Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Students must be declared in a major by the end of the second year (or equivalent), so learning about and preparing for a major is a primary goal for first-year students.

**Major:** ITALIAN STUDIES

**Importance of an early start:**

This major is not highly sequential or course intensive. Although it is advisable to begin taking courses toward the major in the first year, it is not required.

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:**

Students may declare the Italian Studies major at any time.

**Frosh who intend to pursue this major should do the following things prior to the beginning of fall term...**

Students who have taken college-level transferable classes that may apply to the requirements of this major should submit an unofficial transcript to the department prior to July 1. This transcript is in addition to the official transcript that is required by the UCSC Admissions Office.

**...and should take these courses their first term:**

ITAL 1: *First Year Italian*

**Sample first year plan:**

- **Fall:** ITAL 1: *First Year Italian*
- **Winter:** ITAL 2: *First Year Italian*, or ITAL 1A: *Accelerated Italian*
- **Spring:** ITAL 3: *First Year Italian*, or ITAL 1B: *Accelerated Italian*

Italian studies majors are required to complete two years of college-level Italian language study or the equivalent.

**Skills important for success in this major:**

Links to More Information:

- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)
- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)

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