



School of Historical and European Studies



"I chose La Trobe University for its well-respected Italian department and beautiful sprawling campus."

Italian Studies

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People often asked me why I was doing an Arts degree, and specifically Italian. My answer was always "Why not?"

I discovered an aptitude and passion for language in primary school so for me it was a natural decision to continue learning something I was good at. Further to this, the ability to research, analyse, challenge, communicate and think creatively is highly-valued in the workplace.

Studying Italian, when combined with business-savvy and ambition, can take you anywhere you want it to. Since graduating in 2002 I have worked in a number of interesting roles overseas (Japan and Italy) and in Australia which heavily relied on strong language and communicative skills. Education marketing, foreign language teaching and bilingual travel consulting have been some examples.

In the future I aim to complete my postgraduate studies and continue to establish myself in the field of marketing / public relations. Studying and communicating in a foreign language is a rewarding and empowering experience. It has instilled in me a sense of adventure and the desire to travel and explore world cultures.

"I will always be bilingual and happily carry this tool with me for life."

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