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WHY STUDY ABROAD IN FLORENCE

A city that challenges the concepts of past, present, and future: Florence, a European center of art, history, and culture, is the capital of the Italian region of Tuscany. Its geographic location allows easy access to every region of Italy; Florence has changed global and Western thought considering its revolutionary impact through the first banking systems, the widening of architectural and artistic perspectives during the Renaissance, and modern political science and philosophy. It is an excellent compass for navigating Italian culture through its linguistic importance, an ambassador of Italian regionality through its capital position in Tuscany, a site where many of Italy's important moments unfolded throughout time. Florence today, with its unique characteristics coupled with a primary position in international and Italian tourism, economy, and culture, is an intriguing example of how past, present, and future blend together in a stimulating expression of the European city. Students seeking to study abroad in Florence find themselves immersed in an environment where all areas of human experience and study offer continuous and multifold opportunities to learn and be profoundly changed by the life and activity taking place here.

*Ponte Vecchio,
Firenze*



STUDYING ABROAD AT FUA-AUF

Studying abroad at FUA-AUF is characterized by the institution's projects in cultural integration. The institution's position in the center of Florence places FUA-AUF in direct contact with the city's culture, movements, and events. Our mission is to offer a unique academic experience, as well as an active understanding, participation, and contribution to the city by students from all disciplines, personal backgrounds, and nationalities.

The benefits of studying abroad at FUA-AUF begin with the flexibility of the institution's academic sessions offered throughout the year.

An exceptionally broad and stimulating curriculum is available through diverse areas of studies and academic disciplines. In addition to academics, studying abroad with FUA-AUF features several experiential components such as educational field trips, getting involved in the local culture through community service and volunteer opportunities, as well as extracurricular activities organized by FUA-AUF's Student Life and Development Office whose dedicated staff assists students through every step of getting them to Florence, from admissions to academics and centrally located housing. FUA-AUF works with many affiliate partners worldwide for the direct acceptance of credits. For students from non-affiliated institutions, academic credit can be issued through FUA-AUF's School of Record.



WHEN TO STUDY ABROAD AT FUA-AUF

*Palazzo Bombicci Pontelli Guicciardini Strozzi,
FUA-AUF main campus entrance*

Studying abroad at FUA-AUF offers flexible options throughout the year. The following sessions are held at our campuses in Florence:

SEMESTER/YEAR

QUARTER PROGRAMS

INTENSIVE PROGRAMS

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Please note:

Academic calendars with study abroad dates can be consulted at the link <https://fua.it/Utility/academic-calendar-detail.html>.

Course selections may be subject to change depending on enrolment and availability.

The approval of credit loads must be pre-approved in any given academic session, students who wish to earn credits in addition to the regular load per session must receive approval from their home institution.



SEMESTER/YEAR

FALL/SPRING/SUMMER

15-Week Fall and Spring Semesters

Credit load: Up to 18 semester / 27 quarter credits (upon approval) Fall and Spring semesters run for 15 weeks from early September to mid December and late January to mid May. Regular 3-credit courses (4.5 quarter credits) are held 3 hours per week. Courses from the fall and spring intensive programs may also be added to a semester schedule.

16-Week Semester: A 1-week Field Learning course (3 semester / 4.5 quarter credits) may be added prior to the semester for a 16-week program. Cultural Introduction to Italy / Italian Family / Startup Ventures options available.

12-Week Summer Semester

Credit load: Up to 18 semester / 27 quarter credits (upon approval) The summer semester combines 3-week (Mon-Fri) and 6-week (Mon-Thurs) sessions over a 12-week period.

13-Week Semester: A 1-week Cultural Introduction to Italy or Farm to Table course may be added ONLY at the beginning of the summer semester Ventures options available.

QUARTER PROGRAMS

FALL/SPRING/SUMMER

The quarter term combines consecutive 3-week intensive sessions. 1-2 courses (3 to 6 semester or 4.5 to 9 quarter credits) are typically taken during each intensive session. Please note that fall/spring seasons feature an intersession week between intensive sessions (i.e. the combination of two intensive sessions can last 7 or 8 weeks) while in the summer intensive sessions run back-to-back. A weeklong field learning course prior to the program can be combined with quarters at the beginning of the fall/spring seasons or with any summer program start. Classes are held daily.

INTENSIVE PROGRAMS

3-WEEK SESSIONS FALL/SPRING/SUMMER

Intensive programs are offered year-round. Students can opt to take one 3-week intensive program or combine sessions. *Summer Sessions are also offered on a 1, 4, and 6-week basis. Please consult the summer sessions for information on how they can be combined.*

AUG/JAN INTERSESSION

Credit load: up to 6 semester / 9 quarter credits (upon approval)
These intersessions are offered for 3 weeks in the month of January or August. Regular 3-credit classes (4.5 quarter credits) are held Monday through Friday.
4-Week Aug/Jan Session: Students may register for a 4-week program that concludes with a weeklong Field Learning session.

SESSIONS I-II-III-IV (FALL, SPRING, SUMMER)

Credit load: up to 6 semester / 9 quarter credits (upon approval)
These 3-week sessions take place after the August and January Intersessions in the fall and spring, and throughout the summer season. Regular 3-credit classes (4.5 quarter credits) are held Monday through Friday.

ADDITIONAL SUMMER SESSIONS

1-WEEK SESSIONS

CULTURAL INTRODUCTION TO ITALY

Credit load: 3 semester / 4.5 quarter credits
Classes are held Sunday through Sunday.
Offered 4 times in the summer and may be added at the beginning of 6-week sessions or the 12-week summer semester. The week also may be added at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters.
These sessions are comprised of field learning and travel research in Tuscany, students learn on location in destinations unique for their local cultures, economies, histories, and societies. Lectures, visits to historic and contemporary sites, tastes of local gastronomy, expanded cultural horizons, and contact with local culture will directly strengthen and challenge perspectives of Italy.

4-WEEK SESSIONS

Credit load: up to 9 semester / 13.5 quarter credits (upon approval)
Classes are held Monday through Friday.
Students begin this session with the 1-week Cultural Introduction to Italy field learning week and continue with a regular 3-week session in Florence.

6-WEEK SESSIONS

Credit load: up to 12 semester / 18 quarter credits (upon approval)
Classes are held Monday through Thursday.
Students select 6-week courses, 3-week courses, or combine classes from both. A 1-week Cultural Introduction to Italy session may be added at the beginning of the 6-week session.

FIELD LEARNING & STUDY AWAY PROGRAMS

FIELD LEARNING & FLORENCE PROGRAMS

The following for-credit field learning experiences are held in off-campus locations and can be combined with academic sessions in Florence.

Credit load options:

- *3 semester / 4.5 quarter credits: 1 week of Field Learning*
- *3 semester / 4.5 quarter credits: Course held entirely on campus during academic session in Florence*
- *6 semester / 9 quarter credits: 1 week of Field Learning followed by the course topic on campus in Florence.*

CULTURAL INTRODUCTION TO ITALY

1-WEEK SESSION (SUMMER C-D-E-F, FALL/SPRING INTERSESSION WEEK I)

Rome, Tuscan coast, and Cinque Terre in the fall; Rome, Oriveto, and Perugia in the spring.

THE ITALIAN FOOD INDUSTRY: FROM FARM TO TABLE

1-WEEK SESSION (SUMMER C)

Italian farm experience in Tuscany, focus on food systems and practices from an Italian perspective.

MULTICULTURALISM, FOOD, AND RELIGIONS IN THE ITALIAN-FRENCH RIVIERA

1-WEEK SESSION (SUMMER D)

A multicultural exploration of food, religion, and society along the Italian-French Riviera and relevant coastal areas.

CULTURAL INTRODUCTION TO THE ITALIAN FAMILY

1-WEEK SESSION (SUMMER E)

Hosted by Italian families. Please that the Florence-only option is also offered as a service learning course for 4 semester / 6 quarter credits in the fall and spring semesters.

STARTUP VENTURES AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

1-WEEK SESSION (SUMMER F)

A unique opportunity to get involved in startup and entrepreneurial initiatives in Florence.

The following program combines a 3-week academic session in Florence and a weeklong field learning course in NYC:

TUTTOTOSCANA FLORENCE TO NYC 1 AND 4-WEEK PROGRAM (FALL/SPRING SESSION II & INTERSESSION W3)

Credit load options: 3, 6, or 9 semester / 4.5, 9, or 13.5 quarter credit options available (upon approval)

4-week program: 3 weeks of coursework in Florence and 1 week of events in NYC. Coursework involves the preparation and management of real life events to be hosted in prestigious locations such as the James Beard Foundation in NYC.

1-week program: Offered as the 3-credit (4.5 quarter credits) option taking place entirely during the NYC event week.

Areas of Study:

- AREA 1: EVENT PLANNING AND COMMUNICATIONS
- AREA 2: DIGITAL MEDIA AND VISUAL ARTS / FASHION*
- AREA 3: FOOD MANAGEMENT AND PRODUCTION FOR SPECIAL EVENTS
- *VISUAL ARTS FALL / FASHION SPRING

STUDY AWAY PROGRAMS

Can be combined with sessions at the FUA-AUF campus in Florence, please consult the academic calendar to view which sessions align with field learning courses.

TABLE AND WINE GRAPES OF ITALY - FALL HARVEST (STUDY AWAY)

1-WEEK SESSION (Fall Intersession Week II)

Hands-on grape harvest experience held at an Italian winery.

CULINARY COMPETITIONS: TRAINING AND PRACTICE (STUDY AWAY)

1-WEEK SESSION (SPRING)

1-week option: 3 semester / 4.5 quarter credits.

Weeklong course concluding with participation in competition for professionals. Open only to advanced-level students, candidacy subject to faculty approval for the selection process.

ITALIAN CIVILIZATION AND CULTURE: SOCIETY AND LIFESTYLE

3-WEEK SUMMER SESSION II

Credit load: 6 semester / 9 quarter credits

This field learning course engages students in Italian civilization and culture through direct experience. Each week of the program features coursework on-site by beginning in Northern Italy, transitioning to Southern Italy during the second week, and concluding in Central Italy for the third and final week.

SURVEY OF ITALIAN ART

FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS

Credit load: 3 or 6 semester / 4.5 or 9 quarter credits

This semester-long field learning course provides a comprehensive survey of Italian art. Coursework is held as weekend field learning hours in distinct Italian locations that represent the major historic movements covered by the course. Students are directly engaged and immersed in the art and architectural history contexts and topics of study.

For session dates please consult the links
fua.it/Utility/academic-calendar-detail.html

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

YEAR-ROUND

FUA-AUF offers several opportunities to integrate experiential learning and professionalizing experiences to the course of study in Florence. Program offerings are offered on both a for-credit and non-credit basis:

Experiential Learning Course

Students receive academic instruction following the instructor's guidance and expertise.

Special Project Experiential Learning (SPEL)

Students learn by doing and observing the assigned tasks while receiving academic supervision. Placements are assigned within FUA-AUF CEMI and actively engage students within the local community and culture.

Internship

Students actively assist professionals in fulfilling daily tasks. Students do not receive traditional classroom instruction but learn by performing tasks. Placements are assigned according to approved companies and organizations external to FUA-AUF. Some prerequisites may apply.

Community Service and Volunteer Projects

These experiences may be integrated to academic coursework or non-credit Learn and Serve courses.

Please note:

- The minimum length required for a credit-bearing placement is 3 weeks for SPEL and 6 weeks for internships. (Maximum 12 weeks for both programs)
- Non-credit internships must be a minimum of 6 weeks and require a mandatory 3-week Italian language session at the program start. For SPEL placements, the minimum length is 3 weeks. Both placement types allow for a maximum of 20 contact hours per week. Students can select the number of additional weeks for the program length.
- Learn and Serve experiences can be taken on a non-credit basis. Community outreach is offered by the Student Life and Development Department of FUA-AUF as an extracurricular activity.



View of Giotto's Campanile
Florence



WHO WE ARE

FUA-AUF ACCREDITATION

Florence University of the Arts - The American University of Florence is an Italian Institute of Higher Education accredited (Accreditation nu. OF0110 - DGR1407/16 e ss.mm.ii and authorized by the Region of Tuscany to conduct approved formative educational courses (Art. 117 of the Italian Constitution assigns to the Italian Regions the competence regarding formative education). FUA-AUF is reviewed yearly for European quality certification:

Certified by IMQ S.p.A. - ISO 9001:2008 Cert. N. 9175.FLRU

INSTITUTIONAL ORGANIZATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL STYLE

Given the range of academic study, FUA-AUF is organized since its inception along the lines of a US-style higher education institution with instruction in the English language, processes, and structure comprised of multiple colleges or schools of study as typically implemented in the United States.

MISSION

Enriching Students through Cultural Integration, Community Engagement, and Experiential Learning

FUA-AUF was founded to:

Promote and renew creative disciplines in a city renowned for its history-changing innovations. Offer challenging academic programs that shape inquisitive minds capable of:

- Approaching academic disciplines with the mindset to deeply understand the principles of the past and how they are present in today's context.
- Transforming learning, knowledge and cultural experiences into instruments that shape tomorrow's future.
- Contributing to the local culture with the findings, research, and creations developed over the course of study.

Provide excellent professional and academic facilities at each campus, which not only offer learning spaces but also enhance and inspire learning potential.

Go beyond classroom learning by promoting student interaction with the convergence of the multicultural societies and creative presences in the city of Florence.

This is accomplished through the presence of Palazzi Community Engagement Member Institutions (CEMI) whose facilities and services are open to the public.



VISION

American-style, community-oriented education in Florence that transcends disciplines and cultural traditions.

FUA-AUF is a multidisciplinary institution that seeks to offer dynamic possibilities of study through a rich selection of academic institutions and departments.

FUA-AUF unites communities, nationalities, compelling projects, and studies capable of shaping the cultural landscape of Florence.

FUA-AUF encourages students to be challenged by both classroom and service learning for civic engagement, and to challenge the weight of Florence's glorious heritage in order to contribute to its future with a fresh mind and open eyes.

FUA-AUF strives to provide its students with an experience that goes beyond the Renaissance façade of Florence by communicating to them that who we are and what they experience go beyond cultural stereotypes.

FUA-AUF believes that through critical analysis and evaluation of own cultural norms and values in relation to those held by others, FUA-AUF program graduates will develop a profound cross-cultural, global perspective.

VALUES

A rich, stimulating course offering taught by an international faculty, spanning all areas of the institutions grouped under FUA-AUF and their specific departments and courses.

An academic structure based on lectures, workshops, seminars, and laboratories that promote student learning and creation. Quality, state of the art facilities located in historic palaces throughout the Florence city center.

Opportunities for student exposure and interaction with the local culture through civic engagement and service learning on both academic and extracurricular levels and cultural integration projects including the on-going involvement available through Palazzi CEMI.

*Salone dei Cinquecento,
Palazzo Vecchio - Firenze*

AREAS OF STUDY AT FUA-AUF

The following academic divisions are offered at FUA-AUF. Students seeking study abroad experiences have access to the rich curriculum of all schools and departments at FUA-AUF. For details on academic policies, programs, and descriptions for all academic departments and courses, please consult the latest version of the Academic Catalog.

APICIUS

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY

SCHOOL OF FOOD AND WINE STUDIES

- BAKING AND PASTRY
- CULINARY ARTS
- DIETETICS AND NUTRITION
- FOOD AND CULTURE
- FOOD, FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES
- WINE AND CULTURE
- WINE EXPERTISE

SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY

- HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM
- RESTAURANT FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANAGEMENT
- HOTEL AND LODGING MANAGEMENT
- SPA MANAGEMENT

SCHOOL OF SPORTS AND HEALTH SCIENCES

- PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND PHYSICAL THERAPY
- SPORT SCIENCES

DIVA

SCHOOL OF DIGITAL IMAGING & VISUAL ARTS

- DIGITAL MEDIA
- INTERNET TECHNOLOGY
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- VIDEO PRODUCTION
- VISUAL COMMUNICATION

FAST

SCHOOL OF FASHION & ACCESSORY STUDIES & TECHNOLOGY

- ACCESSORY DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY
- FASHION COMMUNICATION AND PUBLISHING
- FASHION DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY
- FASHION MERCHANDISING

IDEAS

SCHOOL OF INTERIOR DESIGN, ENVIRONMENTAL ARCHITECTURE & SUSTAINABILITY

- ARCHITECTURAL RESTORATION AND HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE
- ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES
- INTERIOR AND VISUAL DESIGN
- PRODUCT AND LUXURY DESIGN
- SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

ISB

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE
- ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND MEDIA
- DECISION SCIENCES
- ECONOMICS
- ENTREPRENEURSHIP RESOURCES
- MANAGEMENT
- MARKETING
- REAL ESTATE

J SCHOOL

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, COMMUNICATION AND PUBLISHING

CONVERGENCE MEDIA AND BROADCASTING
CREATIVE ADVERTISING
FOOD COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLISHING
JOURNALISM
MASS COMMUNICATION
PUBLISHING

SAS

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS

ART EDUCATION
CERAMICS
FILM PHOTOGRAPHY
MIXED MEDIA
PAINTING AND DRAWING
PRINTMAKING
SCULPTURE

SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

ANTHROPOLOGY
HAPPINESS SCIENCES
MULTICULTURAL DIVERSITY AND GENDER STUDIES
PEACE STUDIES
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
URBAN STUDIES

SCHOOL OF HORTICULTURE

GENERAL HORTICULTURE

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS

ART HISTORY
CINEMA AND THEATRE STUDIES
CLASSICAL STUDIES
COMPARATIVE LITERATURE
CRIMINOLOGY
ENGLISH COMPOSITION AND CREATIVE WRITING
GEOGRAPHY
HISTORY
INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS
PHILOSOPHY
POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
PSYCHOLOGY
RELIGIOUS STUDIES

SCHOOL OF LIFE STUDIES AND HUMAN SCIENCES

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
HEALTH HUMANITIES
SOCIOLOGY

SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

COMMUNITY SERVICE
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING
FIELD LEARNING
INTERNSHIP
PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT

SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

BIOLOGY
CHEMISTRY
MATHEMATICS
PHYSICS

SQUOLA

CENTER FOR CULTURAL AND ITALIAN STUDIES

SCHOOL OF ITALIAN STUDIES AND LINGUISTICS

ITALIAN LANGUAGE
ITALIAN LITERATURE
ITALIAN CULTURAL STUDIES

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

GRADUATE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING
GRADUATE TOPICS IN FOOD AND WINE STUDIES
GRADUATE TOPICS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

*View of Ponte Vecchio
from the Arnolfo Tower,
Firenze*

CEMI COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEMBER INSTITUTION

FUA-AUF offers students learning opportunities to get involved in the community through Fondazione di Partecipazione Palazzi Florence Association for International Education. FUA-AUF promotes experiential learning through its projects of cultural integration which connect classroom learning and academic content with the city of Florence, its community, and its environments.







APICIUS CEMI

DIMORA

GUEST APARTMENTS CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS DIMORA?

Dimora is operated by the students and faculty of Apicius International School of Hospitality. Dimora embodies the philosophy of FUA-AUF of going beyond the classroom and integrating students in the city of Florence through experiential learning. Students at the Apicius are involved in the daily operations of Dimora as part of their academic coursework, which are managed by Apicius faculty. Students learn how to run a business in the hospitality industry as well as the basic skills of customer care in a professional environment.

Located in the Palazzo dell'Ospitalità (FUA-AUF Hospitality building) right next to the Duomo, Dimora is fully equipped with ensuite rooms that pay homage to three inspiring Florentine women: Simonetta Cattaneo Vespucci, Lucrezia Buti, and Anna Maria Luisa Medici. Guests are invited to reside at Dimora for a memorable visit, and to enrich the academic experiences of Apicius students.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

Dimora is one of the pillars of Apicius academic activities and mission. Apicius reinterprets the concept of hospitality and tourism in the international destination of Florence, and firmly believes in the importance of a cultural approach to hospitality. Dimora welcomes not only hospitality students, but also real estate ones, as well as any semester student that might seize the opportunity of joining the experiential learning program in a business. This space allows students to grasp issues of property management, booking operations, facility management, sales strategies, and customer care services.

GET INVOLVED IN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING!

Anyone who seeks a professionalizing experience can get involved as well. Through enrollment in Learn and Serve courses, team members may assist with the areas of operations and management. Learn and Serve is fully taught, supervised, and coordinated by instructors and offers the unique experience of professional integration and development for all individuals. Courses may be taken on a credit or non-credit basis.

dimoraflorence.it



FEDORA

PASTRY SHOP CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS FEDORA?

Fedora is the pastry shop operated by the students of the Baking and Pastry Department at Apicius International School of Hospitality. Located at the via Ricasoli location along with Apicius School of Food and Wine Studies, the pastry shop is a learning lab with daily hours of operation. The selection of featured products is decided and prepared by the students under the supervision of Apicius faculty.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

Students learn in a professional environment and are involved in all operations in baking and pastry production – ingredient selection and orders, food cost, European HACCP standards of hygiene control, product packaging, customer service and communications, front and back of the house operations. The faculty members are professional pastry chefs coming from 5-star hotels, Michelin-starred restaurants, and culinary award winners. Fedora facilities include classroom/lab spaces for learning and are equipped to offer professionally prepared baked goods and pastries of the highest quality.

FUA-AUF UNITS FOR MEAL PLANS

Students, staff, and faculty may purchase meal plans that can be used daily at Fedora during service hours.

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fedoraflorence.it



GANZO

RESTAURANT CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS GANZO?

Ganzo is the creative learning lab of Apicius International School of Hospitality. It is a project meant to promote integration in Florence, and to encourage and facilitate the communication between students and the city.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

Apicius School of Food and Wine Studies and School of Hospitality students and faculty oversee the daily operations of Ganzo. Principles and practical applications of front/back of the house management, professional restaurant preparation, professional beverage management, and customer relations are practiced through internships integrated into the academic program of study.

FUA-AUF UNITS FOR MEAL PLANS

Students, staff, and faculty may purchase Ganzo meal plans that can be used everyday during service hours.

GET INVOLVED IN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING!

Anyone who seeks a professionalizing experience can get involved as well. Through enrollment in Learn and Serve courses, team members may assist with the areas of operations and management. Learn and Serve is fully taught, supervised, and coordinated by instructors and offers the unique experience of professional integration and development for all individuals. Courses may be taken on a credit or non-credit basis.

GANZO EVENTS

Ganzo regularly showcases events featuring Italian cuisine, art, and culture. Every Wednesday Ganzo offers an aperitivo-style social event to interact with the community, faculty, and students. Certain Wednesdays transform into AperiArt art show openings of local and international artists. Certain Thursdays feature themed multi-course dinners. Literary and cultural encounters take place throughout the year.

Please check the Ganzo calendar for dates and further information:

ganzoflorence.it



SORGIVA

SPA CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS SORGIVA?

Sorgiva is the wellness learning lab operated by the students and faculty of Apicius International School of Hospitality. Sorgiva embodies the philosophy of FUA-AUF of going beyond the classroom and integrating students in the Florence community through experiential learning. All of the projects and activities of Sorgiva are managed by the Fondazione di Partecipazione Palazzi - Florence Association for International Education, affiliated with FUA-AUF. Sorgiva represents the bridge between the FUA-AUF student body and the multicultural community of Florence.

The spa, located at the Palazzo dell'Ospitalità near the Duomo, is a creating learning lab that offers students the opportunity to manage and operate a successful spa. Students managing the spa gain invaluable professional learning experience while providing memorable experiences for customers.

Sorgiva offers several spa therapies and beauty treatments including manicures, pedicures, and massages, combined with essential oils and natural ingredients to ensure a unique experience. The wellness center is designed to offer both hydrotherapy and treatments, it also features a hammam and a sauna.

FUA-AUF UNITS FOR WELLNESS TREATMENTS

Students, staff, and faculty may use FUA-AUF units at Sorgiva during service hours.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

Sorgiva is one of the pillars of Apicius academic activities and mission. Apicius reinterprets the concept of hospitality and tourism in the international destination of Florence, and firmly believes in the importance of a cultural approach to hospitality. Sorgiva is the heart of the spa management department and provides students with a professional and academic environment in which they can gain expertise in the areas of hospitality and wellness.

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sorgivaflorence.it



DIVA & IDEAS CEMI

CORRIDOIO FIORENTINO

PHOTOGRAPHY & DESIGN GALLERY
CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS CORRIDOIO FIORENTINO?

Corridoio Fiorentino is the photographic gallery located at the DIVA/IDEAS campus that features the works of external photographers, designers, as well as DIVA/IDEAS students and faculty.

Corridoio Fiorentino is a mirror through which Florentine artists, students, and faculty reflect their perception of the visual and digital arts and share it with the city of Florence.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

Group and solo exhibits are meant to communicate a contemporary vision of digital arts and involve the community with the DIVA/IDEAS mission of interpreting and teaching arts through interactive digital media.

Corridoio Fiorentino provides a physical venue and online presence for current and past exhibits created by established and emerging photographic artists through the assistance of FUA-AUF.

Corridoio Fiorentino is to serve students, faculty and professional artists in the field of digital imaging by preserving, collecting, exhibiting, and fostering the understanding of works of art, at the highest possible scholarly standards.

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corridoiofiorentino.it



FAST CEMI

FLY | FASHION LOVES YOU

VINTAGE, CONSIGNMENT & EMERGING DESIGNERS STORE
CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS FLY | FASHION LOVES YOU?

FLY | Fashion Loves You is the retail store operated by FAST Fashion and Accessory Studies and Technology, featuring designer vintage, local emerging designers, and student designs. FLY is located in a sleek space at the FAST Palazzo della Giostra campus in Borgo Pinti along with the fashion department facilities. It is a link of creative expression and exchange between the city and the classroom, between our students and the local community. FLY is a non-profit store. All proceeds are collected in scholarship funds for Career Programs in Fashion or Accessory Design.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

FLY is the heart of FAST and its academic activities and mission. FAST seeks to re-polish Florence's past and present importance in Italian fashion as well as to bring back the handcrafted "lost arts" – straw, leather, and knit products – of the city's local fashion economy. This space allows for students to grasp issues of fashion marketing, targets, store management, sales strategies in addition to fashion design. Experiential learning

opportunities based on store retail and management as well as design are held at FLY in order to foster student involvement in a professional environment and interaction with the local community. This is a place where students' fashion aspirations came true by offering to the public what they create.

GET INVOLVED IN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING!

Anyone who seeks a professionalizing experience can get involved as well. Through enrollment in Learn and Serve courses, team members may assist with the areas of operations and management. Learn and Serve is fully taught, supervised, and coordinated by instructors and offers the unique experience of professional integration and development for all individuals. Courses may be

fly.fashionlovesyou.it



ISB CEMI

ENTREPRELEARN LAB

STARTUP HUB CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS THE ENTREPRELEARN LAB?

The EntrepreLearn Lab is a business and entrepreneurial lab operated by the students and faculty of the International School of Business at FUA-AUF. It fulfills FUA-AUF's commitment to experiential learning by creating diverse forms of collaboration between the academic community and local economy. All of the projects and activities of the EntrepreLearn Lab are managed by the Fondazione di Partecipazione Palazzi - Florence Association for International Education, affiliated with FUA-AUF. The EntrepreLearn Lab serves as a bridge to Florentine, Tuscan, and Italian entrepreneurship through active partnerships with business entities.

Activities featured at the EntrepreLearn Lab include business incubator projects, co-working spaces, workshops, and seminars led by local entrepreneurs,

as well as research projects conducted for and with companies. The lab facilities represent a multi-functional, interdisciplinary, and versatile approach to involving students in Italian entrepreneurship. The Lab is proudly partnered with Confindustria, the City of Florence, Nana Bianca, the Region of Tuscany, and the Scuola di Scienze Aziendali.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

Student involvement is a fundamental objective of FUA-AUF CEMI, and the EntrepreLearn Lab actively engages the ISB student body in the local business community. Whether through research projects or incubator activities in collaboration with startup and established companies, the exchange of ideas between international students and professional entities lies at the core of the EntrepreLearn Lab's scope and goals.

Francesco Cavallini,
Vice-president of Italian design
house Emilio Cavallini



J SCHOOL CEMI

INGORDA

UNIVERSITY PRESS CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS INGORDA?

Ingorda Editore was established in 2008 with the primary objective of providing a viable publishing counterpart to FUA-AUF's academic vision. Ingorda's purpose is directly related to the meaning of its name. "Voracious" or "greedy," the word "Ingorda" refers not only to food but to all areas of life, culture, and knowledge. Coincidentally, the first series of Ingorda books were cookbooks and food/wine guides, produced for Apicius International School of Hospitality and characterized by the discovery of true Florentine taste. Expansion in the areas of travel guides, books on art, and textbooks have added new dimensions to Ingorda publishing services that will continue to grow with innovative ideas, concepts, and initiatives.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

FUA-AUF's *BLENDING* newsletter and magazine (periodical publications) are created on a semesterly and monthly basis and are produced in collaboration with the students and faculty of FUA-AUF. Collaboration is regularly conducted with local Tuscan or Italian publications. Online media tools such as the cityblog *Finding Florence – blog.fua.it* and the foodblog

CiboChat – blog.apicius.it are also sustained by the J School. Ingorda projects often collaborate with those of FUA-AUF's Communications & Marketing Office for digital publishing initiatives.

GET INVOLVED IN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING!

Anyone who seeks a professionalizing experience can get involved as well. Through enrollment in Learn and Serve courses, team members may assist with the areas of operations and management. Learn and Serve is fully taught, supervised, and coordinated by instructors and offers the unique experience of professional integration and development for all individuals. Courses may be taken on a credit or non-credit basis.

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SQUOLA CEMI

CCIS | CENTER FOR CULTURAL AND ITALIAN STUDIES

CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS CCIS?

sQuola's Center for Cultural and Italian Studies (CCIS) offers a rich program of cultural events and activities throughout the year for both students and the general public.

Every fall, FUA-AUF and SUNY Stony Brook host a themed multidisciplinary conference in collaboration with CCIS. Past themes have included Futurism, topics concerning the Mediterranean, and important Florentine figures such as Galileo and Da Vinci. Conference speakers represent a body of academic researchers and professionals from international backgrounds and areas of expertise.

CCIS collaborates with the Student Life & Development Department (SLD) for several extracurricular activities that involve students within the Italian community. The Connecting Cultures series offers Chat Pal language exchange opportunities, the Italian Family Club experience, and Community Outreach volunteer opportunities through (for descriptions please see the SLD section).

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

The CCIS network in the Italian community offers a wealth of involvement for students involved in academic courses. Examples include exploring Florence through the perspectives of Italian culture and literature, collaborating with community gardens, and service learning with local schools and organizations.

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The Ludoteca at CCIS is located within the sQuola campus facilities and serves as an interactive Italian language lab for FUA-AUF students

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SAS CEMI

F_AIR | FLORENCE ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

ART GALLERY CREATIVE LEARNING LAB

WHAT IS F_AIR FLORENCE ARTIST IN RESIDENCE ART GALLERY?

F_AIR is at the forefront of the contemporary art system and invites artists to reside within the school premises either for a semester or for the three months of summer sessions. During their stay, artists will learn to interpret the city and its surroundings through the expressive means of their art. They will exchange ideas with students, with fellow artists in town, and with professionals within the art world. They will work both as artists and academic professors and by the end of their stay they will present their project at a solo exhibition. The art gallery at F_AIR is the innovative space and concept for contemporary art in Florence. Creativity and enthusiasm are its genius loci, as the location was formerly a theater for musicals and comedies. F_AIR and the FUA-AUF School of Fine Arts seek to keep alive the spirit of the place, and its present appearance is designed to renew its special atmosphere.

STUDENT ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

The gallery is to serve students, faculty, and professional artists in the field of visual arts by preserving, collecting, exhibiting, and fostering the understanding of works of art with the high scholarly standards.

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WHAT TO EXPECT

STUDENT LIFE & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

SLD has the mission of offering opportunities for personal and interpersonal enrichment whether on campus or in the Florentine community. The department is dedicated to all areas of student life by providing numerous resources, extracurricular activities, and overall support for the duration of study in Florence.

Students may reach out to SLD for:

- General health and medical services, medical referrals, and emergency assistance.
- Housing assistance and emergencies.
- Extracurricular activities, see following pages for descriptions.
- Counseling and information on life in Florence.



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

SLD offers a rich and varied calendar of activities, in order to offer an array of experiences that will suit the diverse needs and interests of our student body.

ORIENTATION ACTIVITIES

SLD offers a series of activities during orientation in order to make the transition to life in Florence as easy as possible, such as the Know Your Neighborhood walks and Living in Florence seminars. The neighborhood walks help students to feel at home in Florence and also cover shopping for basic necessities, malls, supermarkets, and other stores in the city center. The Living in Florence Seminars presents topics such as ways to explore the city, leisure-time activities and, how to adapt to life in Italy.

CONNECTING CULTURES

Connecting Cultures is designed to both enhance cultural awareness and to guide students through the study abroad experience in order to maximize their educational outcome and personal growth during their time in Florence.

Connecting Cultures: Community Outreach

This program is designed for students who wish to step outside of the box during their studies abroad. More than a classroom experience, Community Outreach is a life experience that will not only enrich your academic career, but even more, will contribute to your emotional growth and cultural consciousness. The program offers a wide variety of volunteer opportunities to suit different interests: organizations range from local museums, canteens, and churches of various denominations, to International NGOs. Each of our partner associations is unique and volunteers are often the fundamental element that keeps these associations in operation! Most of the organizations do not require particular skills or the ability to speak Italian, but they all require a serious commitment from volunteers in order to accomplish their goals. Please note: Placement areas of volunteer opportunities may take place at the Palazzi Foundation Community Engagement Member Institutions, which are actively linked to FUA-AUF's campuses and academic divisions.

Connecting Cultures: Chat Pal

This language exchange activity connects Italian and foreign students in order to make a meaningful connection with a member of the community, and also improve your language skills. The conversation exchange program requires conversation partners to meet at least once a week (one hour). Partners should speak in Italian for 30 minutes and 30 minutes in the student's mother tongue. Specific time and locations are arranged between the partners.

Connecting Cultures: Italian Family Club

This unique program gives students a more in-depth, hands-on opportunity to get personally involved with an "adoptive" Florentine family. They will get an up-close view of a typical Italian family. Through the Italian Family Club, students will closely interact with their family members, while discovering and observing their unique habits and customs.

Students and families will be "matched" according to the characteristics and requirements of both parties. They will build a two-way relationship and communication skills that will develop over the semester through mutual and productive exchanges. Please note that the number of host families is limited, therefore, not all applicants will be accepted in the program.

Connecting Cultures: City Walks

City Walks are designed to broaden students' experience from the cultural point of view through art and history, while exploring the amazing gardens and palaces of Florence. Students will see how Italy's rich past influences and interacts with Italy today while also exploring new neighborhoods within and outside of the city center.

SPORTS NIGHT

Sports Night is a great way to keep in shape while expanding your knowledge of Italian fitness culture. Soccer is the mainstay of Italian athletics and the focus of our Sports Night. Even if you are not an athlete, everyone is welcome, to both have fun on the field, or just cheer on your classmates from the stands. La Palestra, the workout room located on campus, offers an exercise facility and free classes throughout the year.

MUSING CLUB

The Musing Club offers music lovers and musicians the chance to share their passion through a common language. Organized activities include music events, and visits, along with the possibility to include creating a band (or two!), playing a gig in a local venue, creating a demo in a professional recording studio, through the exploration of the participants' talents and imagination.

BLENDING

BLENDING is a journalistic collaboration that offers students the opportunity to express ideas through investigative and creative writing and photography. Writers, photographers, copy editors, and graphic designers who are excited about publishing their experiences and perspectives gained in Florence, as well as novice writers that just looking for a format to document their experience in Florence are all welcome. Each semester we publish three newsletters and one magazine written by FUA-AUF students, alumni, and faculty. Summer editions include two newsletters.

EFL

EFL is the department of Educational Field Learning offering to all FUA-AUF students unique opportunities to make significant contact with Italian culture, gastronomy, history, and landscapes through day and weekend trips.



GANZO/FEDORA MEAL PLANS SORGIVA SPA SERVICES

Ganzo, Fedora, and Sorgiva, the Apicius CEMI, have been created in order for students to interact with the community. They are cultural entities managed by students and faculty through academic courses, and have the aim of fostering community engagement and interaction.

WHAT DO MY UNITS COVER?

Partial meal plan of 5-unit per week of residency. Students may use units as meal plans at Ganzo and Fedora or at Sorgiva for spa treatments during their operating hours. Extra units can be purchased during all sessions. Students in non-FUA-AUF housing may purchase FUA-AUF units at any time.

AFTERNOON MEALS AND SNACKS AT GANZO

Can't make it to lunch or dinner service? Students can dine at Ganzo in the afternoon as well. Hearty sandwiches and salads, desserts, and beverages such as coffee and tea are served in the hours between lunch and dinner.

WHAT ELSE DO UNITS COVER?

Units can be used for special dining events at Ganzo, see event calendar for details..

HOUSING IN FLORENCE

FUA-AUF is pleased to assist with the housing arrangement process for students. We do not own or lease apartments but work as a facilitator to assist students in finding accommodation during their stay in Florence. Students choosing to secure housing independently must notify the Admissions Office. Housing options that we arrange for incoming students are:

- Shared Apartment Housing
- Homestay: La Famiglia Italiana

Please inquire for detailed information on housing.

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TUITION BENEFITS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Tuition Benefits for US Veterans, Department of Veterans Affairs. Search "Apicius" at:

benefits.va.gov/gibill/school_locator.asp

Career Program assistance has been approved for US students seeking financial aid. For Career Program students not currently attending a US university or college, and who are seeking financial aid through a third party, financial aid certification can be provided through our School of Record.

EUROPE

Students from the European Union who are enrolling individually at FUA-AUF may apply for a tuition reduction.

SENIOR STUDY ABROAD

Adult learners over the age of 50 who are enrolling individually at FUA-AUF may apply for a tuition reduction. (study abroad programs only).



SCHOLARSHIPS

FUA-AUF STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS

FUA-AUF offers several scholarships in specific study disciplines throughout the year. Our scholarships are an important expression of the mission to provide a dynamic and challenging approach to education abroad - through scholarships, we can share the mission with gifted students seeking financial support to study in Florence.

OFFERED IN FALL SEMESTERS

Leopoldo Poli FAST Accessory Design Scholarship

Elisabetta Eschini sQuola Scholarship for Italian Studies

Madge Hubbard Scholarship for International Studies

OFFERED IN FALL/SPRING

Cody Durbin Scholarship

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All scholarships require specific deadlines and criteria to fulfill for application. Scholarship winners may have specific requirements to maintain scholarship status throughout the duration of the academic program by scholarship funds

Scholarships for longer-term FUA-AUF programs and scholarships opportunities awarded by entities external to FUA-AUF may be consulted at:

fua.it/Admissions/scholarships.html

*Duomo view from
Palazzo Ramirez De Montalvo,
Firenze*

HOW TO ENROLL

STEP 1

Download the application form from www.fua.it under Admissions.

STEP 2

Consult the online schedule of courses available according to academic sessions. Applications are considered on a rolling basis, meaning we accept applications on a continuous basis; the first to arrive will be the first to be enrolled in the classes. Keep in mind that classes are small and space is limited. Please do not omit the alternative course section of the application form. Students applying for classes with prerequisites must submit an official transcript and CV.

STEP 3

Fill out the application form. You will specify your personal information, session and course selection, tuition payment and housing preferences. The application form can be sent via email to admissions@fua.it or postal service:

**Florence University of the Arts -
The American University of Florence**

Attn: Admissions Office

Corso Tintori 21, 50122 - Firenze, Italia

STEP 4

Upon receipt of the 50% deposit, the Registra's Office will process your application and send your Official Registration which confirms enrollment. If you need a visa to study in Italy, a letter of enrollment will be provided by FUA-AUF. When applying for a student visa, the process should be started immediately since it may take anywhere from a few weeks to a few months.

STEP 5

Final registration deadlines may take place before the session begins. The deadline for pre-arrival course registration will be communicated by the Registrar. Please note that only one, one-time course change can be applied upon arrival in Florence according to the timeframes stated in the Academic Policy.

STEP 6

Prepare for your arrival in Florence by securing your travel arrangements. Your housing assignment will be sent at least 2 weeks prior to your arrival in Florence. Pre-departure and orientation information will also be sent prior to arrival. Housing check-in takes place on the designated arrivals/check-in date for the session of enrollment, as indicated in the Academic Calendar, so please book your travel dates accordingly. Pick-up from the Florence airport can be requested at an extra cost.

ARE YOU STUDYING ABROAD FOR CREDIT?

- If you are coming through an affiliated institution, you are required to enroll through them. Please enquire at your study abroad office prior to filling out your application form.
- If your institution is not affiliated you may obtain credits through FUA-AUF's School of Record.

STUDENT VISA

It is the student's responsibility to obtain the student visa. A student visa may be required depending on student nationality and period of study. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ministero degli Affari Esteri) outlines the requirements and procedures for when a visa is required. These regulations are subject to change according to the decisions of the Italian government. The Ministry's website may be consulted in English for further information, which includes a query according to nationality/residence to determine whether a visa is necessary:

<http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

Visas are obtained at the Italian consulate covering your area of residence.

Consulates require a series of documents in order to issue the study visa. Among these documents, FUA-AUF provides the following: letter of enrollment and international insurance coverage for non-EU citizens, if students do not have their own coverage for studying and living abroad (please specify this on the application form).



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Piazza San Marco

Galleria dell'Accademia

Piazza della S.S. Annunziata

Piazza Brunelleschi

Piazza S.M. Nuova

Museo dell'Opera del Duomo

Piazza del Duomo

Museo del Bargello

Piazza S. Firenze

Chiesa di S. Remigio

Piazza dei Giudici

Ponte alle Grazie

Piazza del Mozzi

Museo Bardini

Musei scientifici

Basilica della S.S. Annunziata

Piazza della S.S. Annunziata

Museo Archeologico

Piazza Brunelleschi

Teatro La Pergola

Museo Firenze com'era

Piazza S. Albizi

Teatro Verdi

Piazza Santa Croce

Basilica di Santa Croce

Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale

Piazza dei Cavalleggeri

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