

WEA Course information sheet 2020-21



Course title: Italian History		Course ID: C2227882
Start date: 22/02/2021	End date: 29/03/2021	Day(s)/time(s): Mon 09:00
Number of sessions: 6	Hours per session: 2	Tutor Denise Bianchini
Additional hours:	Online Learning Hours: 0	
Specific funder/partner requirements:		
Awarding body (if any): Title of qualification to be gained:		Level: Level 1
Fee: £38.40 or Free if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) Accreditation Fee (if applicable):		
Venue: Online Learning, Online, ZZ99 9ZZ		
<p>Theme(s): The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision. Employability – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment Health and Wellbeing – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing Community Engagement – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities Culture – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments</p> <p>The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Culture Education 2. 		

Course Aim

This course will give you a brief introduction to Italian History and culture from the Renaissance period to Modern Italy, including the period of the Unification.

Course Description

This course is aimed at people with an interest in "Everything Italian". There is so much history so this is an overview of the Renaissance period, the historical "Risorgimento" (Unification). Post-unification will include Italy's place in the world wars, Mussolini and the Fascist era, post-war and modern day politics and will include some geography and modern culture. The course will also include a weekly fun quiz aimed at revisiting the main points covered in the previous week.

Do I need any particular skills or experience?

What will I achieve?

By the end of the course I will be able to:

1. Discuss elements of the Renaissance period and some of the more colourful and important contributors.
2. Describe how the three main architects of the Unification were successful in bringing together the disparate regions of Italy.
3. Describe who Mussolini was, his reign as "Il Duce" and the Fascist era.

4. Compare geographical and cultural differences between each of the regions.
5. Describe some aspects of modern politics, post WW2, including some of the most important Prime Ministers.

What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?

- The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will be used to provide resources or to support lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions
- a short, multiple choice quiz each week

What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?

- What you need: You will need an internet connection, speakers, a microphone and a webcam so that you can use our video learning platform, Zoom. If you'd like to understand more Zoom please visit: <http://bit.ly/ZoomSpec>
- You will need a personal email address to join the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas so that you can receive resources, record your progress and achievement and to work with others and share ideas. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
- Nothing else is needed
- A love of Italy and a wish to learn more about this fascinating country.

Pre-course work, reading and information sources

- No pre reading or pre course work is required

Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)

- Progress to another WEA course
- Progress to a course with another provider

Learning with the WEA

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student

Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for most courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB
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