

Study abroad in *Florence*

Citrus College Winter Intercession 2019



Founded in 1964

Over 1.5 million students in over 20 countries

Partnered with the Southern California Foothills Consortium since 1989

Local Program Coordinators

Extensive incident response and crisis management procedures



Are you...

- ready for a change?
- ready for an adventure?
- ready for **challenges**?
- ready to **be open-minded** and **flexible**?

These are qualities of a successful study abroad student!

Why study abroad?

Less than 10% of US college students study abroad



Shows college admissions and employers skills such as **international perspective**, **cultural awareness**, **diversity**, **problem solving**, **"thinking out of the box"...**

Personal skills you gain: independence, creativity, tolerance, openness, initiative, a sense of humor, adaptability, flexibility, values, patience...

85% of students agree that studying abroad was the most meaningful experience of their undergraduate education.



Ideally situated for travel around Europe

Cities including London, Paris and Barcelona are a 2 hour flight away on a budget airline







Travel around Italy





Program Dates

Friday, January 4, 2019 Depart the U.S.

Saturday, January 5, 2019 Arrive in Florence

Sunday, January 6, 2019 Orientation & Guided Tour of Florence

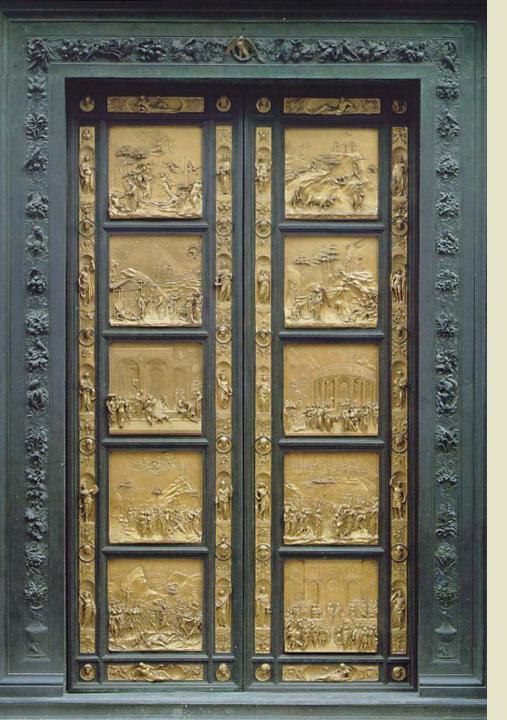
Monday, January 7, 2019 Classes begin

Saturday, February, 2, 2019 Depart Florence & Return to the U.S.



Academics

- Courses are UC/CSU transferable
- Meet General Education requirements
- All students enroll in one or both courses for 3 or 6 credits
- Florence is our classroom!



Professor Senya Lubisich

HUM 102

HUMANITIES FROM THE RENAISSANCE THROUGH THE 19TH CENTURY



Professor Michael Hillman

ART 103

ART HISTORY AND APPRECIATION-RENAISSANCE AND ROCOCO



AIFS Study Center

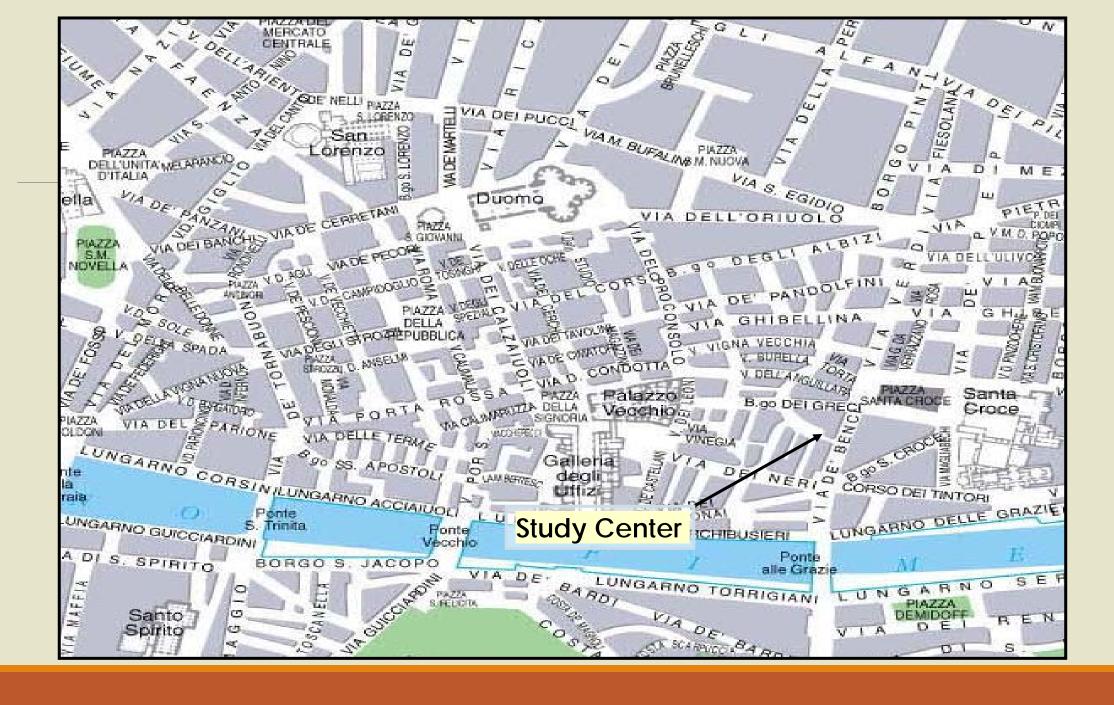
13th Century Palazzo

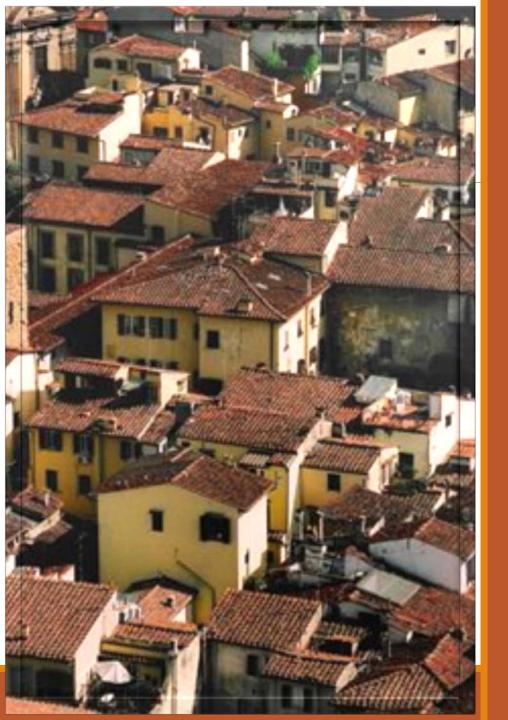
Wifi and computer lab

AIFS Student Advisors

24-hour emergency contact service

Orientation program, Welcome reception and guided tour of Florence





Housing

Student Apartments

- Equipped kitchens, living area, full bath, Wi-Fi, washing machines
- No meals are included
- 20-30 minute walk to the study center
- Typically 4-6 students in each apartment in double rooms

Field trips and activities

Uffizi Gallery



Chianti wine tasting

Cooking class



Field trip: Siena & San Gimignano



Optional Rome tour \$525

Included:

- 3 days/2 nights
- Transportation & accommodations in student hostels
- Breakfast daily
- Guided tours of the Colosseum, St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel





Optional Meal Plan \$175

- 10 vouchers
- Valid for lunch or dinner
- Various cuisines







Optional Group Flight

- Round trip group flight LAX-Florence
- Airport pick-up by AIFS staff and transfer to accommodations in Florence; Return transfer at the end of the program
- Price \$tba (including government and airline imposed taxes, fees and fuel surcharges)

Included in the program fee

- \$2945 (20-29 students) or \$2795 (30+ students)
- Shared student apartment accommodations- no meals, kitchenette, living space & bathroom, washing machine
- AIFS Student Center & Staff services including 24/7 emergency contact
- Orientation program & activities, Guided tour of Florence

- Activities in Florence including visits to museums, monuments, walking tours, wine tasting, cooking class
- Medical and Fee refund insurance
- Application fee
- Pre departure services and orientation

Expenses not included

- Airfare: Optional flight available or students may purchase their own flights
- Community College tuition fees (CCPG (former BOG) fee waiver applicable)
- Textbooks
- Personal expenses including passport fees and personal travel
- \$125 refundable damage deposit
- Meals



Eligibility requirements

- Completion of at least 12 units of degree applicable college credit
- GPA of 2.5 or higher
- First semester? A work in process may be accepted. See your Study Abroad advisor.

How to apply

- 1. Fill out the program Interest Form www.citruscollege.edu/studyabroad
- 2.Once your application is approved, you will be sent a link to the AIFS online enrollment form.
- 3. Once course registration opens, register for classes with the Citrus College registrar.

Scholarships

✓ Benjamin Gilman Scholarships: <u>www.gilmanscholarship.org</u> Open to PELL Grant

eligible students

✓ www.scholarships.com

- ✓ www.scholarshipmonkey.com
- ✓ www.studyabroad.com/scholarships
- ✓ www.nafsa.org



Creative Funding Ideas

Back to basics ideas- side jobs, sales, garage sales, etc.

Lifestyle changes- cut down on expenses, gifts of money

Crowd fundingwww.gofundme.com, etc.

Letter writing campaigns- Elks Club, Lions Club, Company matching, etc.



Remember

Study abroad in a foreign country, even England, can be a challenge and create stress. It is important to speak directly, and prior to applying, with your study abroad adviser to

- Discuss all DSPS accommodations you require
- Disclose any physical & mental health issues, physical limitations, dietary requirements, medications, etc. you may have
- Discuss expectations and challenges posed by the study abroad location and culture

We want your experience to be a total success, so please help us, help you!



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