

Diego Cattaneo

Profile

Founder and Director of the Venice Italian School. My aim is to offer each one of our students the best possible course of Italian in Venice. This means taking care of each detail concerning my school: ensuring that students' needs are met from the moment they contact us; crafting stimulating and practical lessons and making sure the school and its partners run smoothly. I am passionate about teaching languages - having been a student of language myself - and I want only the best for our students.

Professional Experience

2009-present

Founder and Director, Venice Italian School Venice, ITA

- Crafting programmes according to different levels, pace and educational backgrounds of students
- Ensuring smooth running of everyday classes and activities
- Teaching group, individual and cultural lessons

November 2004 – December 2008

Italian Teacher, Christie's Auction House London, UK

- Organising long-medium-short term courses of various levels and participants for Christie's employees
- Designing lectures according to different levels of students' previous knowledge, from beginners to elementary, from intermediate to advanced
- Created Art-related Italian language course: vocabulary, situational programme and linguistics for managers transferred to Italian offices

Oct 2001-April 2004

Italian Teacher, City University of London London, UK

- Organising curricula and lectures for the academic year, setting tests, exams and assignments on different grammar points and topics such as work, free time, travels and sport
- Managing different levels of students' within the same class

Feb 2001-July 2003

Italian Teacher, International House London, UK

- Teaching Italian to adults in one-to-one lessons and evening classes of different levels and duration
- Dealing with every particular need of students, such as business Italian and specific knowledge of the Italian Law and law vocabulary

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Oct 2001- Jul 2002

Italian Teacher, Language Solutions

London, UK

- Teaching Italian in international business, banks and insurance companies, often focusing on specific business-related vocabulary and situations

**Professional
Qualifications**

- **International House Certificate in Teaching Italian to adults** (December 2001)
- **Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English** (July 2002)

Education

2003

Birkbeck College, University of London
MSc in Social and Political Theory

London, UK

2000

Faculty of Law, University of Bologna
BA in Law

Bologna, Italy

Languages

- **Italian**, mother-tongue
 - **English**, fluent
 - **French**, Proficiency level
 - **Spanish**, working knowledge
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