ITALIAN LANGUAGE COURSES FOR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS MEN AND WOMEN

Casa Monteripido

Perugia, 20 kilometers from Assisi and 160 kilometers from Rome, is an important destination for many priests and religious men and women seeking to learn Italian in order to study theology at Pontifical Universities and for all those who are striving to improve their Italian language skills.

The **University for Foreigners** (Università per Stranieri) is one of the world's oldest and most renowned universities. It is located in Perugia and hosts students from all over the world, who come to learn Italian language and culture.

The **Friary St Francis of the Mount of the Friars Minor** (Convento San Francesco del Monte dei Frati Minori) is just a few minutes away from the historical city center and from the campus of the University for Foreigners. The friary, one of the earliest Franciscan establishments, was founded in 1229 by Blessed Giles of Assisi, the third companion of Saint Francis. In the 15th century, Saint Bernardine of Siena established a Franciscan center of education in the friary, leading to the creation of a prestigious eighteenth-century library.

For fifty years, the Franciscan Community has served a **Residence Hall for students** on the friary grounds, called **Casa Monteripido**.

Casa Monteripido combines closeness to the center of Perugia (a 15 minute walk) with the peace of a Franciscan place, offering an ideal accomodation for study, rest, and prayer. For many years, priests and religious men and women have been our welcomed guests during the summer.

In accordance with the cultural mission of the friary and in order to meet the growing demand for hospitality, Casa Monteripido has established an Italian language program for the month of **August 2021** especially dedicated to priests and religious.

ACCOMODATIONS

Perugia

Casa Monteripido offers:

- rooms with bathroom
- room cleaning and change of linens
- free WLAN
- laundry service
- study rooms, TV room and dining hall
- large outdoor space and garden
 - parking facilities (single room € 400,00 per month, double room € 270,00 per month)

MEALS

Casa Monteripido strives for the highest standards and offers Italian cuisine, famous for its quality. Meals (lunch and dinner) are prepared by a catering service run by faithful volunteers who donate the entire proceeds of their work to missionary projects.

(€ 600,00 per month)

COMMUNITY LIFE

Guests can join the Franciscan community at prayer times. A chapel is also available for Mass celebrations and personal prayer.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE COURSES AD HOC

The growing demand and the desire to meet the needs of priests and religious men and women has led our community to find ways to collaborate with the University for Foreigners. The University has agreed to offer special Italian language courses at our Friary (details on the next page).

The courses are offered in August on the condition that there are at least ten participants at the same level of Italian language skills.



The University for Foreigners in Perugia is a prestigious Italian institution that specialises in the teaching, research and promotion of Italian language and culture in all its expressions. Since its inception, it has symbolised openness, tolerance and a meeting of cultures and peoples, and today, it has developed into a genuine laboratory of intercultural training.

THE COURSE

The course is designed for priests, seminarians, and religious from all over the world and intends to confer language skills, in line with the needs encountered upon entry and consistent with the level of the course attended, that is, a basic (level A of the Common European Framework of Reference for languages) or intermediate level (level B), ascertained through an online entry test.

Those who complete the course and attend at least 70% of the classes receive a certificate of attendance.

COURSE LOCATION

Casa Monteripido – Perugia

COURSE SCHEDULE

August, 2 – 27, 2021

COURSE STRUCTURE

- Italian language
- Oral and written exercises
- Technical language
- Cultural study
- Pronunciation and reading: techniques and strategies for fluency, rhythm, pause, accent and expressive intonation.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE BASE COURSE - LEVEL A (80h)

Minimum number of participants: 10 Language activities and exercises: 20 hours per week, for a total of 80 hours in the four weeks. REGISTRATION FEE: € 650,00.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE BASE COURSE - LEVEL A (60h)

Minimum number of participants: 10 Language activities and exercises: 15 hours per week, for a total of 60 hours in the four weeks. REGISTRATION FEE: € 500,00.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE INTERMEDIATE COURSE – LEVEL B (80h)

Minimum number of participants: 10 Language activities and exercises: 20 hours per week, for a total of 80 hours in the four weeks. REGISTRATION FEE: € 650,00.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE INTERMEDIATE COURSE – LEVEL B (60h)

Minimum number of participants: 10 Language activities and exercises: 15 hours per week, for a total of 60 hours in the four weeks. REGISTRATION FEE: € 500,00.

For each course, if the number of participants is greater than 15, the registration amount will be proportionally lower.

REGISTRATION: Participants must register by July 1, 2021, by filling out the appropriate online form, and take the online entrance test by July 9, 2021. Beyond these dates it will not be possible to guarantee the registration of participants and therefore the activation of the courses.

For further information and registration, please contact casamonteripido@monteripido.it



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