



ITALIAN FOR EDUCATORS

FLORENCE, ITALY

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE SPRING THROUGH FALL



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our intensive Italian for Educators program in Florence, Italy combines the standard Italian immersion program with specific Italian and cultural training for educators. This is a great way to learn both general and specialized Italian. Educators at all levels benefit from this immersion experience.

CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

The city of Florence, known as the "Cradle of the Renaissance," has approximately 700,000 inhabitants and is easy to reach by train or car. It offers the visitor numerous museums, churches, monuments and offers various artistic and cultural events year-round. The city's position in central Italy allows students to partake of interesting city excursions to Venice, Rome or the seaside.

It was here that artists such as Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci lived and worked, as did poets such as Dante and Boccaccio. As a cultural heritage from these times, Florence possesses a wealth of monuments and works of art, which make every stay in the city an unforgettable experience.

The purity of the language of its people and the thousand memories of ancient art and culture, coupled with the present reality of a modern and active town make Florence the ideal place for a foreign student to learn Italian and to come in contact with Italian life and culture.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

In this Italian for Educators program, students will improve their communicative ability in both speaking and listening. They will discuss different methods of teaching with the instructors and the other students in the program, review grammar and other technical aspects of the language, and broaden their understanding of the culture and region of Florence.



What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 2 week minimum - 54 lessons of theory + 16 lessons of practical in class training
- **Lodging:** Homestay, Apartment, Hotel or Residence
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
* Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail**
- **University credit:** Options available
- **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

This course aims at teachers of Italian, whose native tongue is not Italian. If you teach Italian in your home country and want to update your language and teaching skills and discuss cultural topics, this course is perfect for you.

The course is an opportunity for you to update your language skills and exchange your experiences in using various teaching methods with international colleagues and teaching staff of the language school. Up-to-date information on Italian language and culture is part of the program. The course is designed to provide you with suggestions and new ideas which you can then put into practice after returning home.

The Study Program includes 54 lessons of theory plus 16 lessons of practical in class training. The lessons are held in small group with minimum of 5 and maximum of 15 students. One lesson lasts 60 minutes. Groups are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of Italian. The method is based on the 4 language skills: listening, grammar, oral and written comprehension. No English will be used in class.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

In selecting host families, we do not look for luxury and comfort in the material sense but for Italian families who appreciate hosting foreign students. These can be "traditional" with children, a single parent or a childless couple who take in students because they enjoy the company. You can choose between breakfast and half board (breakfast and dinner). You have your meals together with the family but you should be aware that Italian eating habits can be rather different from your own. Breakfast usually only consists of coffee or tea and bread, butter, marmalade. Dinner is a complete meal served normally at around 8:00 P.M.

SHARED APARTMENT

Living in an apartment, together with other foreign or Italian students or with the landlord/landlady, requires maturity but allows you considerable independence. You share the bathroom and the kitchen with roommates(s) and can cook on your own.

PRIVATE APARTMENT

Private apartments are more comfortable than shared apartments and therefore more expensive. They are available for one or more people. Prices are available on request. Please note that the private apartments must be reserved well in advance and the prices vary depending on the city and season.

STUDENT RESIDENCE

One, two and three-roomed apartments with either two, three or four beds in each; a lounge, a kitchen area, bathroom with shower, direct dial telephone, air conditioning, television and daily cleaning services. On request, there are normally the following supplementary services: parking, breakfast, secretarial services and a safe for valuables.

HOTEL

We work with hotels located close to the school (basic offer always: bed & breakfast, rooms with shower or bathroom). Prices are available on request.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of minimum 2 weeks of Italian language classes, teacher training, culture classes, and housing ranges from:

\$1,696 → \$2,116**

**Prices range according to housing and board options.

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling on 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.

Participants must have an intermediate level of Italian to participate in the Italian for Educators program.

ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS

All activities are organized by the local coordinator and may include:

- City walks
- Special interest lectures
- Sports

One day excursions are also available at an additional cost. Excursion locations can include:

- Siena
- San Gimignano
- Pisa
- Lucca
- Isle of Elba
- Cinque Terre
- Parco dell'Uccellina

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the ITALIAN FOR EDUCATORS PROGRAM in Florence, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/on-line/regform.html>

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