







# **Italy Summer Program - 2018**

MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT FLORENCE UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS

#### 4-WEEK PROGRAM OVERVIEW

MCC students have the opportunity to 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 the state of the art campuses of Florence University of the Arts. Courses are offered by FUA's many academic departments and taught by a highly qualified international faculty body.

#### **DATES**

Sunday, May 27 Students arrive (Rome)

Monday, May 28 Orientation

Monday, May 28 Cultural Introduction to to Sunday, June 3 Italy (Travel Program)

Sunday, June 3 Students arrive in Florence

Monday, June 4 Orientation/Final Registration

Tuesday, June 5 Florence classes start

Thursday, June 21 Florence classes end

Friday, June 23 Housing check-out (by 10AM)

Return to USA

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#### **PROGRAM FEATURES- 9 academic credits**

- 3-transfer credit travel week prior to Florence (Includes all visits, accommodation, and some meals)
- 3-credit course selected from FUA's schedule of classes
- http://fua.it/Academics/academicschedule.html?period=310
- Housing and partial meal plan
- Free use of gym and library facilities
- Field trips to Parma or Pienza, two of Italy's gastronomic capitals and more.

#### PROGRAM BENEFITS

- The travel week provides a deeper perspective of Italian culture for better immersion at the start of Florence academics.
- Living in Florence, a top European destination that is centrally located in Italy.
- 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.

#### **HOW TO ENROLL**

For information on the program and how to enroll, please contact MCC Professor:

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#### **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)
  - o 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
  - Archaeological Park of Baratti
- Bolgheri
  - vineyard and agriculture
- Versilia, on the Northern Coast of Tuscany
- Viareggio
  - The 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
  - o Bike Tour
- Firenze/ Florence –Our home away from Home
- Fiesole
- Pienza and Montalcino
- Parma & Modena
- San Galgano and Sant'Antimo
- Volterra and Bolgheri
- Arezzo
- Lucca and its Villas
- Venice
- Pisa
- Siena

#### 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 the students prepare for the experience, and meetings after the trip will provide a time for debriefing, reporting, evaluation, and assimilation. The student is 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.

The student is required to attend the pre-departure lecture class (CRN30013) and field learning activities within the country (CRN30015). 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

Contact the MCC Financial Aid office in building #6 Room 207

http://www.monroecc.edu/tuition-aid/

### **Scholarships**

https://www.monroecc.edu/depts/glob
al-education/study-abroad/