



Italian OPI Workshop

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The ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview, or OPI, is a valid and reliable testing method that measures how well a person speaks a language. It is a standardized procedure for the global assessment of functional speaking ability, i.e., it measures language production holistically by determining patterns of strengths and weaknesses.

An Italian language specific 4-day OPI training (novice, intermediate, advanced and superior levels) is offered at The American University of Rome.

Participants will receive a certificate of attendance at the end of the training. If they wish to pursue certification after the training, they can find more information on the following site:

<https://www.actfl.org/professional-development/training-certification>

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Day One	Tuesday July 7
9:00 - 9:30	Greetings and Introductions
9:30 - 10:30	The ACTFL OPI: Introduction/Overview Major Levels and Sublevels Rating Scale Assessment Criteria Major Levels
10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:30	Review of Major Level features
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch break
1:30 - 3:00	Listening and Rating Practice Identifying Major Levels
3:00 - 3:15	Break
3:15 - 5:30	At Level and Below Level Performance

Day Two

Wednesday July 8

9:00 - 9:30

Review

9:30 - 10:30

Sublevels
Rating Practice: Novice & Intermediate
Identifying the Low/Mid Sublevels

Interview Structure and Elicitation
The Warm-Up Activity

10:30 - 10:45

Break

10:45 - 12:30

Effective Question Types at Novice and Intermediate
The Intermediate Level Role Play

12:30 - 1:30

Lunch break

1:30 - 2:00

Effective Question Types at Novice and Intermediate
Developing Topics at the Intermediate Level

2:00 - 3:00

Practice Interview and Debriefing Novice and Intermediate

3:00 - 3:15

Break

3:15 - 5:30

Practice Interview and Debriefing Novice and Intermediate

Day Three

Thursday July 9

9:00 - 9:30

Review

9:30 - 10:30

Developing Topics at Intermediate
Level Checks and Probes

Testing at Advanced and Superior

10.30 - 10:45

Break

10:45 - 12:30

Practice Interview and Debriefing

12:30 - 1:30

Lunch break

1:30 - 3:00

Practice Interview and Debriefing

3:00 - 3:15

Break

3:15 - 5:30

Practice Interview and Debriefing

Day Four

Friday July 10

9:00 - 9:30

Review

9:30 - 10:30

Prelude Questions at Superior
Spiraling from Advance to Superior

10:30 - 10:45

Break

10:45 - 12:30

Practice Interview and Debriefing

12:30 - 1:30

Lunch break

1:30 - 3:00

Applications and Implications

3:00 - 3:15

Break

3:15 - 5:00

Discuss Applications and Implications
The Certification Process

5:00 - 5:30

Workshop Evaluations