MD ACADEMY
CATALOGUE

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About
MD Academy

MD Academy is a vocational **Training Academy** with official accreditation by **Regione Lombardia**.

Our mission is to help students fulfill their career ambitions by offering the necessary training to enter the job market. We bridge the gap between our trained and highly skilled students, and the needs of employers.

MD Academy specializes in **three main areas**:

Founded in **1999** by two young university graduates, over the years MD Academy has grown thanks to the increasing appreciation from our clients, and the contribution and passion that motivate all our collaborators.

MD Academy is located in Lombardy, the most financially advanced region in Italy and Europe.
We have two main locations: one in **Como**, and one in **Milan**.

Information Technology

Healthcare

Food & Hospitality

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Our courses

Invest in your future today

DATA SCIENCE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

1050 hours

PROFESSIONAL CULINARY ARTS

1050 hours

HEALTHCARE OPERATOR (O.S.S. CERTIFICATION)

1200 hours

Each course includes:

- **Hands-on experience**, through either apprenticeship(s) or practice projects
- **Italian classes** with experienced native teachers
- **Study material**
- **Workwear or uniform** (when applicable)
- Continuous support from teachers and tutors
- Course for health and safety in the workplace (when applicable)

MD Academy's added value: we collaborate with a wide network of over 800 companies, to provide both **training and job opportunities**.

We introduce our best candidates to partners and companies that are actively looking to hire.

Most of our students receive a job offer before or right after obtaining their final certificate.

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Regione Lombardia

CSI CERT ISO 45001

CSI CERT ISO 9001

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The path towards studying in Italy

1.Application : form on our course webpage

Let's start from here!

2.Degree/Diploma/experience certificate

3 days on your part

3.Issuing Acceptance Letter,Purchase Contract

3 days on our part

We reply to candidates within 3 working days with an Acceptance Letter, a Purchase Letter. Candidates will have a maximum of 20 days to sign them and make the payment of the course.

4.Signed Documents+Passport+Payment

20 days on your part

5.Enrollment Letter

3 days on our part

6.Visa Request

45 days on your part

After we receive the signed documents and the payment,candidates are officially students.
We send them the Enrollment Letter, necessary for the visa.Now they will be able to request and obtain it upto 10 days prior to the departure.

7.Visa Obtainance

Upto 10 days before departure

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F.A.Q.S

What is the number of available seats?

As MD Academy favors quality over quantity, we wish to ensure the best possible learning experience for our students. Therefore, a maximum of 30 students per course will be admitted for each intake (for a total of 90 students per intake, if we include all courses available at the moment).
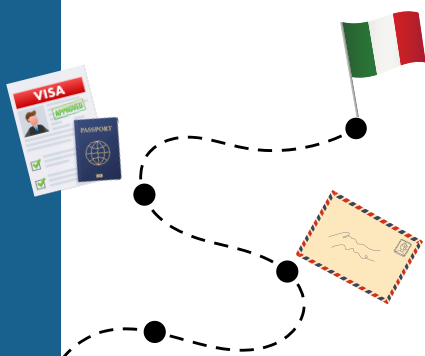
What if the maximum number of students is reached? Will I be left out?

Not at all! In such a case, your application will still be considered completely valid and you will be automatically eligible for admission in our next intake.

What if I cannot meet the payment deadline?

In such a case, MD Academy will evaluate the individual's specific situation and, on a case-by-case basis, the Admission Committe may decide to render them eligible for admission in the next intake.

However, in case of failure to meet the payment deadline for a second time, the admission will be cancelled and any fee that has already been deposited will not be refundable.

DURATION:
1 year

TIMETABLE:
1050 hours (550 hrs of theoretical study + 500 hours of practice projects)

FINAL EXAM:
A final exam will take place at the end of the course. Students will be examined and graded by an internal commission.

COURSE PAGE:
https://italiancampus.mdacademy.it/corsi/schede.php?id=2017

Data Science Software Development

MASTERING THE ART OF INSIGHTS THROUGH AI

Ready to delve into the world of big data and **Artificial Intelligence**? You will learn how to analyze datasets through **Python** and how to stand out as a Data Scientist, Data Analyst or Full stack developer - some of the most highly requested professionals in the job market.

SHORT SUMMARY OF THE COURSE PROGRAM

- **Python:** analyzing data; building machine learning models
- **Artificial Intelligence:** learning about machine learning and Artificial Neural Networks, from the very basics to more advanced techniques
- **Data Visualization:** creating effective graphs and tables
- **Practice Projects** in collaboration with partner companies, such as *Minerva Digital Intelligence*

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REQUIREMENTS

☑ Being 18 or older
☑ Applying for a study visa
☑ English-atleast A2 level or Italian-A1 level proficiency

INCLUSIVES

- Theoretical study (550 hrs) + Practice projects (500 hrs)
- Final Project work
- Exam fee + Certificate
- Italian language course

EXPECTED SALARY (ENTRY-LEVEL TO MID-LEVEL POSITIONS)

DATA SCIENTIST	DATA ANALYST	FULL-STACK DEV.
35 000 - 40 000 €/ year	30 000 - 35 000 € / year	30 000 – 35 000 € / year

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DURATION:
1 year

TIMETABLE:
1050 hours
(550 hrs of theoretical study + 500 hours of apprenticeship)

FINAL EXAM:
A final exam will take place at the end of the course. Students will be examined and graded by an internal commission.

COURSE PAGE:
https://italiancampus.mdacademy.it/corsi/schede.php?id=2018

Professional Culinary Arts

SPICING UP OUR STUDENTS' CULINARY SKILLS

Starting from the very basics of Italian cuisine to gradually conquering more advanced techniques, our expert teachers will guide you through their journey to mastery. Upon completion, you will be equipped with everything you need to succeed in a professional kitchen or bakery.

SHORT SUMMARY OF THE COURSE PROGRAM

- **First courses** (pasta, risotto, sauces...)**, second courses** (fish and meat), **pizza**
- **Pastries**
- **Vegetarian dishes**
- **Food allergies**
- **Creativity and aesthetics**
- **Interpersonal and management skills** to promote longevity in the culinary industry (teamwork, quality standards, food cost strategies)
- **Apprenticeship** with the best restaurants and hotels in Italy

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REQUIREMENTS

☑ Being 18 or older
☑ Applying for a study visa
☑ English-atleast A2 level or Italian-A1 level proficiency

INCLUSIVES

- Theoretical study (550hrs) + Apprenticeship (500 hrs)
- Uniform/workwear
- Exam fee + Certificate
- Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (H.A.C.C.P.) course
- Italian Language Classes + Certificate(s)

EXPECTED SALARY (ENTRY-LEVEL TO MID-LEVEL POSITIONS)

COOK / CHEF	WAITER	BAKER
22 000 - 30 000 / year	14 000 - 20 000 € / year	22 000 - 30 000 / year

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DURATION:
1 year

TIMETABLE:
1200 hours
(550 hrs of theoretical study + 450 hours of apprenticeship+200 hrs of Italian language course)

FINAL EXAM:
At the end of the course, students will be examined by a commission appointed by Regione Lombardia.

COURSE PAGE:
https://italiancampus.mdacademy.it/corsi/schede.php?id=1898

Healthcare Operator (O.S.S. Certification)

BEYOND THE BEDSIDE: WORK ALONG NURSES

You will learn to **collaborate with nurses, doctors, educators** to take care of a wide range of patients. Operators with an official O.S.S. Certification can work in hospitals, nursing homes, daycares and other facilities in Italy and various countries in Europe.

SHORT SUMMARY OF THE COURSE PROGRAM

- **General psychology** and **socio-relational aspects** of caregiving
- **Practical assistance** methods and techniques, from basic to advanced
- Basics of **biology** and **anatomy**
- **Pharmacology**
- **Environmental and personal hygiene**
- **Ethics, Morals, Bioethics, Privacy and Law**
- **Two apprenticeships**, in two different types of facility

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REQUIREMENTS

- ☑ Being 18 or older
- ☑ **Having a High School or Diploma + Declaration of Value**
- ☑ Applying for a study visa
- ☑ English-atleast A2 level or Italian-A1 level proficiency

INCLUSIVES

- Theoretical study (550 hrs) + Two Apprenticeships (450 hrs)
- Uniform/workwear
- Exam fee + Certificate
- Italian Language Classes + Certificate(s)

EXPECTED SALARY (ENTRY-LEVEL TO MID-LEVEL POSITIONS)

IN PUBLIC HOSPITALS	IN PRIVATE CLINICS	HOME CAREGIVER
17 000 - 22 000 € / year	20 000 - 28 000 € / year	20 000 - 28 000 € / year

✸ The O.S.S. Certification is a mandatory permit to work as an O.S.S. in Italy.
It is valid throughout the European Union and other countries in Europe that are not part of the EU (e.g. Switzerland).

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Italian classes

A COURSE THAT IS ENTIRELY BEGINNER-FRIENDLY

Our Italian classes are specially designed to fit the needs of absolute beginners. Within a total of 200 **hours**, you will have **great grasp of the basics** of Italian - for example, you will be able to introduce yourself, describe people, things and places, ask for directions, and hold a small, simple conversation.

Our teachers are all **native speakers** with years of teaching experience; you will receive their constant support with the study material or homework.

We always encourage our students to get to know their classmates so that they can support each other through their learning journey. This will be a fantastic chance to create lifelong friends who share values like **curiosity** and a **passion for learning**.
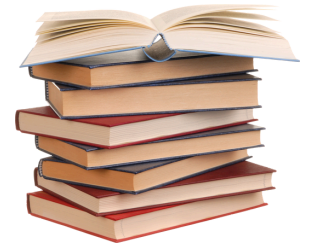
WhatsApp group

Digital study material

Request extra hrs

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How difficult is it to learn Italian?

That depends on a few factors. For example,

- you will be at an advantage if you are used to speaking more than one language, or have learned a foreign language in the past.
- it will be much easier for you if you already know a language with Latin roots (such as: Spanish, French, Portuguese, Brazilian, Romanian).
- Italian is a "close cousin" of Germanic languages, such as English, German, Dutch and Scandinavian languages, so knowing one of these languages is a plus. As a matter of fact, the Foreign Service Institute (FSI) considers Italian to be one of the easiest languages for English speakers to learn.

When does the course take place?

The course schedule is based (among other factors) on the availability of the majority of our students. We are aware many go to work/university during the day and we always do our best to create the most convenient schedule for everyone.

You can expect about 4 to 5 lessons per week. Each lesson lasts about 3 hours.

Getting a work visa

Recently, the Italian government has passed a law that allows students enrolled in a vocational course to easily **convert their study visa into a work visa**.

This is sending a strong, clear message:

Italy is facing a **manpower crisis** due to a much too wide gap between offer and demand. Managers, entrepreneurs and employers struggle to find enough workers to fulfill their open positions.

Italy is a treasure trove of work and study opportunities, and conversely, international skilled workers can be the answer to the emergency that is currently deeply affecting the italian labour market.

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Living in Italy

Como

Our training programs are held in the **city of Como**. Everyday, locals, tourists, workers and students from all over the world enjoy beautiful sceneries offered by **Lake Como** - famously shaped like an upside down Y.

There are few places around the globe where you can sit in a square dating back to the 1500's, while looking out to a vast, sparkling lake and sipping on espresso!

Como is only 30-45 minutes away (by car) from the cosmopolitan Milan, the second biggest city in the country. If you are into art or fashion, there is no better place to visit: you will find bustling shopping districts, huge museums and theaters, and antique historical buildings all for you to explore.

WHAT TO DO IN COMO

Boat Tours **Shopping** **Water Sports** **...and more!**

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Cost of life

	SHARED BEDROOM	BEDROOM IN SHARED APARTMENT	SMALL APARTMENT
MILAN	300-450 €	500-850 €	700-1100 €
MONZA	200-350 €	350-650 €	400-900 €
COMO	200-350 €	350-650 €	400-900 €

Our team can help you find an accommodation with one of our partners in nearby cities. Contact us to learn more!

FOOD (MONHTLY ESTIMATES)

Generally speaking, you are going to spend a minimum of 100-150€ per month on food and groceries.

Get in touch!

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