

Art in Italy

Summer 2024

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Application Deadline

Early Decision program applications accepted until **December 1, 2023**. Apply early decision for study abroad or study abroad *and* scholarships and receive a decision by mid-January 2024. Regular Decision program applications accepted until **February 15, 2024**. Click "[Apply to Study Abroad](#)" to begin your application.

Dates

July 8 – July 30, 2024

Location

Live in the heart of Tuscany at Meredith's Italian palazzo in Sansepolcro, Italy! Group excursions include Anghiari, Citta di Castello, and multi-day explorations of Florence, Prato, and Venice.

Student Voices

"Studying abroad this summer was an experience that made me grow as a person, both academically and personally. It was exciting to connect the things I learned in the classroom with the art and Italian culture. While stepping out of my comfort zone was hard, being surrounded by staff, faculty, and peers who supported me helped me discover how strong I really am. Studying abroad is one of the best opportunities that Meredith College offers." - Perla Gerez Hernandez, Summer 2023

Courses: 6 credits required

ART 270/370: Fibers I or II (3 credits, required)

Fulfills Arts and Aesthetics requirement, Art major/minor, Arts Elective

This course will focus on traditional textile techniques, like weaving and embroidery, with a contemporary spin. By researching the great history of women's work in Italy, we will explore traditions while incorporating concepts of the 21st century. Students will be encouraged to find inspiration in the art, landscape, and culture of Italy through sketches, embroidery, and weaving. (Studio fee included in program cost.) Pre-requisite: ART 101, ART 110, or by permission of instructor.

ART 201: Drawing II (3 credits, required)

Fulfills Arts and Aesthetics requirement, Art major/minor requirement, Arts elective

An extension of the concepts and techniques encountered in Drawing I. Artistic expression and communication through drawing in both black and white and color media will be explored. Students will experience Italy through exploring traditional and experimental drawing techniques and processes. May be repeated once for credit to explore additional media, techniques, and processes with permission of the instructor. (Studio fee included in program cost.) Pre-requisite: ART 101, or by permission of instructor.

Faculty

Director: Professor Emily Howard, '01 and Sansepolcro study abroad alumna
Department Head of Art, howardem@meredith.edu

Faculty: Professor Todd Jones
Visiting Assistant Professor of Art and Gallery Director, tnjones@meredith.edu

Program Overview

This three-week program is based in Sansepolcro, Italy, a small Tuscan town about halfway between Florence and Rome. Your classes will typically meet in the morning and early afternoon, leaving most of your evenings for study and for exploration of Sansepolcro.

Within its 16th-century walls, Sansepolcro contains numerous ancient and beautiful buildings—palaces, churches, museums, hotels, restaurants, and shops. Sansepolcro provides a wonderful, comfortable, friendly, and safe place to live and study. Nearby towns make great day trips by bus or train. But after a day of extended time away, returning to Sansepolcro will make you feel as though you have come home.

Group excursions will introduce you to the art and architectural delights of nearby Anghiari and Citta di Castello. Multi-day excursions to Florence, Prato, and Venice will include visits to several museums and expose you to many iconic works of Italian art.

Cost

\$4,800 includes:

- \$100 non-refundable application deposit
- Tuition for 6 Meredith College credits, with studio fees included
- Accommodations in Italy
- Weekday breakfasts and lunches
- Academic excursions to Prato, Florence, and Venice
- Survival Italian language class
- Coach transport to Sansepolcro
- On-site support from Meredith faculty
- Orientation and resources

Additional expenses include:

- Round-trip airfare: \$2,000

- Passport, if applicable + \$10 ETIAS visa: \$165
- International health insurance: \$55
- International cell phone plan: \$100
- Independent travel and personal spending money: \$750-\$1,000

Note: Estimates are based on previous student reports. Your spending habits may differ.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Additional study abroad funding is available. Register for a Funding Workshop and access the scholarship application at <http://meredith.edu/oip>. **Early Decision scholarship deadline: December 1, 2023 (with study abroad application). Regular Decision scholarship deadline: February 15, 2024.**

COVID-19 Protocols

The Office of International Programs strongly recommends all program participants arrive vaccinated against COVID-19 and up to date with all recommended boosters. The OIP will continue to implement ongoing COVID-19 mitigation and response measures in faculty-led study abroad programs.

Meredith College Office of International Programs reserves the right to make changes to the program itinerary, program capacity limits, schedule, cost, academic program, etc., as necessary.