

# STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM SORRENTO, ITALY PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Study & Internship program combines a minimum 4-week Study Program with a 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

Located just to the south of Naples, Sorrento stands on a dramatic line of 150-foot cliffs, looking north across the Bay of Naples. It was originally a Greek village whose name was derived from the mythical song of the mermaids. The very position of the town, built on a high plateau protected by the sea, is typically Greek. According to early Greek legend, it was at Sorrento that Ulysses heard the tempting song of the Sirens, the nymphs who labored long hours to seduce and shipwreck passing sailors.

Sorrento, with its luxuriant vegetation and sun-drenched Mediterranean climate, became a favorite resort of wealthy Romans. A cliff-top setting, an imposing cathedral in the main piazza, a Franciscan church with a distinctive 13th-century cloister, and a charming, flower-filled town draws thousands of modern-day visitors as well. Stroll down the bustling streets lined with lemon and olive trees, taste local produce and mingle with the local inhabitants of Sorrento, known for their warm, welcoming, Southern Italian hospitality.

Sorrento is also the gateway to the romantic island of Capri, a magical place where magnificent white cliffs rise to cradle a beautiful, jewel-like town, as well as to the historic city of Pompeii, which offered the world its first glimpse into ancient Roman life.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Study & Internship Program in Sorrento, 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: Minimum 4 weeks 20 group 60 minute Italian lessons per week. Average of 10-12 students per class
- Internship Placement: in local Business or Organization
- Lodging: Homestay, Flat or Hotel
- 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 a minimum 4-week session with 20 lessons per week. The program is designed to help students develop an integrated mastery of the language and its the four main skill areas: speaking, listening, reading, and writing.

Programs are practical, stimulating, and interactive. Teachers use a range of material to ensure that each student receives both an academic understanding of the language and a contemporary understanding of the Italian culture.

In addition to classroom instruction, the surrounding community offers students an excellent opportunity to practice their language skills. As the NRCSA Center also teaches foreign languages to Italians, students are exposed to Italian native speakers on a daily basis. Students are in an environment which encourages conversation and interaction.

Italian language courses are divided into six levels consistent with the criteria of the Council of Europe: Beginner (I), Elementary (II), Pre-Intermediate (III), Intermediate (IV), Upper Intermediate (V), and Advanced (VI). If a student has previous Italian language experience, a test will be administered in the beginning of the course to determine placement.

### **INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Coinciding with the minimum 4-week study program, there is a 4-week minimum internship placement in a business or organization in Sorrento or the surrounding areas.

Students should indicate on their application form which sector or industry they are interested in working in (e.g. tourism, insurance, architecture, etc.). 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**

Homestay accommodation is offered to all students and is the most effective way to learn the language and live the culture. The cost includes a single room with breakfast daily. Half board (breakfast and dinner) and double rooms for students traveling together can be arranged upon request and at additional cost. This is an excellent opportunity to practice Italian on a daily basis and sample the delights of Italian home cookery.

#### **APARTMENT**

Rooms in shared student flats have shared bathroom and kitchen facilities. The number of rooms per flat varies from 1 to 7. Double rooms are for students traveling together only. This option is available upon request and may be at additional cost.

For the more independent student, we offer private flats. This option is available upon request and may be at additional cost.

#### HOTEL

There are a wide range of hotels, from one to five stars, in the city center and surrounding area. This option is available upon request and may be at additional cost.

# PRICE RANGE

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

**\$2,565** → **\$6,221**\*\*

\*\*\*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 are required. Internship positions on a space available basis. These are unpaid positions and there is a limited number of positions every month.

# **ACTIVITIES**

Sorrento is full of cultural, artistic and outdoor activities year-round. Participating in these activities is a fun way to learn the language and interact with the locals. Some activities students can get involved with may include:

- International Cinema Festival
- Italian Theater
- Musical concerts at the gorgeous 17th-century Church of Santa Maria
- Water Sports such as snorkeling, scuba diving, sailing, waterskiing
- Shopping

# **HOW TO REGISTER**

To register for the STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM in Sorrento, 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.