







Italy Summer Program - 2024 MCC at Florence University of the Arts

Four-Week Program Overview

May 25 through June 21, 2024 Estimated cost \$8,500

MCC students can partake in a summer academic program featuring four weeks in Italy. The program begins with a travel week "Cultural Introduction to Italy" to foster awareness of Italian cultural heritage and lifestyle. Students will experience important locations such as Rome, Maremma (southern Tuscany), and Versilia (northern Tuscany), and their defining characteristics such as cuisines, history, architecture, etc. The program will subsequently move to Florence, Italy, for three-weeks of regular academic classes held at Florence University of the Arts (FUA):

- Sunday, May 26 to Sunday, June 2:
 - Cultural Introduction to Italy (Travel Program)
- June 3 to 21:
 - Class in Florence at FUA

Program Features (9 Academic Credits)

- 3 credit course HSP225 Spring Semester class at MCC
- 3-transfer credit travel week class, itinerary below (Includes all visits, accommodation, and most meals)
- 3-credit course in Florence from <u>FUA's summer</u> schedule of classes.
- Housing and partial meal plan, Free use of gym and library
- Class trips to Parma or Pienza, and more.
- Theater, Opera, Art Galleries in Italy
- Field trips to UNESCO World Heritage sites, Venice, Fiesole & more

Program Benefits

- The travel week provides a deeper perspective of Italian culture for better immersion into the Italian culture and Florence academics.
- Living in Florence Italy, a top European destination
- Academic courses taught by highly qualified faculty
- Full assistance and services provided by FUA facilities, including well-being and extracurricular activities.
- The opportunity to internationalize your academic and future career paths.

Two-Week Travel Option

May 25 through June 9, 2024 Estimated cost \$6,200

14 nights of food, culture & history plus one-week food, pastry and wine classes in Florence.

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Program Features (4 Academic Credits)

- 1-credit course HSP 222 Spring Semester class at MCC
- 3-transfer credit travel week class
- (Includes all visits, accommodation, and most meals)

How to Enroll

Attend informational meeting during fall 2023. <a href="mailto:Emailto







City Tour and Class Schedule

- Rome
 - Piazza Venezia, Capitoline Hill, Imperial Forums, Colosseum and Roman Forum
 - Pantheon, Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps, Piazza del Popolo
- Vatican City
 - o Saint Peter's Square and Basilica
- Caprarola, in the province of Viterbo (Northern Lazio)
 - for a visit to Palazzo Farnese,
- Bagnaia and visit to Villa Lante
 - o "garden of surprise"
- Capalbio (Southern Maremma)
 - o visit the "Giardino dei Tarocchi",
- Populonia-Etruscan city of
 - o Archaeological Park of Baratti
- Bolgheri
 - vineyard and agriculture
- Versilia, on the Northern Coast of Tuscany
- Viareggio
 - Cittadella del Carnevale, the Promenade, the History
- Carrara
 - Visit of the Marble Quarries
- Pietrasanta- the town and its sculpting studios
- Cinque Terre
- Forte dei Marmi
 - Bike Tour
- Firenze/ Florence –Our home away from Home
- Fiesole
- Venice

Why Study in Italy

This course is designed to provide students the opportunity to see and experience the richness of Italy through the unique experiences of travel and immersion into local society. The core components of this course will be a stay in country, with visits to the main cities and cultural centers providing experience through immersion. Class meetings prior to the trip will focus on topics that will help students prepare for the experience, and meetings after the trip will provide a time for debriefing, reporting, evaluation, and assimilation. Students are expected to complete ten tasks during his/her stay, make an oral presentation, and prepare a portfolio of the trip. This portfolio can be a personal journal, photo display, video recording, or a combination thereof. Three class hours. On location hours are variable depending on the field experience offered.

For the 4-week program (HSP 225), students are required to attend the pre-departure lecture class (CRN 33239) and field learning activities within the country (CRN 33262).

For the 2-week program (HSP 222), students are required to attend the pre-departure lecture class (CRN 30013) and field learning activities within the country (CRN 33297). The Lecture, group discussion, readings, videos, and research projects are a few components of the pre-departure lecture component.

Visits to art galleries, archaeological sites, and cultural centers, UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as the Roman Forum, Roman Coliseum, Medici Villas and Gardens in Tuscany, and Historic Center of Florence and examples of onsite experiential learning activities.

Projects, reading assignments, and research will be a component of the course as determined necessary based on the scheduled cities, archaeological sites, and historical places, of destinations in the class schedule.

Financing Study Abroad

This is a self-funded trip. Trip needs to be paid in full by 1/31/2024. Inquire now about financial aid, scholarships, and fundraising options:

- MCC Financial Aid Office (Bldg. 1, Rm. 231)
- MCC Scholarships
- FUA Scholarships
- MCC Study Abroad





