

# Mini-cultuurcursus in Montepulciano

## History & current affairs

From Fascism to contemporary Italy



These two mini-courses, of one week each, are for students interested in knowing more about the origins of contemporary Italy. The first course traces the period from the Risorgimento to the aftermath of the Second World War. The second course concentrates on the recent past and current affairs.

### **Fascism - Origins, Consensus, Collapse**

The course covers the events that, beginning with the aftermath of the First World War, led to the triumph of Fascism, the Second World War and eventual Liberation. The course offers an excellent way to understand modern Italy through period texts and films.

### **Italy Today**

A course on the aftermath of the Second World War and the economic boom, through the Years of Lead and on to Tangentopoli, or Bribesville. Essential information to understand the evolution of the political parties and key figures of the last fifty years of Italian politics: students will be able to read newspaper articles with an awareness of the many references made to Italy's recent past.

The "History & current affairs" mini-courses are open to students who have attained an intermediate-advanced knowledge of the Italian language. These individual courses last for one week and can be started on any Monday.