

TURIN INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF  
Istituto dei Sordi di Torino



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The Turin Institution for the Deaf was opened in 1814 and established by the King of Savoy, Carlo Alberto, in 1838.

From the very beginning the institution provided both

- educational program for Deaf and hard-of-hearing students
- training for future teachers of Deaf students



The old building in Turin,  
Via Assarotti n. 12

## Our Mission today

The mission of the Turin Institution for the Deaf is to provide comprehensive educational programs in order to achieve a future independent life of the graduates.

We offer accessible learning environment that recognizes Deaf as students with special education and communication needs.



Our services ensure that students will receive a quality education with emphasis on global communication, through fluency in written and spoken Italian Language, together with Italian Sign Language.

## Vocational Training

For young and adults deaf with additional disabilities, we offer a Daily Care centre with several different workshops:

- Gardening
- Cooking
- Individual Occupational Skills Training
- Training to the use of personal computers and social network
- Workshop to develop the creativity



# Language classes

- Italian for Deaf foreigners
- Italian for deaf university students
- English (for Deaf)
- Italian Sign Language (for all)
- American Sign Language (for all)
- Afternoon classes for deaf students



# Educational Consultant and scholastic Services

Local school districts can request our services to help the inclusion of a Deaf pupil.

The Educational Consultant observes the deaf student in the classroom and makes recommendations for programming and manages training for the teachers.

Consulting services include support to the classroom with an educator specialized in deaf education (8-10 hours per week, in addition to the Special Aid Teacher provided by the public school)

# Adult services

Supported Living Arrangements and social housing

This program provides living services with appropriate support in two different houses.



# Job Development and Placement Services

Job Development and Placement Services help deaf adults to prepare for and obtain employment.

Services include:

- preparation and cultivation of skills, taking care of the transition from high school
- job placement and communication support in the interview and placement process
- job preparation and on-site supervision and job training
- assistance in developing interpersonal and social skills
- assistance in understanding company policies, rules, and benefits

Employment Services for employers include orientation to deafness, assistance in screening and recruiting deaf workers, instructing and supervising individuals on the job site, communication facilitation between colleagues to develop natural supports in the workplace.



# The Library

We have a Library that contain about 3.500 books and a wide variety of magazine specialized in Deaf Studies and an historical archive, open 5 days per week, giving informations to researchers, teachers and families.



# Other Services

- Afternoon classes for deaf students
- Speech Therapy
- Sport meetings with deaf from other part of Italy or from abroad



- Preparation to the driving licence
- Summer school
- Sign Language interpreters

# Other projects

- Research and organization of different trainings with the University of Torino
- Universal accessibility projects for museums
- European Projects (Grundvig, Comenius, Leonardo Da Vinci, Erasmus Plus)

# Contacts

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Grazie! Thank you!

