

# Cal Poly Rome Program in Architecture

fall 2019

**Dates** Fall 2020: 15 weeks  
Aug 31 - Dec 11

**Credits** 15 credits

**Courses** ARCH 451 Design Studio  
ARCH 445 Urban Design in Architecture  
ARCH 420 Seminar in History Theory and Criticism  
ARCH 480 Italian Cities & Landscapes  
Italian Language (not for credit)



## Why choose Rome

*15 weeks in Italy*

*2 weeks of field trips in Italy*

*9 days of mid-term break for independent travel*

*Exclusive access to cultural sites & experts*

*Modern facilities in beautiful, historic settings*

*Expert, local faculty*

*Orientation sessions & on-site student services*

*Immigration assistance*

*Convenient housing provided by program*

*Cultural activities, Italian film, cooking, etc.*

**Study in Rome**, and discover how Italy has forever transformed timeless ideas into contemporary culture. You can be part of that process today.

Leave the Classroom to Learn in the Field & Learn by Doing

Study Sustainable Design & Planning; Creative Design Studios; Seminar in History, Theory and Criticism; and Italian Language

Meet designers and other professional experts

Explore contemporary and historical sites in Rome

Travel throughout Italy

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## FAQs

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### What is included?

AIA Rome Center offers a full-facility, full-service program. Field trips with comfortable lodging and transportation, textbooks, orientation, some group meals, on-site student support, cultural visits and more are included in tuition.



### What are the field trips like?

Two weeks of field trips include transportation, comfortable hotels, and group meals across Italy.



### Can I travel on my own?

You will have free time each week to explore Rome, and many students use the 9-day mid-term break to travel. Rome is a hub for traveling around Italy, Europe and the Mediterranean.



### Do I earn Cal Poly credit?

Yes! All four Architecture courses earn direct Cal Poly credit.

### What are the design studios like?

Serious complete design studios explore manual and digital media. Build your skills and your portfolio through creative solutions to challenging, real-world problems.

### Where do we study?

You will work in fully equipped facilities, located in an elegant palace in the heart of Rome.



### What is housing like?

The program provides clean, comfortable apartments just minutes walk from classrooms.

### What is Rome like?

Rome is one of the richest historical urban environments in the world. It is also a walkable, modern metropolis of lively, livable, local neighborhoods.

### Will I learn Italian?

Our university-level, not-for-credit Italian Language course has no grades – just a lot of learning with a native language professor.

### Will I make local contacts?

Yes. Architecture courses are taught by local professor and architect Tom Rankin, graduate of Princeton and the Harvard GSD, who has worked and taught in Italy for decades. And, you will meet many other diverse, local experts, academics and professionals in your classes and site visits.

### Is it all about academics?

This academically rigorous program also includes many extracurricular activities, such as group dinners, Italian films, cooking lessons, etc. Fill your free time with urban living like concerts, local eateries, professional soccer, museums, etc.

### What about student support?

The AIA staff helps students get settled in their new home in Italy with student services like:

- Pre-departure advice
- Orientation sessions
- Immigration assistance
- Online services
- Housing assistance
- Emergency assistance

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