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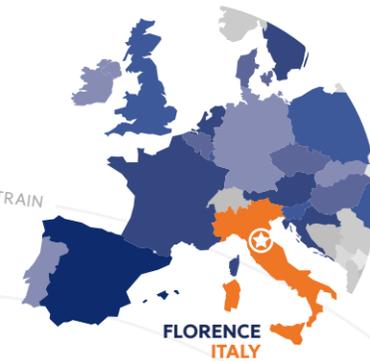
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Art and architecture, business and politics meet across the centuries. Experience *la dolce vita* and enhance your professional portfolio.  
**COME DISCOVER FLORENCE!**



**Accademia Gallery**  
 Houses Michelangelo's David and a collection of the artist's other sculptures.

**ACF Fiorentina Soccer Match**  
 This professional football (soccer) club plays at the Stadio Artemio Franchi.



← PISA, ITALY: 1.3 HOURS BY CAR, 1.25 HOURS BY TRAIN

**Palazzo Medici**  
 Step into the Renaissance in this opulent palace built in the 1400s.



**Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore (Duomo)**  
 Massive cathedral at the heart of historic Florence.

**Parco delle Cascine**  
 Florence's largest park has playgrounds, a swimming pool, bike/walking paths, green space.



**Palazzo Vecchio in Piazza della Signoria**  
 This medieval fortress is Florence's town hall.



**Uffizi Gallery**  
 Founded by the Medici, this colossal gallery is considered the first museum in the world.



**Giardino Bardini**  
 Italian Renaissance garden in the hilly part of Oltrarno; offers stunning views of Florence.



↓ CHIANTI, ITALY: 45 MINUTES BY CAR, 1.3 HOURS BY TRAIN

-  **Tram**  
Very affordable and efficient
-  **Bus**  
Main lines within a block of the center
-  **Taxi**  
Available throughout Florence
-  **Bicycle**  
MoBike App



## STUDY IN DEPTH

Each Syracuse Abroad center offers depth in particular areas of study. At Syracuse Florence...

- Architecture
- Visual and performing arts: design and studio arts
- Engineering
- European history and politics
- History of art
- Italian language, literature and culture
- Cross-cultural management and entrepreneurship
- Mediterranean food and culture
- Sustainability
- Gender and sexuality
- Diversity and cultural identity

Explore a range of topics across disciplines at the center or through courses at our partner institutions.

## The City

In **Florence**, history and modernity overlap. Walk along a narrow, cobbled street into a public square where ancient buildings house modern businesses, and you'll feel the layering of centuries that characterize this city. Florence brims with architectural and artistic masterpieces. Since the Italian Renaissance, it has been a center of creativity and intellectual thought, and it's fast becoming a hub for business, European politics and international education.

## Syracuse Florence

The Syracuse Florence center, known as the Villa Rossa, is a welcoming campus of five historic buildings and a lovely courtyard garden where you can sip a cappuccino from our café and soak up some sunshine. Syracuse Florence classes are based here, and Syracuse University staff are available to guide and support you during your time abroad. Villa Rossa is within easy walking distance of Florence's historic city center.

## Program Details

The Syracuse Florence program, which was founded in 1959 and just celebrated its 60th anniversary, is highly respected throughout the region.

You can study in Florence in any spring or fall semester, or over the summer. And, if you are a Syracuse University student, we offer a range of short-term programs in Florence and a first-semester option!

You do not need to speak Italian to enroll at Syracuse Florence. Italian language or literature will be part of your coursework.



## In the Classroom

Syracuse Florence courses are Syracuse University courses. You can expect a curriculum that is rigorous, innovative and distinguished by the same exceptional standards that apply to every other aspect of the Syracuse University academic experience. Your Syracuse Florence courses may fulfill curricular requirements so you can stay on track to graduate on time; check with your academic advisor.

In Florence you will be profoundly inspired. Courses include local site visits that ensure close encounters with art, history and other aspects of the city's renown. A major player in European business and economics, Florence is a perfect place for experiential learning that addresses the challenges and opportunities of a global economy.

## World Ready. Career Ready.

An internship in Florence will allow you to apply classroom lessons to real work situations, explore career options, develop professional skills—maybe even meet future colleagues! You can earn academic credit and gain valuable international work experience that will distinguish you as a global thinker and an effective communicator across language and cultural barriers. We have extensive contacts with over 50 host institutions, including in many businesses and start-ups. Our on-site internship coordinator will work with you to find the placement that best suits your interests and qualifications.

## Travel with Purpose

Join an optional three-credit seminar, before or after the regular semester, and engage deeply with social, cultural and environmental issues facing Europe and the world today.

- **Sustainability and Environmental Justice in Europe** is a 10-day journey, offered in the fall or spring, through **Denmark, Norway, Sweden** and **Finland** to study how innovation has propelled the sustainable practices these countries are known for.
- Spring semester students can travel with **Culinary Crossings: Explore Mediterranean Food Systems Through Photography to Cyprus, Spain and Sicily**—including a visit to the original Syracuse.

Site visits, travel outings and field study are central to many of your courses. The program includes visits to **Rome, Naples, Assisi, Venice, Sicily** and many other locations. Course-specific trips will take you to **Chianti, Padua, Pompeii** or **Turin** to experience archaeological remains, great works of art and world-class cultural festivals.

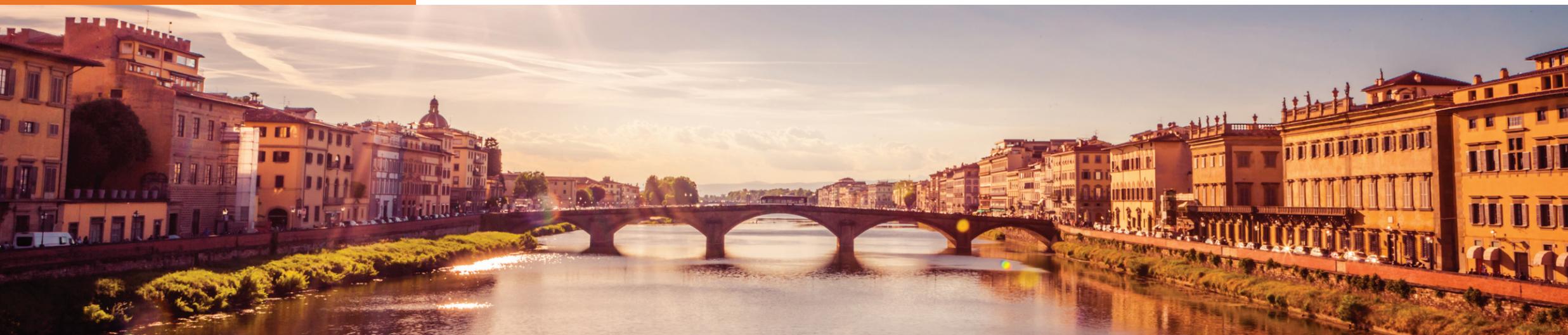
Syracuse Florence faculty members—who are very knowledgeable of the area and in some cases Italian natives— will help you get the most out of the excursions throughout the region.

## THE CITY IS YOUR CLASSROOM

You'll take fascinating courses that draw on local history and culture. For example:

Made in Italy: Business, Craftsmanship and Branding Success; Cross-Cultural Management: Communicating in the Global Marketplace; Sustainable Urbanism in Europe; Leonardo da Vinci; Ceramics: Hand-building; Italian Fashion and Food Stories; The Italian Mafia; Economics of European Integration; Politics of Immigration in Europe

If you'd like an immersive language experience, you can enroll in intensive language courses at our partner school, the Università degli Studi di Firenze (UniFI). If you have advanced Italian, you can enroll in any course at UniFI and take classes alongside Italian peers.



## At Home in Florence

Your study abroad experience will be enriched well beyond the classroom. Want to learn how to make fresh pasta or finally get why people make such a big deal about different olive oils? Looking to test your mettle in a spirited five-on-five soccer tournament, or practice your Italian with local students? The Syracuse Florence campus is always humming with great programming, and we can help you find even more to do in the broader community.

Most of our students live with a host family during their time abroad. The homestay experience is consistently rated as one of the favorite experiences by our Syracuse Abroad students. Your inclusion in authentic Italian life means home-cooked meals, participation in everyday and local customs, and connections and friendships to last a lifetime. Host families are carefully screened by our housing office. Many have hosted Syracuse students for years.

Due to long studio hours and an intense field studies schedule, students in the architecture program often live in apartments rather than living with a host family. Depending on availability, this is an option for studio arts students as well. The Syracuse Florence housing office books apartments for students in advance of their arrival.

“ I was invited to visit a professor’s studio in Barga, Tuscany, with three other students. I could see the strong influence the town had on his artwork. Understanding how some of the works were influenced by the place helped open my range of vision for my own work.”

Devyn Passaretti '16, illustration



## HOW DOES SYRACUSE ABROAD ADDRESS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION?

Syracuse Abroad programs strive to create a space that makes every student feel welcomed, supported, empowered and valued. Each program exposes you to original perspectives while preparing you to thrive in a new environment. Resources and services are available to help you acclimate and gain greater understanding of customs and mores of other countries.

## EXPAND YOUR CLASSROOM.

Syracuse Florence field trips take you beyond the city to experience some of the wonders of the region:

A four-day excursion to a volcano (earth-science)

Visits to Tuscan farms and wineries (nutrition science)

A private tour of Rome’s Sistine Chapel (art history)

Overnight trips to study design in Milan

A multiday exploration to Sicily for students in our course studying the Mafia

## Cost and Aid

We are committed to making the Syracuse Abroad experience possible for all students. Your financial aid package may apply to Syracuse Abroad and there are a host of other assistance options including scholarships, grants and awards. Contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarship Programs at **315.443.1513** or visit the website at [syracuse.edu/admissions/cost-and-aid/contact](http://syracuse.edu/admissions/cost-and-aid/contact) to learn more—study abroad is within your reach!

## Next Steps

Ready to expand your horizons in Florence? Visit the Syracuse Abroad website or meet with your academic advisor, and start planning your Italian experience.



Visit the Tower of Pisa



Experience Tuscany



## Meet Sasha Perugini, Ph.D. Director of the Florence Center

A native of Tuscany, Professor Perugini’s passion for study abroad was ignited during her senior year in college when she spent a semester in the United Kingdom. She earned a doctorate in history of theater and performing arts from Tufts University and has been the director of Syracuse Florence since 2011. Perugini has published four books, on topics ranging from language to food. She is involved in advocacy for women in leadership and also enjoys rock climbing.

Syracuse Abroad staff and faculty will help guide your immersion, ensure your well-being and support you academically. Program directors oversee operations at the centers and often teach as well. They are experts in their fields and have extensive experience in the countries where they live, work and teach.

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