STUDY ABROAD

ITALY

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Abbracciare II Momento
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Italy

The city of Florence will serve as home base with group travel to Rome. Students will be fully engaged as they examine the history, culture and people of Italy. The street life, museums, monuments, food, art, music, architecture and people will constitute the “textbook” for these courses. Students will be challenged daily to record their impressions and knowledge through journals, visual documentation and verbal expression. This study abroad journey will seek to engage and inform students through all five senses.

PROGRAM SITE: Florence and Rome, Italy

COURSES:
Art Appreciation (ARTS 1301) and Digital Photography (ARTS 2356)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:
Students are required to take two classes and will receive six credits hours upon completion of the program. Tuition is not included in the program fee.

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:
2.0 GPA and 12 cumulative academic credits. Alamo Colleges expects study abroad participants to perform academically at standards commensurate with on-campus performance. This includes attending class, taking exams, reading required materials, completing homework, etc. If students’ GPA drops below a 2.0 before they study abroad, they will not be allowed to participate in the program.

FACULTY LEADERS:
Professor Mark Hogensen is a professor of art at Palo Alto College. Professor Hogensen has led student groups to Spain on three occasions and has traveled extensively in Europe. He has participated in Fulbright seminars in Egypt, Bulgaria and Turkey. His artwork is widely exhibited and collected. He is a graduate of Oregon State University, BA, BFA, and University of Texas at San Antonio, MFA; Painting and Drawing.
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Professor Karen Mahaffy is a professor of Fine Arts at Palo Alto College. Professor Mahaffy has extensive experience in teaching and traveling abroad in Europe and Asia. She led student groups to China in 2006 and Spain in 2013. She participated in a Fulbright-Hays seminar to China in 2004 and was awarded a Fulbright Scholars Grant to Estonia in 2009. She has exhibited across Texas and the U.S. She is a graduate of Hope College, BA and the University of Texas at San Antonio, MFA, Sculpture.
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PROGRAM FEE:
*$4,800 Includes airfare, lodging, in-country transportation, some meals and entrance fees. This does NOT include tuition, passport fees, visa fees, books, materials and spending money. Financial aid is available.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
December 4, 2015 ............................................ $200 due with application (non refundable)

Once students are accepted into the program, they will follow the scheduled payments:

December 16, 2015 ........................................... $500 initial deposit
January 29, 2016 ............................................. $1,367
February 25, 2016 ............................................. $1,367
March 28, 2016 ................................................. $1,366

Failure to pay by the scheduled deadlines will result in cancellation of participation in the selected study abroad program.

TENTATIVE ITINERARY:
Day 1:  Depart to Florence
Day 2:  Group orientation, city walk
Day 3:  Piazza Michelangelo
Day 4:  Santa Maria del Fiore
Day 5:  Uffizi Gallery and Piazza della Signoria
Day 6:  Museo di San Marco and Galleria dell’Accademia
Day 7:  Piazza del Carmine and Brancaccio Chapel
Day 8:  Excursion to Pisa and Lucca
Day 9:  Palazzo del Bargello and Basilica Santa Croce
Day 10:  Excursion to Fiesole
Day 11:  Santa Maria Novella, San Lorenzo and the Cappella Medici
Day 12:  Pitti Palace and Boboli Gardens
Day 13:  Excursion to Sienna
Day 14:  Palazzo Vecchio and Piazza San Spirito
Day 15:  Free Day
Day 16:  Train travel to Rome, Roman Forum and Colosseum
Day 17:  Piazza Navona, Pantheon and Trevi Fountain
Day 18:  St. Peter’s Basilica and Sistine Chapel
Day 19:  Optional excursions
Day 20:  Free Day
Day 21:  Depart to US

PASSPORT:
A valid passport is required to travel. You can visit www.travel.state.gov/passport/ for additional information.

SCHOLARSHIP:
Students receiving a Pell grant are eligible for the Benjamin Gilman Scholarship. If awarded, students may receive up to $5,000. Learn more at https://gilmanapplication.iie.org/.

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