tours
- ✓ Program Director experienced working with foreign participants
- ✓ Qualified, experienced, and certified educators
- ✓ Weekly proficiency goals and progress assessments
- ✓ Planning and Orientation materials
- ✓ International Ambiance, participants from around-the-world welcome
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- ✓ 24:7 Culture Immersion w/ native speakers: class, homestay, community
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- ✓ **Tours:** cultural visits, day and weekend fieldtrips
- ✓ **Art:** classes/workshops, craft, dance, theater, fashion, music, photo
- ✓ **Humanities:** culture, area studies, hist, lit, gov't, educ, comm, plus...
- ✓ **Health:** golf, swimming, tennis, diving, skiing, riding, plus...
- ✓ **Special:** vocabulary classes tailored to your professional needs
- ✓ **Lodging:** homestay, apartment, dorm, hotel, special diet
- ✓ **Food:** home cooking, cooking classes, dine-around, wine tasting
- ✓ **Family:** services, daycare, child classes, community services
- ✓ **Teacher:** training, workshops, practicums, practice teaching, ECH
- ✓ **Teen:** camps and youth programs (including experiential)
- ✓ **University:** credit, undergraduate and graduate
- ✓ **Professional:** development credit in many fields, licensure, CEU
- ✓ **Volunteer:** medical, social service, ecology, teach plus...
- ✓ **Internships:** business, media, arts, eco, tourism, computer, plus...
- ✓ **Business:** classes, visits, networking, executive support services
- ✓ **Peer-to-Peer:** share interests, network by profession or hobby
- ✓ **Current Events & Professional Workshops, Holiday Courses**
- ✓ **Distance** educ liaison service, independent studies, research assist
- ✓ **Free** books and course materials. Return at end of studies
- ✓ **Free** airport transfers and internet access
- ✓ **Assessment** reports for attendance, progress, acculturation if needed
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