# Advanced Higher Italian (Course Code: C842 77)

SCQF Level 7 (32 Credit Points)

## Why study Italian?

Learning a new language allows you to connect with different people and their cultures. You think, communicate and create ideas through language.

Italian is rich in history and culture, as well as being a beautiful language to listen to, and speak. It is spoken in Switzerland, San Marino and parts of Croatia and Slovenia, as well as Italy itself.

Italy is a major economy in the world, and the seventh largest global market for British exports. So, there are plenty of opportunities to use Italian in a wide range of industries and organisations. It is one of the top five business languages currently in demand in the UK.

**Career Pathways**

To see what career areas this subject could lead to and the routes to get there, download and view these career pathways:

Arts, Social Sciences and Languages

Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism

Information, Culture and Heritage

Teaching and Classroom Support

Transport and Distribution

Uniformed and Security Services

## What do I need to get in?

This is at the discretion of the school/college but you would normally be expected to have attained one of the following:

- **Higher Italian**

## What will I study?

On this course you will develop skills, knowledge and understanding of the following areas:

- advanced reading, listening, talking, and writing skills in Italian, as appropriate to purpose and audience, in the contexts of society, learning, employability, culture
- advanced knowledge and understanding required to understand and use complex and sophisticated

language, as appropriate to purpose and audience, in the contexts of society, learning, employability, culture
- applying advanced grammatical knowledge to read, listen to, and use Italian
- applying inferencing skills to analyse and evaluate complex and sophisticated texts in Italian
- applying advanced knowledge and understanding to translate complex and sophisticated language
- analysis of literature, media or language in work within the context of Italian.

## How will I be assessed?

**Course Assessment**

The course assessment consists of **four** components **totalling 200 marks**:

- Component 1 – Question paper: Reading and Translation (50 marks)
- Component 2 – Question paper: Listening and Discursive Writing (70 marks)
- Component 3 – Portfolio (30 marks)
- Component 4 – Performance: Talking (50 marks).

The performance – You will demonstrate your skills in Italian by talking about themes or topics relating to at least one context from society, learning, employability or culture, and the portfolio study of literature, media or language in work.

The portfolio – You will produce a piece of writing in English of 1,200 – 1,500 words, based on your analysis of either a piece of literature or media or language in work within the context of Italian.

The performance component is set and verified externally by the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA), and assessed and marked by your school or college.

Both the question papers and the assignment are set and externally marked by SQA.

The grade awarded is based on the total marks achieved across course assessment.

## Study Materials

- SQA Past Papers Italian Advanced Higher
- SQA Specimen Paper (Reading and Translation) Italian Advanced Higher
- SQA Specimen Paper (Listening and Discursive) Italian Advanced Higher
- SQA Understanding Standards Advanced Higher Italian

## What can I go on to next?

Further study, training or employment in:

- Information, Culture and Heritage

- Languages