



# Your semester in Florence Awaits!

Spring 2021 Program

Syracuse Florence Center

Syracuse Abroad



# Semester dates



<b>Program Milestones</b>	<b>Date</b>
Pre-arrival online program	Monday, January 11 - Wednesday, February 3
On-site program start date	Thursday, February 11
First day of classes	Monday, February 15
Mid-semester break	Monday, March 22 - Friday, March 26
Program end date	Friday, April 30
Signature Seminar (optional)	Thursday, April 29 - Monday May 10

# Pre-Arrival Online Program

**Prior to arrival, you will complete coursework and attend lectures online to better prepare yourself for your semester in Italy!**

- You will begin a 1-credit “Mapping Italy” course, as well as your Italian language and general Florence Center courses during this time
- You will be able to access the majority of content on your own time during a specified period outlined by your professor; real-time Zoom lectures will be minimal
- Homework will be minimal

**A preliminary online orientation will be given by the Student Life and Housing Offices on February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

# Travel with purpose during your semester

**Discover Italy like no tourist can!**

**Take advantage of:**

- All-School Field Trips
- Course-related Field Studies



# Travel with purpose during your semester

## All-School Field Trips - open to all students\*

Explore the city of Florence, Tuscany and Italy through different lenses

Each trip is designed to focus on multiple tags so you can easily pick your favorite options based on your interests: **#foodie, #inclusiveness&diversity, #naturelovers, #arts&heritage...** and many more!

\*With the exception of architecture students; separate field trips will be arranged for these students



# Travel with purpose during your semester

## Course-related Field Studies

Immerse yourself in Florentine culture by exploring the city, visiting museums, local markets and artisans' workshops as a part of your courses.



# Engage with your center & city

## Extracurricular activities

- Cooking Classes
- Chocolate Tasting
- Wine & Olive Oil Tasting
- Lunch at the Villa
- Lecture Series
- Italian Language and Culture as an integral part of the experience



# Housing

## The Student Hotel

- Fully furnished single room with a private bathroom
- Meals included: breakfast 7 days a week, dinner Monday - Friday
- Bike path to Syracuse Florence Center & FREE bike rental
- Tramway to and from airport
- 20 minutes walking distance from Syracuse Florence Center
- 15 minutes walking distance from historical city center
- 5 minutes walking distance from train station



# Housing

## The Student Hotel

- Restaurant & Cafe (in house 15% student discount)
- Recreational lounges / music room
- Study room
- Gym
- Pool (seasonal)
- On-site laundry room
- Shared kitchen
- Linen and room cleaning services
- High speed Wi-Fi



# Global learning opportunities

## The city as your classroom

- The program focuses on cultural immersion and experiential learning.
- From course-related site visits and field trips, to extracurricular activities and community engagement with local associations...

**It's all about being out there and learning *in* the city and *through* the city.**



# Discover Other Sides of Italy through Optional 3-Credit Signature Seminars

*Enhance your study abroad experience and earn three credits on an optional intensive travelling course from April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 10<sup>th</sup> after regular classes end\**

## Culinary Crossings

- Visit and understand the Apulia region on Italy's southeastern coast, known as the crossroads of Mediterranean cultures and tastes



## Empires of Exchange: The Visual Cultures of Power, Mobility, and Erasure in the Mediterranean

- Study these themes in the Italian cities of Palermo, Venice, and Trieste



\*OrangeAbroad application and additional fee involved. Enrollment space is limited.

# Meet the Florence team!

## **Sasha Perugini, Ph.D.**

Center Director



Dr. Sasha Perugini has been the director of the Syracuse University Florence program since 2011.

She also teaches a course on Cross-Cultural Management: “Working in the Global World”.

Amy Kleine assists students with physical and mental health and wellness and handles accommodation requests for students with special needs.

She teaches a course on cross-cultural studies. As a member of the emergency team, she keeps the 24/7 emergency phone on a rotating basis.

## **Amy Kleine**

Assistant Director  
for Health and  
Wellness



# Meet the Florence team!

## Jessica Volpe

Assistant Director for Student Life



Jessica Volpe oversees the Student Life and Housing offices.

She is responsible for organizing orientation and coordinates the 24/7 emergency phone team.

Bob Vallier oversees all operations of the Academic Office at Syracuse Florence.

In addition to taking care of all of your academic concerns, he is also the resident philosopher.



## Bob Vallier

Assistant Director for Teaching and Learning

# Additional student support abroad

Office for Health & Wellness

In-house doctor who visits the campus 3 times a week

Syracuse Florence Emergency Number 24/7

## International SOS

- Medical & Security Advisory Service available 24/7 providing access to medical care and security advice if an issue comes up abroad.

## **Alert Traveler**

- GPS function that allows pertinent alerts to be communicated with students through a mobile app should an emergency situation arise.

## **Syracuse Abroad resources**

- Seth Tucker: Director of Global Safety
- Bridget Demorest: Asst. Director of Student Services



## **Contact us with questions!**

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