

Italian Heritage Curriculum at Ocean County College

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On May 17th, the New Jersey Italian Heritage Commission (NJIHC) held an educational event at Ocean County College in Toms River, NJ.

“The Universality of Italian Heritage” Curriculum Presentation featured testimonials from administrators, teachers, and even students from Oakcrest high school, to the effectiveness of the Curriculum. Additional presentations were made by NJIHC Commissioners Cav. Gilda Rorro Baldassari, Ed.D and Dr. Eileen L. Poiani, while opening remarks were graciously provided by Dr. Jon Larson, president of Ocean County College.



Attendees learned how to integrate this significant educational tool for preserving and promoting Heritage for all students from kindergarten to the undergraduate level. More information and lesson plans from the Curriculum can be found on the Commission's website [>>](#) [2]

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The New Jersey Italian Heritage Commission (NJIHC) raises public awareness of the rich and varied culture, positive achievements and traditions of Italy, the Italian people, and Italian Americans as these have contributed to American and world civilization.

The more than two million descendants of Italian immigrants in New Jersey form a vast, untapped reservoir for the development of leadership talent. Sharing a common purpose, they are the driving force behind the work and goals of the Commission. NJIHC engages in the development, support and production of education programs, forums, seminars, publications and exchanges for schools and private and public sector audiences throughout the state.

The Commission brings long overdue recognition to Italian accomplishments that have improved the quality of life for all, be it the sciences, jurisprudence, the fine and performing arts, technology, medicine, literature, philosophy, or trade and commerce.

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