



STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

SIENA, ITALY

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Study & Internship program combines a minimum 4 week Group + Tutorial Italian Study program followed up with a minimum 4 week Internship Work Experience placement in the community. All internship opportunities will work in partnership with local people in a variety of community-based projects. This unique program offers exciting hands-on work opportunities, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.



CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Siena has an abundance of artistic and historical points of interest. There is the wonderful Piazza del Campo, in the form of a shell, dominated by the Gothic Public Palace, containing masterpieces by Simone Marini and Lorenzetti and the slender Torre del Mangia. No less important is the group by Duomo and Baptistery: the Cathedral proudly presents great works of art such as the Pulpit by Nicla Pisano. The adjoining museum preserves the "Maesta," a famous painting by Duccio di Buoninsegna.

Churches, palaces and museums abound in Siena. The Gothic Basilica of San Domenico; the Salimbeni Palace; the church of Saint Francis with frescoes by Lorenzetti; the superb Palazzo Tolomei; Santa Maria dei Servi, in a romantically isolated position with many precious paintings; the rich Art Gallery in Palazzo Bonsignori and the Archaeological and Etruscan Museum. Siena is a charming medieval city filled with interesting architecture and friendly people and the school is located in the historical center.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Study & Internship Program in Siena, students will gain unique cross-cultural professional experience, greatly improved foreign language abilities, personal and professional growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and culturally sensitive yet sound communication skills.

What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 4 weeks group Italian – 15 hour-long lessons per week in group of 5- 12 students per class, 4 private lessons per week.
- **Internship Placement:** in local Business or Organization
- **Lodging:** In a Homestay or Apartment
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
* Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail**
- **Access to Multimedia Learning Center**
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Pre-Departure Information**
- **Planning Guide**
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage ****
** See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage**
- **Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world

FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

STUDY PROGRAM

The study portion of the program includes 15 hours of group Italian and 4 private lessons per week. The Standard Course is held throughout the year on 6 (monthly) levels of ability. There is a maximum of 12 students in each class.

From the first day of class forward only Italian will be spoken in the classroom. This "total immersion" in the language helps students of all levels to quickly learn the language. By continually promoting the use of verbal communication, it permits the student to learn Italian 'naturally'. It unites the theory and practice of learning the language and helps to quickly build the students confidence in using the language. Students practice their Italian in real-life situations, through role playing with your teacher, and other participants. In advanced courses the written language will also be a major part of the course curriculum.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

After the minimum 4 week study program and professional orientation, there is a 4 week minimum internship placement in a business or organization in one of the following fields:

- Hotel
- Restaurant
- Tourism
- Web Design
- Web Marketing
- Design
- Architecture

Students should indicate on their application form which sector or industry they are interested in working. We will then do our best to find a position in a company working in each student's preferred field. Please note that the more specialized the request, the more difficult it is to find a suitable company. Similarly, if students are prepared to be flexible, finding a company willing to offer work experience will normally be relatively quick and straightforward.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

Single or double room, with breakfast, or half board. Most of the host families have worked with us for many years. Living with a host family offers you the opportunity to become part of Italian society. Nowhere else will you so directly experience real Italian life. The word 'family' should not be taken too literally, because your family could also be a single parent or a childless couple who take in students because they enjoy the company. You can choose between a room with breakfast or half-board (breakfast and dinner). It is obvious that you will have to adjust a little to the rules of the house. Apart from that, you are free to do what you want. You will be given your own keys, so you can come and go as you please. Students in home-stays will be able to receive phone calls.

APARTMENT

Single or double room, shared use of kitchen, bathroom and shower, living room and other common areas. You share a flat or floor of a house either with other students from our school, with other Italian students or with the owner. In selecting the apartments, we do not look for luxury and comfort in material sense, but the apartments are furnished with all essential utilities (bed, table, chair, wardrobe). Kitchen and bathroom are of common use. In the fully equipped kitchen you can prepare your meals separately or together with your flatmates and fellow students. Normally there is no telephone in the apartment.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of 4 weeks of classes, minimum of 4 weeks of internship placement and orientation, and minimum of 8 weeks total of housing ranges between:

\$3,641 → \$4,872**

***Prices range according to housing and board options.

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling with regular passports for tourism or business do not need a visa for a stay of 90 days or less. Those planning a longer visit must obtain a visa in advance of arrival.

Minimum age of 18 undergraduate, graduate students and adults with an undergraduate degree or higher are eligible. Prior experience or classes in the field of the internship placement and an Italian background (placement test given to ascertain Italian level) are required. Internship positions on a space available basis. These are unpaid positions and there is a limited number of positions every month.

ACTIVITIES

The school offers leisure activities as well on a regular basis:

- Dinners, which enable teachers and students to get to know each other better
- Guided visits in History of Art
- Film evenings at school
- Day and half-day excursions
- Visit to wine cellars

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM in Siena, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/online/regform.html>

Also, you will have to send your Curriculum Vitae/Resume in Italian OR English, typewritten by email to study@nrcsa.com or fax at 414-271-8884.

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.