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The Department of Italian at Durham is committed to providing students with a challenging yet rewarding learning environment, where they will learn to master written and spoken Italian and to engage with the literary, artistic and historical traditions of one of Europe's richest and most fascinating cultures.

We have gone from strength to strength over the past years, with student numbers now surpassing 220 and six full-time members of staff. Staff research interests span the period from the thirteenth century to today, with a strong concentration of expertise in the Renaissance period. This spectrum of abilities is reflected in our curriculum which features courses in literature, art, cinema, cultural history and politics.

As well as offering language and translation courses of the highest standard, our undergraduate programme offers modules on cultural history, Dante's *Divine Comedy*, Renaissance literature and art and twentieth-century literature and film. At postgraduate level, we offer supervision of [research MAs](#) and [PhDs](#) in any of the areas mentioned above, as well as contributing to a number of modules on the School's taught [MA in Medieval and Renaissance Studies](#).

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