

	Frequency
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS	Always, Sometimes, Never/ Required or Optional
Course work in a foreign language	No (Italian basics are covered pre-trip)
Course work in English	Always
Laptop Required	Laptop or similar device required
Smart phone required (videos, photos, blogs)	Always
Traditional Classroom	Traditional and onsite classes
Group Work	Always
Academic Assessments (tests, journals, presentations, essays)	Journals, podcasts, presentations
Interactions with local residents	Sometimes
Field Work/Research	Never
Internship/ Volunteer Work	Never
Other	

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STUDY AWAY ENVIRONMENT	Always, Sometimes, Never/ Required or Optional
Foreign Language Environment	Italian
Terrain (Mountains, Tropical, Forest, Desert, Hilly, Flat)	Cobblestones, some hills
Population: Rural, Urban, Remote, etc.	Urban
Environment (high altitude, air pollution, dusty, sandy, humid, dry, hot, cold)	Warm and dry
Mosquito Borne Risk of Illness	Low/no risk
Is tap water safe to drink	Safe to drink
Other Risks (natural disasters, crime, pickpocketing, etc.)	Pickpocketing in high congested areas
Cultural Dress Code	Modest attire for religious sites
Curfew	Never
Motion Sickness	Plane, train, bus, and water taxi travel
Other	

PHYSICAL EXPECTATIONS		HEALTH & DIET	
Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional		Frequency	
Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional		Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional	
Lifting/Carrying Own Luggage	Always	Vegetarian and Vegan Options Available at all meals	Always
Carrying equipment or program supplies	Never	Food Allergy Accommodations	Always
Standing 60+ minutes	Always	Group Meals	Some group meals provided in addition to most breakfasts.
Ability to walk up one or more flights of stairs (elevators may not be available)	Always	Cooking for oneself	Never
Hiking (easy to strenuous; frequency; miles)	No hiking	Host family prepares meals	Never
Walking 3+ miles per day	Always. Daily walking is closer to 8 miles.	Healthcare easily accessible	Always
Use of public transportation (buses, trams, trains, subways)	Always	Quality of Healthcare	Excellent
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS		WATER ACTIVITIES	
Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional		Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional	
Host Family		Swimming	No
Roommate	Always	Snorkeling	No
Shared Apartment		SCUBA	No
Dormitory	Yes (Accademia dell'Arte)	Boat, canoes or other water activities	No
Camping		Sea sickness	Possible with water taxi
Hotel	Sometimes	Other	No
Cell phone signal available	Always	Center for Disease Control Recommendations: https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/italy	
Internet signal available	Always		
Refrigerator Access	Yes, at Accademia dell'Arte; front desk at hotels		
Air Conditioning	Sometimes		
Other	Linens are provided		