

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
History of Italy	4	3	1	0	Successfully completed GE-1, 2, 3, 4	Successfully completed GE-1, 2, 3, 4

Total No. Credits				No. of Hours of Lectures	No. of Hours of Tutorials	No. of Hours of Practical	Total Hours of Teaching
	Lecture (Credits)	Tutorial (Credits)	Practical (Credits)				
4	3	1	0	45	15	0	60

GE-10 History of Italy	
Learning Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an understanding of major historical events that have shaped Italy from the medieval to the contemporary period. Critically engage with Italian Colonialism and its aftermath in relation to the period of decolonisation and its aftermath. Familiarize students with techniques and strategies to analyse historical documents as evidence of historical events. 	
Learning Outcomes: The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Familiarize students with the major social, political and cultural events from the medieval to contemporary period. Develop a critical perspective of the colonial past of Italy and its relations to its colonies. Provide a good understanding of Contemporary Italy and its relations with the Italian speaking world, including its policy towards immigration. Develop the skill to analyse very short historical texts in order to examine documentary evidence of historical events. 	
Syllabus:	
UNIT I:	7 Hours

Ancient Italy (Before 1000 BCE): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prehistoric Cultures: Early human settlements in Italy, Etruscans and other Italic tribes. • Roman Kingdom: Founding of Rome (753 BCE). 	
UNIT II	7 Hours
Roman Republic and Empire (509 BCE - 476 CE): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman Republic: Establishment of the Roman Republic (509 BCE). • Punic Wars: Rome's conflicts with Carthage and Roman dominance in the Mediterranean. • Julius Caesar: Rise of Julius Caesar and transition from Republic to Empire (1st century BCE). • Roman Empire: Peak of Roman power and influence under emperors like Augustus and Trajan. 	
UNIT III	8 Hours
Middle Ages (476 - 1492 CE): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall of Western Roman Empire (476 CE). • Byzantine Italy: Eastern Roman (Byzantine). • Kingdoms and City-States: Venice, Genoa, Florence, and the Papal States. • Norman Conquest: Norman invasion of southern Italy (11th-12th centuries). 	
UNIT IV:	8 Hours
Renaissance and Early Modern Period (14th - 18th centuries): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Italian Renaissance: art, literature, science and politics (14th-17th centuries). • Italian Wars: involving major European powers (15th-16th centuries). • Unification: Napoleonic Wars and the Congress of Vienna, Italian unification (19th century). 	
UNIT V	8 Hours
Modern Italy (19th - 21st centuries): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risorgimento: Movement for Italian unification, Giuseppe Garibaldi and Count Cavour. • Kingdom of Italy (1861) • World War I, Fascist Era, Benito Mussolini (1920s-1940s) • World War II: Italian Republic (1946). 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Integration: Italy as a founding member of the European Union (1957). 	
UNIT VI	7 Hours
Contemporary Italy (21st century): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Challenges: Economic struggles, political instability, and Immigration. • Cultural Influence: Italy as a global center for art, fashion, cuisine, and design. • European Union and role of Italy 	
Practical component (if any)	
Essential and Recommended readings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cantarella, Eva. Guidorizzi, Giulio. (2010). <i>Dall'impero romano alla crisi del Trecento</i>. Milano: Einaudi Scuola. • Del Boca, Angelo. (1992). <i>L'Africa nella coscienza degli Italiani</i>. Roma-Bari: Laterza.57 • Pallotti, Gabriele. Cavadi, Giorgio. (2014). <i>Che Storia: la storia italiana raccontata in modo semplice</i>. Roma: Bonacci. • Prosperi, Adriano. Viola, Paolo. (2004). 1. <i>Dalla peste del Trecento al Concilio di Trento</i>. 2. <i>Dalle guerre di religione alla guerra dei Trent'anni</i>. 3. <i>Dall'assolutismo alla rivoluzione francese</i>. 4. <i>Dal Congresso di Vienna al trionfo del capitalismo</i>. 5. <i>Dal 1870 alla seconda guerra mondiale</i>. Milano: Einaudi scuola. 	
Additional material may be provided by the Department. Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.	