

Italy Study Abroad Information & Itinerary

(April 2-10, 2015 - CTC Spring Break)



Price of the Program and What's Included

- 4 nights in Rome, 2 nights in Florence, at a 2- or 3-star hotel (Breakfast included each morning)
- Hotel rooms are for three travelers, each with his/her own bed
- Airfare that leaves from Hartsfield Jackson International airport on Thursday, April 2, and returns April 9th
- Transportation to and from the various cities/sites that we will be visiting.
- Admission to the various museums/exhibits that we will attend
- A delicious pizza "Welcome" dinner in Rome, and a traditional dinner in a classic Florentine restaurant
- A leather-making demonstration at a leather workshop in Florence
- Local tour guide/Coordinator who will accompany us on all excursions during the trip
- In Rome - Sightseeing tour of Vatican City, St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, the Colosseum, the Roman Forum, the Pantheon, the Piazza Navona, the Trevi Fountain
- In Florence - Sightseeing tour of the Duomo, Michelangelo's statue of David, Botticelli's 'The Birth of Venus', the Piazza Della Signoria, the Ponte Vecchio bridge, Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise
- A visit to a local Italian university for an academic/cultural exchange with Italian students
- International health, travel and luggage insurance

Total Cost: *approximately \$3430 (this does not include CTC tuition and student fees)

Is Financial Aid Available and How do I pay for this trip?

While Financial Aid cannot apply to this trip, it can be applied to CTC tuition and Student Fees (assuming that you qualify). Therefore, the \$3430 which covers the cost of the trip must be paid by the traveler. Payment plans are available through the tour provider, allowing students to make monthly payments (the full cost of the trip must be paid one month before the date of departure).

Who can go on this trip?

Only enrolled students at CTC for the Spring 2015 semester are eligible to go on this trip. Any spouses/friends/parents/etc. who wish to go must be enrolled for Spring 2015 and taking one of the eligible courses. Additionally, all travelers must be a US Citizen AND have a current US Passport by the date of departure (we can assist students with the US Passport Application process).

How do I apply?

Interested students must fill out the Study Abroad application (attached in this email) and return it to either Frank Incoe (Office B209.8 at the Marietta Campus) or Shari Szalwinski (Office B213 at the Paulding Campus), or through email. All applications will be evaluated by the Dean of Arts and Sciences, and approved applicants will be allowed to enroll in the trip by paying a \$95 non-refundable deposit by December 1st.

What courses are offered?

*All travelers will be required to enroll in at least **ONE** of the following courses (with specific instructors) for the Spring 2015 semester in order to be eligible for the trip. Students will attend the course and complete the coursework for the enrolled class just like any other course. The specific CRN numbers for these courses will be released once the Spring Schedule has been publicized. While some of these courses will be online, others will meet at specific times and campuses.*

HUMN 1101	-Humanities
SPCH 1101	-Public Speaking
COMM 1109	-Human Communication
ENGL 1101	-Grammar and Composition
ENGL 1102	-Literature & Composition
ENGL 2110	-World Literature
HIST 1111	-World History I
SOCI 1101	-Introduction to Sociology
POLS 2041	-Global Issues
PSCY 1101	-Introduction to Psychology
ARTS 1101	-Art Appreciation

Additional Information Regarding the Trip

Two full-time CTC instructors, as well as a local tour guide will be accompanying students everywhere throughout the trip. The safety of our students is extremely important to us, and we will be accompanying students everywhere in their exploration of this country. While the majority of your expenses for this trip are included in the cost of the program, you will be expected to pay for most of your own meals (remember that breakfast and two dinners are included during the week). Also, please plan ahead and have set aside money for souvenir shopping, plus roughly \$70 for tipping the various bus drivers and tour guides who will be providing their services while abroad.

Any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact the two CTC instructors in charge of the trip

Frank Inscoc - frank.inscoc@chattahoocheetech.edu
Shari Szalwinski - shari.szalwinski@chattahoocheetech.edu

Itinerary (approximate dates)

Day 1 - Thur., April 2: - Depart from Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport

- Flight to Rome, Italy

Day 2 - Fri., April 3: (Rome)

- Arrival at Rome Airport
- Transportation by private bus from the airport to the hotel
- Check in to hotel, and have orientation session with local Tour Director
- Settle in, and (time permitting), do some local exploration of the city
- Enjoy a delicious pizza "Welcome" dinner with the group

Day 3 - Sat., April 4: (Rome)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- Sightseeing tour of Vatican City, including St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, and works by Michelangelo and Raphael
- (Time permitting) free time to explore Rome

Day 4 - Sun. April 5: (Rome)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Public transportation during the day
- Sightseeing tour of Rome, including the Colosseum, and the Roman Forum
- Walking tour of Rome, including the Pantheon, the Piazza Navona, and the Trevi Fountain

Day 5 - Mon. April 6: (Florence)

- Breakfast at the hotel, then check-out
- Public transportation during the day
- Travel to Florence
- Sightseeing tour of Florence, including art of Michelangelo, and Botticelli's The Birth of Venus, as well as The Piazza della Signoria, and the Ponte Vecchio Bridge
- Tour the Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral and the famed domed cap known as the Duomo, for a gorgeous view of the city
- Participate in a leather-making demonstration at an artisan leather workshop
- Enjoy a traditional Italian dinner together at a classic Florentine restaurant

Day 6 - Tue. April 7: (Florence)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Visit Accademia, admire Michelangelo's statue of David inside Florence's acclaimed Accademia Gallery
- Visit a local university; attend a guest lecture and engage in academic/cultural exchange with Italian students
- (Time permitting) free time to explore Florence

Day 7 - Wed. April 8: (Florence)

- Breakfast at the hotel, then check-out
- Enjoy a free morning to discover more of Florence on your own, with the option to visit many of the city's museums and other beautiful sites
- Depart from Florence for Rome
- Check into hotel in Rome
- (Time permitting) free time to explore Rome and finish souvenir shopping

Day 8 - Thurs. April 9: (Rome)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transportation by private bus to the airport in Rome
- Departure from Rome airport to the USA

