Florence & Rome, Italy

March 7 – 14, 2019

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This trip is open to everyone!
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TRIP INCLUSIONS:
- Round trip airfare; airline TBA (Philadelphia - Rome - Philadelphia)
- Local Private Coach; group ground transportation in Italy
- Hotel double occupancy; centrally located superior tourist or tourist class hotels
  (rated by local governments) in both Florence and Rome, Italy
- Continental Breakfast each day in the hotel
- One 3-day Roma Pass per participant, which will cover transportation by bus/subway for 3 days total, as well
  as up to 2 entrances to select museums/monuments
- 24-hour emergency contact available by phone
- Service charges, local taxes, and fees

FEE: $2,221.00*

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:
-$300.00 deposit due at the time of registration
-$300.00 second payment due by Monday, October 1, 2018
-Balance due on or before Monday, November 19, 2018

*NOTE: Quoted fee is based on current exchange rates, hotel availability, estimated departure taxes,
estimated airline fuel surcharges, and a minimum of twenty-five participants. Any or all of these may decrease or
increase at anytime. Fee includes tips (coach drivers, assistants) for services under Trip Inclusions. Payments are
made by check to “Shippensburg University” and are sent to the Art & Design Department - Italy Trip, 1871 Old
Main Drive, Shippensburg, PA, 17257. Penalties can be applied for withdraw once registration is submitted. Single
room supplement (if applicable): $545.00. This trip is limited to forty-seven participants.

QUESTIONS: Please contact:

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Itinerary:

Day 1 – DEPARTURE - Philadelphia, PA (Thursday, March 7)
Overnight flight to Rome, Italy

Day 2 - FLORENCE (Friday, March 8)
On arrival at airport in Rome, meet assistant and private coach for transfer to Florence. On arrival transfer
to hotel for check in. Remainder of the day is free.
Dinner at leisure.
Overnight in Florence.

Day 3 – FLORENCE (Saturday, March 9)
Continental buffet breakfast at hotel.
Full day and Dinner at leisure.
Overnight in Florence.

Day 4 - FLORENCE (Sunday, March 10)
Continental buffet breakfast at hotel.
Full day and Dinner at leisure.
Overnight in Florence.

Day 5 - FLORENCE (Monday, March 11)
Continental buffet breakfast at hotel.
Full day and Dinner at leisure.
Overnight in Florence.

Day 6 –FLORENCE - ROME (Tuesday, March 12)
Continental buffet breakfast at hotel. Greet coach for transport to Rome. Check into the Rome hotel.
Roma Passes to be distributed to the group on arrival in Rome, 1 pass per participant. Remainder of the
day is free.
Dinner at your leisure.
Overnight in Rome.

Day 7 – ROME (Wednesday, March 13)
Continental buffet breakfast at hotel.
Full day free and Dinner at leisure.
Overnight in Rome.

Day 8 – RETURN – PHILADELPHIA, PA (Thursday, March 14)
Continental buffet breakfast at hotel.
Meet coach for transfer to Rome airport with assistant and return flight to Philadelphia, PA.
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Sites Not to Miss in Florence:
Santa Maria del Fiore - The Duomo
Palazzo Vecchio
Medici Chapel - San Lorenzo
Uffizi Art Gallery - Vasari Corridor
Galleria dell’Academia - Michelangelo’s David
Basilica of Santa Croce
Basilica of Santa Maria Novella
Santa Maria del Carmine - Brancacci Chapel
Pitti Palace
Ponte Vecchio - gold and silver shopping; Leather Markets

Florence is a walk friendly city, with many sites of interest very close to each other.

From Florence - Optional Day Trips by Train or with Bus Tours to:

Pisa:
Cathedral, Baptistery, Leaning Tower

Lucca:
Guinigi Tower
St. Martin’s Cathedral
Ducal Palace
Ancient Roman Amphitheatre
Church of San Michelle in Foro
The Clock Tower
Palazzo Pfanner
Orto Botanico Comunale di Lucca, a botanical garden
Church of San Giorgio
City Walls - a pedestrian promenade encircling the old town

Siena:
Siena Cathedral, Baptistery
Piazza del Campo
Palazzo Publico
Sanctuary of Santa Caterina - Crucifix

San Gimignano:
Town of Towers
Communal Palace
Church - Sant’Agostino
WHAT TO SEE IN ROME:

Colosseum
The Roman Forum
Pantheon
Monument to Vittorio Emanuele II
Castel Sant’Angelo
Ponte Sant’Angelo - Bridge of Angels
Vatican City
Vatican Museums
St. Peter’s Basilica - Sistine Chapel
Saint Peter’s Square
Papal Palace
Trevi Fountain
Galleria Borghese - Bernini, Caravaggio, Titian, and Raphael
Columns of - Marcus Aurelius, Trajan, and Antonine
Piazza Navona
Piazza della Rupubblica
Piazza del Campidoglio - by Michelangelo
Spanish Steps
Piazza del Popolo
Egyptian and Roman obelisks
Catacombs
Aqueducts, and Fountains

Rome is a wonderful city to walk, or is easily navigated by the underground, busses, or a taxi.

- ABOUT OUR TRAVEL GROUP -

Our annual spring break travel group is diverse - students, faculty, administrators, alumni, family and friends, and the community-at-large. We are friendly, looking for fun, excitement, and new educational experiences. Many in our group are seasoned travelers. We welcome all participants! You may not know everyone at the beginning of the trip, but you will have the opportunity to make new friends and get to know everyone by the end. Your first opportunity to meet everyone will be at our February group meeting before departure.

Many participants travel with their family or close friends. Do you have someone you would like to accompany you on this trip – bring them, the more the merrier!

Small groups will form daily to seek out similar interests – join a group if you wish. You’re an independent traveler, not an issue, we are here when you need us.

While some sites on the trip will be planned, the majority of your time will be yours. Do what you want, for as long as you wish, when you want to do it, and with whom. It is your trip. Search your local library and the web to find sites of personal interest in the locations we are visiting. Bookstores have many different types of travel guides that can offer walking tours, restaurants, museums, churches, and other points of interest that are not to be missed. DK Eyewitness Travel Guides are one of many excellence travel book resources.

Our ultimate goal on this trip is to create memories that will last a life time. We hope you can join us! Ciao!
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Previous SU Art & Design Department Spring Break destinations:

LONDON, UK, Dover and Canterbury (2014)
PARIS, FR and Versailles, Chartres (2001, 2008)
MADRID, SPAIN and Toledo, Segovia (2002)
ROME, ITALY and Pompeii (2003)
ROME, ITALY and Sorrento, Monte Cassino, Amalfi Coast, and Pompeii (2013)
FLORENCE, ITALY and San Gimignano, Siena (2005)
FLORENCE, ITALY and Assisi, Spoleto, Rome (2010)
FLORENCE, ITALY and Volterra, Rome (2015)
ATHENS, GREECE and the islands of Poros, Hydra, and Aegina (2006)
VENICE, ITALY and Milan, Verona (2007)
VENICE, ITALY and Milan, Mantua (2012)
PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC and Karlovy Vary (2009)
AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS and The Hague, Delft, and Gouda (2011)