

Florence

SPRING 2014

Depart U.S.:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2014

Arrive Florence:

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2014

Depart Florence:

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 2014

Florence is an exciting place in which to live and study. On an afternoon stroll through the streets of Florence, which is set in the golden hills of Tuscany, you can admire the architecture of Giotto; linger at the Uffizi Gallery with its vast collection of painting and sculpture; view the magnificent Santa Croce where Galileo, Michelangelo and Machiavelli are buried and explore the bookshops near Via Cavours and visit one of the most popular spots in Florence, the Ponte Vecchio, a 14th century bridge spanning the River Arno.

INCLUDED

- Transportation package consisting of round-trip airfare and round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the housing in Florence but excluding mandatory U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges (estimated at \$600 and subject to change) for which students will be billed separately.
- Housing in fully furnished self-catering apartments located in the Historical Center of Florence. Typically four students will share a two-bedroom apartment.
- Orientation program in Florence consisting of an orientation meeting with AIFS staff including an information packet with comprehensive student handbook, local area information, a welcome reception and half-day guided sightseeing tour of Florence.
- Museum pass for the duration of the program giving unlimited free entry to the following museums: Uffizi, Bargello, Accademia, Palazzo Pitti, San Marco Museum, Boboli Gardens, Medici Chapel, Cenacolo di Sant'Andrea del Sarto, Giardino della Villa Medicea

di Castello, Villa Medicea di Poggio a Caiano and Villa Medicea della Patraia.

- Full-day guided excursion to Siena and San Gimignano including round-trip transportation by private bus and entrances.
- Weekly program of subsidized cultural activities such as cooking classes, wine tasting, concerts, opera, soccer matches and additional museum visits.
- Access to the computers at the wireless-enabled AIFS Study Center, plus wireless access in the apartments (where possible).
- Mandatory Italian Police registration fees.
- Farewell dinner.
- \$50 non-refundable application fee.
- Student medical and program fee refund insurance policies.

FEES

Based on an enrollment of 25–29 participants, the fee per person is \$6,990.

This fee excludes a \$250 refundable damage deposit; optional insurance upgrades; mandatory additional U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges on airfare; passport or visa fees; meals other than those listed; personal expenses; any Southwestern Community College District tuition or administrative fees; textbooks; additional field trips or excursions required by the Southwestern Community College District faculty and anything not specified.

Students also have the option of purchasing a package of 25 meal vouchers for use in selected restaurants and trattoria in Florence for either lunch or dinner for a fee of \$495.

These fees are guaranteed not to change as a result of fluctuations in the \$ exchange rate.

OPTIONAL ROME EXCURSION

An optional 3-day, 2-night excursion to Rome will be offered, including round-trip transportation, hotel accommodation with daily breakfast, guided tours of the Vatican Museums and Ancient Rome, and the services of an AIFS representative for the duration of the trip. The fee for the tour is \$545, based on a minimum of 15 participants.

**DEADLINE TO APPLY TO BE INCLUDED IN
THE GROUP FLIGHT IS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER
20, 2013**

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION, CONTACT:

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