

University of California, San Diego
Political Science 120I

Politics in Italy

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This course examines the development and functioning of the modern Italian political system. Its major themes include analysis of Italian history, core institutions, ideological traditions, parties, elections, the policy process, and the evolving importance of Italy within European integration.

Evaluation:

You may choose between two options in 120I. Option A = Examinations only. Your grade will be calculated on the basis on a mid-term and final examination. Option B = Examinations plus a term paper. If you choose B, see below p. 4. Your one page topic proposal must be approved by the instructor.

	Option A	Option B
Mid-Term Exam, 3 May 2010	(40%)	(30%)
Final Exam, Mon. 7 June 2010, 8 to 11am.	(60%)	(50%)
Optional paper, due Wed. 2 June 2010	-----	(20%)

120I Basic Readings

Newell, James, *The Politics of Italy* (Cambridge UP, 2010)
 Di Scala, Spencer, *Italy from Revolution to Republic*, 4nd edition, (2009)
 Mammone, Andrea and Giuseppe A. Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe* (2010), paperback.

I. Introduction: Snapshots of the Italian Regime and Parties

Newell, *The Politics of Italy* Intro, pp 1-5 and Chapter 1.

Di Scala, Intro, pp. xv-xx; Chapter 1.

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe*, Chapter 1.

Optional:

McCarthy, *The Crisis of the Italian State* Chapter 1

II. Legacies of the Past: Foundations of Italian Politics

Di Scala, Chapters, 2, 4, 6 -16.

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe*, Chapters 8,9.

Newell, pp. 145-159.

Optional:

Di Scala, Chapters 3, 5.

III. Italy's Core Institutions

Newell, *The Politics of Italy* Chapters 2,3,4

Di Scala, chapters 21-23

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe*, Chapter 2

IV. Political Forces: Partitocrazia, Elections and Electoral Systems

Newell, *The Politics of Italy*, Chapter 7

Di Scala, Chapters 18, 10.

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today*, Chapters 3,4.

Optional:

Bardi, Luciano 2004, "Party Responses to Electoral Dealignment in Italy",RR only.

Mid-Term Examination: Monday, 3 May 2010.

V. Italy's Economic and Social Challenges

Newell, *The Politics of Italy*, Chapters 6, 8.

Di Scala, Chapter 20.

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe*, Chapters 15, 17.

Optional/ Copies to RR LIB:

The Economist, 21 May 2005, "The real sick man of Europe".

VI. Law and Order, Italian Style

Newell, *The Politics of Italy*, , pp. 159-172 (in Chap 5).

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today*, Chapters 13, 14

Waters, Sarah 1994, "Tangentopoli and Emergence of a New Political Order.. Italy". RR.

Optional:

Spotts and Wieser, Chapter 10, 12,

Putnam, *Making Democracy Work*, Chapters 1,2,5.

Dickie, *Cosa nostra*,

VII. Regionalism, Mezzogiorno / Integration and Exclusion

Mammone and Veltri, chapters 5, 10-12

VIII. Italy in the New Europe and World Affairs?

Newell, *The Politics of Italy*, Chapter 10

Mammone and Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe*, Chapter 16

Di Scala, chapter 17, 23.

Optional papers: If you choose to write a research paper, **you must submit, by Monday, 26 April 2010, a one page abstract (topic proposal).** No paper proposals will be permitted after this deadline. All proposals must be approved by the instructor.

Plagiarism will not be tolerated. The University of California, San Diego policy requires that suspicious papers will be run through *Turn It In* and referred to the Dean. Always cite work that is not your own. Direct quotes and paraphrases require full citations. When in doubt, ask the instructor.

Optional papers are due: Wed. 2 June 2010 in class.

FINAL EXAMINATION: Monday, 7 June 2010, 8:00 to 11:00 am

120I Reserve Reading List, Spring 2010

Newell, James, *The Politics of Italy* (Cambridge UP, 2010)
 Mammone, Andrea and Giuseppe A. Veltri, eds. *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe* (Routledge 2010, ISBN: 978-0-415-56160-0), pb.
 McCarthy, Patrick, *The Crisis of the Italian State* (St. Martin's , 1997)
 Spotts, F. and T. Wieser, *Italy, a Difficult Democracy* (Cambridge 1995)
 Di Scala, Spencer, *Italy from Revolution to Republic*, 4th edition, (Westview, 2009)
 Gilbert, Mark, *The Italian Revolution* (Westview 1995)
 Kertzer, David, *Comrades and Christians* (1990)
 Fabbrini and Della Sala, eds., *Italy between Europeanization and Domestic Politics* (2004),
 Bellucci and Bull, eds., *Italian Politics: The Return of Berlusconi* (2001)
 Dickie, John, *Cosa Nostra* (Palgrave, 2004)

RR e-copies;

Bardi, Luciano 2004, "Party Responses to Electoral Dealignment in Italy",
 Waters, Sarah 1994, "Tangentopoli and the Emergence of a New Political Order in Italy". *West European Politics* 17, 1 pp. 169-82.
The Economist, 21 May 2005, "The real sick man of Europe".
