



IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE CILS EXAM

Offered by the Università per Stranieri di Siena and administered by the Italian Cultural Institute, 500 N Michigan Ave, Suite 1450, the CILS exam officially certifies individuals' Italian language skills. Students that successfully pass all sections of the exam will receive a certificate issued from the Università per Stranieri di Siena, which is recognized by the Italian Government on the basis of an agreement with the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The CILS certification at the B1 level satisfies the linguistic requirement set in force on 12/04/2018 by law n. 132, introduced to art. 9.1 of the law of 02/05/1992, n. 91, which states that as a condition for the recognition of citizenship pursuant to arts. 5 "Citizenship through Marriage or Same-Sex Union" and 9 of the aforementioned law, possession of an adequate knowledge of Italian, not less than level B1.

The next CILS exam (**B1 Level Only and only for individuals who are taking the CILS exam for the first time**) will take place **on March 8th** at the Italian Cultural Institute of Chicago, 500 N Michigan Ave, Suite 1450 at 9am. Also in 2019, **the CILS exam (all levels) will take place on May 30th and December 3rd. Registration for the CILS exam closes 45 days prior to the exam.** Individuals that do not pass all of the sections of the CILS exam will be allowed to retake them within one calendar year. **To register for the CILS exam or for questions regarding the exam, please write to segr.iicchicago@esteri.it.**

CILS Exam Orientation Seminar (Wednesday, February 13 from 5:30 - 7:30pm)

Curious about the CILS exam, but don't know much about it? This seminar introduces you to the various sections of the test, familiarizing you with the formats to help you master the exam. Students interested in taking the CILS exam should come to this seminar with an idea of the level they wish to take.

Fee for this 2-hour seminar: \$30

To register, please send an email to segr.iicchicago@esteri.it, visit www.ItalCulturaChicago.com or call (312) 245-0652

CILS Preparation Course: B1 Level (Wednesday, February 20th - Wednesday, May 22nd, 2019 from 5:30 – 8pm)

Italcultura will be offering an intensive preparation course for the CILS exam at the B1 level. This 14-week, 35-hour course will prepare students for the CILS exam by providing a review of all of the grammar that will be covered on the exam and introducing students to the various sections of the test: listening, reading comprehension, grammatical structures, writing, and oral.

Fee for this 35-hour course: \$700

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For information about other Italian language courses offered year-round at Italcultura, please visit www.ItalCulturaChicago.com or call (312) 245-0652