UW Classics in Italy Program
Summer 2014
IAP Program Handbook

The UW Classics in Italy study abroad program is offered by International Academic Programs (IAP) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. This program handbook supplements the IAP Study Abroad Handbook (located in your My Study Abroad account) and provides you with the most up-to-date information and advice available at the time of publication. Changes may occur before your departure or while you are abroad.

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Contact Information

On-Site Program Information
Your primary contact in Italy will be UW Professor Marc Kleijwegt, the Resident Director. While in Italy, Professor Kleijwegt will be staying in the same housing as students.

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For this program, IAP works closely with Educational Tours and Cruises, LLC, a company that specializes in custom-designed study tours.

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Emergency Contact Information
In case of an emergency, call the main IAP number (608) 265-6329 between 7:45 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; after-hours or on weekends call the IAP staff on call at (608) 516-9440.

Your Resident Director can be reached during the program on an Italian mobile phone.

If you are calling from within Italy (on an Italian phone): TBA
If you are calling from the US (or with a US phone): TBA

Embassy Registration
All program participants who are U.S. citizens must register at the U.S. Embassy before departure as this will help in case of a lost passport or other mishap. You can register on-line at https://travelregistration.state.gov. If you are not a U.S. citizen, register at your home country’s embassy or consulate.

U.S. Embassy in Rome
Via Vittorio Veneto 121
00187 ROMA
Telephone (switchboard): +(39) 06.46.74.1
http://rome.usembassy.gov/english/

Consulate General of the US - Naples
Piazza della Repubblica
80122 Naples, Italy
Tel. (+39) 081.5838.111
http://naples.usconsulate.gov/english/

Program Dates
Depart U.S. May 18
Arrive in Rome (first night in housing) May 19
Course dates May 19-June 6
Departure from housing (in Naples) June 6 (morning)

**The program will officially start on Monday, May 19th. You will need to meet the group just outside of the customs area in the Rome airport. When making travel arrangements, be sure to book a flight that arrives in the late afternoon (or earlier). Specific arrival instructions will be emailed to you once all students have uploaded their arrival info in their My Study Abroad account.
Preparation Before Leaving

**Immigration Documents**

**Passport**

A passport is needed to travel to Italy. Apply immediately for a passport if you do not already have one. Passport information and application forms can be found on the U.S. State Department website (http://travel.state.gov/passport). If you already have your passport, make sure it will be valid for at least 6 months beyond the length of your stay abroad.

**Visa**

Students participating in this faculty-led short-term program to Italy do not require a student visa.

**Handling Money Abroad**

The currency in Italy is in Euros. For the latest currency exchange rate, visit [www.x-rates.com](http://www.x-rates.com).

Students can obtain an ISIC (International Student Identity Card) prior to departure. This card entitles the students to discounted rates for the fieldtrip locations you will attend on this program and also to other locations throughout Europe. Details on the ISIC card can be found at [www.isic.org](http://www.isic.org). You can purchase an ISIC card at STA Travel on State Street.

Students should also bring their UW student ID for discounted admission on a variety of entry fees.

**Packing**

All manner of clothing is possible in Italy, within the limits of decency and good taste. Italians do tend to dress up, so you might want to consider that when you pack. You are expected to dress in a respectable manner when visiting churches and monasteries. In order to enter a church, men and women are expected to wear shirts that cover their shoulders (no tank tops). You will see tourists entering churches with far less clothing than is required, but it can be considered offensive. A hat is also good for protection against the strong Mediterranean sun.

Since this trip includes a lot of walking on uneven, cobbled streets (some almost 2500 years old!), you are advised to bring a comfortable pair of shoes, preferably tennis shoes. Flip-flops are not advised for site visits.

**Electronics**

The standard in Italy is 220V AC (50Hz). With the difference in currency, we recommend that you avoid taking U.S. electrical appliances. If you do, pack an adapter together with your electrical appliance, so that you do not have to spend valuable time looking for adapters and transformers during your stay.
Travel and Arrival Information

You are responsible for making your own travel arrangements, which includes arranging flights that will allow for appropriate arrival time before the course start date. You may wish to arrange flights with other students on the program or fly on your own.

The program will officially start at **Monday, May 19th**. You should choose to arrive in Rome (Fiumicino, also called Leonardo da Vinci – FCO) - [www.adr.it](http://www.adr.it). The program staff, Resident Director, and other program participants will then board a bus for your accommodation in Rome.

The program will officially end the morning of Friday, June 6. After breakfast, you will meet a private bus that will take you to the Rome airport. Please keep in mind that it takes approximately 4-5 hours to travel from Naples to Rome by bus. If you plan to depart from the Rome airport on June 6, you should book a flight for late afternoon/early evening.

You may choose to book your return flight from Rome OR from Naples (Naples International Airport, NAP, [http://www.naples-airport.info/](http://www.naples-airport.info/)). If you depart from Naples, you are responsible for finding your own transportation to the airport. There are taxis which leave from the main train station at Piazza Garibaldi.

Arrival Directions

Meet outside the customs area in the Rome airport.

The Academic Program

General Information

There is no better way to learn about the Romans and the Roman Empire than to visit the sites and the museums in the country where their history unfolded. For this course you do not need a textbook. The local guides and your instructor will help you to imagine the course of history against the backdrop of the Eternal City.

Course Information

Instruction for this course is grounded in visits to museums and the sites of Roman civilization. Students will write three essays of five pages in length for the value of three credits. One essay covers modern Italian culture and society, while the other two cover buildings from Imperial Rome that have played a central role in the history of the city. On top of the three credits you will receive an educational experience unlike anything else you have ever been through.

Registration

IAP will register you for a special “Study Abroad Course” for the term(s) you will be studying abroad; therefore, it is not necessary for you to register on the UW-Madison campus. This is a temporary registration, which will be converted into graded UW-Madison credit after the completion of your program.
**Course Equivalent Requests (CERs)**
Each course you take abroad must be assigned a UW-Madison “equivalent” and the grade you receive in the course also transfers back to be recorded on your UW-Madison transcript. Detailed information on the UW course equivalent process that you will use through your My Study Abroad account is available in the IAP Study Abroad Handbook and in your My Study Abroad account under the academics tab.

**This course cannot be taken for Pass/Fail.** Upon successful completion of the course, students will earn 3 UW-Madison credits of *Classics 372: Topics in Roman Culture.*

You will receive more detailed course information from the Resident Director at program orientation. Planned activities and fieldtrips are subject to change.

**Summer 2014 Itinerary:**

**Monday May 19**
Arrive in Rome
Upon arrival, meet the bus and driver for airport pick up and drop off at your accommodation
Welcome dinner
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Tuesday May 20**
Full day (5 hours) guided visit of the Colosseum and Roman Forum
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Wednesday May 21**
Full day (5 hours) guided visit of the Capitoline Museum and Palatine Hill
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Thursday May 22**
Full day (5 hours) guided visit of the Vatican, Vatican Museum and St. Peter's Basilica
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Friday May 23**
Visit Ostia Antica by train
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Saturday May 24**
Visit Villa Borghese Museum and gardens
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Sunday May 25**
Visit Campus Martius and the Campo Dei Fiori. Afternoon visit of Le Domus Romane at Palazzo Valentino.
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova

**Monday May 26**
Visit Piazza Navonna, Pantheon and Largo Argentina
Breakfast included
Overnight in Rome – Hotel Nord Nuova
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<td>Guided visits at the Imperial Fora, Trajan’s Column, and the Market of Trajan</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>Visit the Sundial and the Mausoleum of Augustus</td>
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<td>Thursday</td>
<td>Full day visit to the Orvieto (or Tuscania)</td>
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<td>Friday</td>
<td>Full day visit to the Catacombs, San Clemente, and Villa Giulia</td>
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<td>Saturday</td>
<td>LEAVE ROME FOR NAPLES</td>
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<td>May 31</td>
<td>On the way to Naples, visit to the Temple of Jove at Terracina and Tiberius’ villa at Sperlonga</td>
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<td>Sunday</td>
<td>Visit the Museo Archaeologico Nazionale in Naples and sightseeing on your own in Naples area.</td>
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<td>Monday</td>
<td>Visit the Herculaneum.</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>Full day visit to Pompeii and Villa dei Misteri. Hike to the top of Vesuvius by cabs from train station.</td>
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<td>Visit Oplontis &amp; Boscoreale.</td>
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Living Abroad

Italy is located on the Italian Peninsula in southern Europe, and on the two largest islands in the Mediterranean Sea, Sicily and Sardinia. Italy shares its northern Alpine boundary with France, Switzerland, Austria and Slovenia. The independent states of San Marino and the Vatican City are enclaves within the Italian Peninsula, while Campione d’Italia is an Italian exclave in Switzerland. Italy has been the home of many European cultures, such as the Etruscans and the Romans, and later was the birthplace of the Renaissance, which began in Tuscany and then spread throughout Europe. Italy’s capital, Rome, has been the center of Western civilization, and is the center of the Catholic Church. Today, Italy is a democratic republic. It is a founding member of the European Union and has used the Euro since 1999.

Housing

Housing will consist of double and triple occupancy rooms.

Rome

While in Rome (May 19 – May 30), all participants will be staying at Hotel Nord Nuova
Hotel Nord Nuova Roma
Via G. Amendola, 3
00185 Roma Italia
Numero Verde: 800 860 004
Tel. (+39) 06 4885441
http://www.romehotelnord.it/en

While in Sorrento (May 31 – June 2), all participants will be staying at Hotel Cosmomare
Via Ripa di Cassano, 43 - PIANO DI SORRENTO
Tel: +39.0818787343
http://www.cosmomare.it/en/

While in Pompeii (June 3 – June 6), all participants will be staying at Hotel Forum
Via Roma 99, POMPEI (NA)
80045 Italia
Tel: +39 0818501170

Transportation

Quite a bit of travel will be done on foot. Walking to the various lecture locations is a great way to absorb your surroundings! Be sure to bring some good walking shoes.

When travel to lecture locations cannot be done on foot, the program will utilize local transportation: CircumVesuviana railway line to sites around Naples; public buses in Rome. Some buses will be chartered for longer distances.