WHY STUDY ABROAD?

- To gain independence, confidence, cross-cultural understanding, and valuable travel skills
- To make real connections to what you study in the classroom
- To become a citizen of the world
- To acquire skills that employers and graduate schools find desirable
- To have fun

Italian Life & Culture Highlights

Courses: 6 credits (both required)
- Italian Arts, Artifacts, & Culture, 3 credits
- Human Trafficking in Italy and the Mediterranean, 3 credits

Student Voices

“I made new friendships, I ate new foods, I learned to stress less about the small things, I have fallen in love with the Italian culture, and the list could literally go on forever. At first I am utterly speechless when people ask me about my trip because there is just too much to say and so many stories to tell, so the first thing that comes out of my mouth is, ‘It was life-changing. You HAVE to go to Italy.’ Every. single. time.”

- Bailey Perry, Summer 2016

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How to Apply


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Overview of Italian Life and Culture

The program begins with four weeks in Sansepolcro, Italy, a small Tuscan town about halfway between Florence and Rome. Your classes will typically meet in the morning and early afternoon, leaving most of your evenings for study and for exploration of Sansepolcro.

Within its sixteenth-century walls, Sansepolcro contains numerous ancient and beautiful buildings—palaces, churches, museums, hotels, restaurants, and shops. Sansepolcro provides a wonderful, comfortable, friendly, and safe place to live and study. Nearby towns make great day trips by bus or train, and you will have designated days free to travel to spectacular places that you have always dreamed of visiting. But after a day or extended time away, returning to Sansepolcro will make you feel as though you have come home.

Group excursions will introduce you to the art and architectural delights of nearby Anghiari, Arezzo, Florence, Perugia, Assisi, and Rome. The program will conclude with a three-day exploration of Rome.

Academics

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<tr>
<td>IDS 300: Italian Arts, Artifacts &amp; Culture 3 credits</td>
<td>Dr. Eloise Grathwohl Professor of English <a href="mailto:grathwohle@meredith.edu">grathwohle@meredith.edu</a></td>
<td>This course is an introduction to the culture &amp; social life of peoples in continental Europe based upon a study of their arts &amp; artifacts. Students will develop independent travel skills, reflect on the culture through journaling, and visit a multitude of important historical and cultural sites.</td>
<td>Arts and Aesthetics or Cultural Elective and Global Perspectives</td>
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<td>HIS Special Topics: Human Trafficking in Italy and the Mediterranean 3 credits</td>
<td>Dr. Dan Fountain Professor of History <a href="mailto:fountain@meredith.edu">fountain@meredith.edu</a></td>
<td>This course will explore the history of slavery in Italy and the Mediterranean. After reviewing patterns of slavery in the ancient Mediterranean world that shape the historic circumstances of human bondage, the course will cover the expansion and surprising persistence of slavery during the modern era.</td>
<td>Cultural Elective and Ethical Perspectives History Elective for majors and minors</td>
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Finances

Program Cost (includes): $ 5,500

- $100 Application deposit
- Tuition for 6 Meredith College credits
- Accommodations in Sansepolcro and Rome
- Weekday breakfasts and lunches
- Academic excursions to Anghiari, Arezzo, Florence, Perugia, Assisi, and Rome
- Survival Italian language class
- Coach transport to/from Sansepolcro
- On-site support from faculty, local Associate Director, and alumna Program Assistant

Additional Estimated Expenses:

- Round-trip airfare $ 1,600
- Passport—if applicable $ 150
- International health insurance $ 70
- International cell phone plan $ 150
- Independent travel $ 750
- Personal spending money $ 750

Note: Estimates are based on previous student reports. Your spending habits may differ.