

Immerse yourself in experiential learning and spend the spring semester 2010 in Rome with Santa Barbara City College. The SBCC Semester Abroad in Rome includes courses in communication, creative writing art history, Italian, and service learning. The program begins on the SBCC campus for two weeks after which you will travel to Italy where you will experience Italian culture through study, instruction, and immersion in daily Italian life. Your home base will be in Rome, the 2,700 year-old Italian capital, whose streets are filled with history and architectural masterpieces and museums and churches hold priceless works of art. Visits to other notable cities in Italy are included in the program. The program is academic in nature, but it also provides you with the opportunity to make new friends, become acquainted with Italy's living history, and learn through direct experience with Italian language, customs, and cuisine.

Program Highlights

- Walking tour of the areas in Rome around the ACCENT center
- Excursion to Tuscany/Florence (three-day, two-night) including visit to Cateo Banfi, the Ufizi, and the Bargello and the Duomo
- Excursion to Naples/ Sorrento/ Capri (three day, two nights)
- Shared housing in student apartments
- Optional service learning component
- Rome transit pass

- Independent travel opportunities after the program ends

Program Director

Dr. Lou Spaventa is a former Peace Corps Volunteer, Fulbright Lecturer, and U.S. Foreign Service Officer. His degrees are in English Literature, Linguistics, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages and Education, in which he holds a Ph.D. Professor Spaventa has studied Korean, Spanish, Italian, Arabic, Serbo-Croatian and Japanese, among other languages. He has lived and worked in Korea, Mexico, England, Colombia, Saudi Arabia, and the former Yugoslavia. In addition, he has done short term professional work in Vietnam, Guatemala, Italy, Belgium, Romania, France, and Taiwan. In the spring of 2004 and 2007, Dr. Spaventa directed the SBCC Study Abroad Programs to Florence.

Program Requirements

You do not have to be currently enrolled at SBCC, but you must enroll for the spring 2010 semester to participate in the Rome program. You do not have to be a communication, English, or art major, and there is no Italian prerequisite. By the time of application, you should have completed at least 12 college units with a grade point average of at least 2.5. In addition, you are required to have completed English 110 (Composition and Reading) or

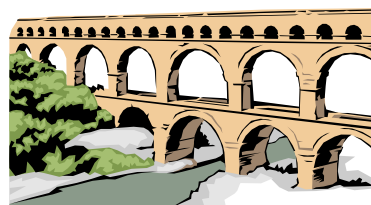
equivalent with a grade of "C" or better. You will be required to attend daily classes for two weeks in late January or February prior to your departure for Italy.

Courses and Credits

All units with the exception of Ed 295 are usually transferable to the University of California and California State University. Check with your counselor for possible exceptions. Students choose courses from the following list for a total of a minimum of 12 units.

Course	Description	Units
<i>You are required to take:</i>		
Art 210	Renaissance and Baroque Art	3
<i>In addition you must choose at least 3 of the following courses for a minimum of 12 units:</i>		
Comm 151	Intercultural Communication	3
English 270	Creative Writing	3
Italian 101/102	Italian Grammar	4
Ed 295 (not UC transferable)	Internship in Education	2-3

Program participants must be 18 years or older on or before the date of departure



Approximate Program Cost \$7225

Includes: \$200 refundable security deposit, housing in double/triple occupancy rooms in shared student apartments with kitchen, bathroom and general living area, required field trips and excursions, breakfast on overnight excursions, Rome transit pass, and entrances.

Not included: Round-trip airfare, transportation to and from LAX, passport fees, visa fees, Italian health coverage, SBCC registration fees (non-residents are required to pay out-of-state or out-of-country fees), textbooks, food, personal expenses and travel expenses.

Financial Aid

If you need financial assistance to participate in the Rome study abroad program, go to the Financial Aid Office and begin financial aid paperwork early. It takes the Financial Aid Office a minimum of 4-6 weeks to process your paperwork and determine your eligibility for aid. Please see our website for additional information about financial aid at <http://www.sbcc.edu/financialaid/>. You may also inquire about loans. A limited number of Study Abroad scholarships may be available to students *who qualify for financial aid*.

Application Procedure

Deadline for application: November 13, 2009.

Apply early as the number of places is limited.

Applicants may be accepted after the deadline if space is available. Application forms are available at the SBCC Study Abroad Office, from Professor Spaventa, and online at sbcc.edu/studyabroad. An interview with the program director will be scheduled upon receipt of your application and deposit. If you live outside the Santa Barbara area, you may be interviewed by telephone.

Information Meetings

You are invited to attend any of the following information meetings. Attendance is not mandatory for participation in the program. Parents are welcome to attend.

Date	Time	Room
Tues, Sept. 8	4:00 p.m.	Please check the Study Abroad website for meeting room.
Mon, Sept. 21	2:00 p.m.	
Thurs., Oct. 1	4:00 p.m.	
Wed, Oct. 7	2:00 p.m.	

Travel and Housing

SBCC has contracted with ACCENT to provide travel and housing arrangements for the Rome, Italy, Semester Program. After you are accepted to the

program, your non-refundable first payment check will be forwarded to them.

Air Transportation. The program provider will provide optional group flight information after acceptance into the program. Space on the group flight cannot be guaranteed after November 20, 2009. You may make your own travel arrangements if you do not wish to travel with the group.

Housing Arrangements. In most cases apartments accommodate four to six students with two students per bedroom although some apartments may be larger. Kitchen facilities are provided. Meals are not included in the program.

Payment Schedule without Airfare		
Non-refundable first payment	Due with application	\$250.00
Second payment	Nov. 20, 2009	\$3487.50
Final payment	Dec. 22, 2009	\$3487.50
Total		\$7225.00
Includes \$200 refundable security deposit.		

For information about financial aid, scholarships, and travel information, please visit our website: www.sbcc.edu/studyabroad

Suggested Amount for Personal Expenses. Though personal spending habits vary widely, we suggest taking at least \$1500 for food and personal expenses.

SBCC Registration. Later in the fall we will send you registration materials so that you can register for the program courses online.

Pre-Departure Meetings. You will be required to attend pre-departure orientation meetings, which will be held in late January or February.

SBCC Fees. SBCC fees are not included in the program cost. California residents pay \$26 per unit; non-California residents pay \$216 per unit; international students pay \$231 per unit. You are required to enroll in a minimum of 12 units in the program. Fees are subject to change.

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Spring Semester Program

Communication, Creative Writing,
Art History, Italian and Service
Learning in

ROME



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