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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

For the eighteenth year, the University of Alabama is sponsoring a summer term abroad in Italy. Join us for a month of study in Florence, the cradle of Italian Renaissance art and the birthplace of the Italian language. The Alabama in Italy Program welcomes participants seeking university credit from The University of Alabama and from other U.S. institutions as well. All participants must be enrolled in courses offered by the Alabama in Italy program.

Maximum number of participants: 20 students.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

All the Italian classes will be taught at CLIDA (Centro Linguistico Italiano Dante Alighieri). The Center, founded in 1966, is the oldest language school in Italy and is located in a beautiful nineteenth-century palazzo in the historical center of Florence. To maximize learning, classes are limited to a maximum of 12 students per class. The teaching staff is composed of highly qualified native Italian instructors.

ACCOMMODATIONS

CLIDA works together with a selection of quality host families chosen for their comfortable homes, friendly disposition, and excellent cuisine. Participants will have breakfast and dinner with their families.



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ORIENTATION

There will be informational meetings and two orientations; one orientation will be organized by the Alabama in Italy Program and one by Capstone International. UA students are required to attend both orientations. Before departure, each participant will receive an information letter with more details about travel preparation and about the stay in Italy.

COURSE OFFERINGS

All students enroll for six hours of credit. Students enrolling in IT 101 must also enroll in CRL 101 to achieve six hours. Likewise, students enrolling in IT 102 must also enroll in CRL 102. At intermediate and advanced levels, students enroll for two courses to achieve six hours of credit. Please contact the Director for details.

IT 101 *Introductory Italian I* (4 hours)

CRL 101 *Italian Abroad* (2 hours)

IT 102 *Introductory Italian II* (4 hours)

CRL 102 *Italian Abroad* (2 hours)

IT 201 *Intermediate Italian I* (3 hours)

IT 202 *Intermediate Italian II* (3 hours)

IT 353 *Italian Conversation* (3 hours)

IT 356 *Advanced Grammar* (3 hours)

IT 380 *Special Topics* (3 hours)

IT 480 *Special Topics* (3 hours)

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES**

An integral part of the Program at CLIDA are the extracurricular activities that allow students to participate in Italian life and culture.

Guided Visits:

Tours of the city of Florence are given in simple Italian so even beginners will understand. There are visits to the museums, churches, monuments and squares of one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

Cooking Class:

Students can learn the many simple secrets of sauces, pasta, soup, etc. The student, with the teacher's help, will prepare the dishes and enjoy the food at the end of the lesson.

TRIPS

On weekends, the school organizes daytrips (in private buses) in order to visit and explore the monuments, squares, streets and artistic beauty of important towns in Tuscany, such as Siena, S. Gimignano, Pisa and Lucca, as well as the splendor of the Chianti Countryside. Program costs include the following:

CHIANTI

We will visit the wonderful Chianti region in a private bus, and then we will have a light snack in a vineyard.

THE GARDENS OF VILLA GAMBERAIA IN SETTIGNANO

Settignano is an ancient village nestled in the hills near Florence where Michelangelo was raised as a child. We will take a stroll through the village and reach the beautiful gardens of Villa Gamberaia, a seventeenth century private villa with an exceptional panorama of Florence.

HOW TO APPLY

Students should complete and submit an Overseas Study Application Packet for consideration of acceptance into the overseas study program of your choice. Application packets can be downloaded from <http://studyabroad.ua.edu>.

Students will be notified of acceptance into the program via email. Capstone International will give students a "Permit to Join" form that must be taken to Student Receivables to make payment. Students are not considered a part of the program until payment has been made. Students must meet financial deadlines to remain in the program.

Application deadline is January 15, 2010 (or until capacity limit).

PROGRAM COST

Total cost of program: \$3,750.00

Payment Schedule

January 15, 2010	\$ 600.00
February 12, 2010	\$1,575.00
March 12, 2010	\$1,575.00

The Summarized Cost and Payment Information can be found online at <http://studyabroad.ua.edu>.

Airfare is not included. Given the current state of air travel, it would be wise to purchase a trip cancellation policy when you purchase your airline ticket.

If space remains available, late applications will be considered.

***The University of Alabama reserves the right to modify the program or its costs as necessitated by changes in the international economic situation or to cancel the program if necessary. ***

COST INCLUDES

- Welcome dinner
- Transportation from and to the Florence airport, if flying with the group
- Tuition, all textbooks and free internet access at CLIDA
- Room with a host family
- Breakfast/dinner with host family 7 days a week
- Florence bus pass
- Visit to Settignano (Villa Gamberaia Gardens)
- Chianti excursion
- Florence museum card, which covers all fees to all main museums of Florence
- International Student ID Card (ISIC) with International Student Insurance (see Quicklinks on studyabroad.ua.edu - click on International Student Insurance Card)
- CLIDA I.D. card (with discounts for local stores and restaurants)
- Farewell dinner
- "Where in the World is Big AL?" T-shirt



TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Please be aware that airfare is not included in the program cost. Students may choose to travel with the group or may elect to reach Florence on their own. Seats have been reserved for the Alabama in Italy-Language & Culture Program. Students wishing to fly with the group need to contact the Alabama in Italy Program Director ASAP. Estimated cost of the flight; \$1,400 (Round trip from Atlanta).

ARRIVAL

ARRIVAL IN FLORENCE (SATURDAY, MAY 29)

Upon arrival in Florence, participants will go directly to their host families, and will then reunite for a welcome dinner.

The first day of class is MONDAY, MAY 31st. Students traveling on their own need to arrive in Florence no later than May 30th. More details will be given at the informational meetings.



Florence, Italy



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