# Cal Poly Rome Program in Architecture

Dates Fall 2023:15 weeks Sep 2 - Dec 15

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)

15 weeks in Italy

2 weeks of field trips

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

**E**xclusive access to cultural sites & experts

**M**odern facilities in beautiful, historic settings

Expert, local faculty

**O**rientation sessions & on-site student services

Immigration assistance

**C**onvenient housing provided by program

**C**ultural activities, Italian language, film, etc.



**Study in Rome,** and discover how Italy has forever transformed timeless ideas into contemporary culture.

Leave the Classroom to Learn in the Field Travel throughout Italy

Meet designers and other professional experts

Explore contemporary and historical sites in Rome

Earn credit towards a Sustainability Minor

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



# Cal Poly **Rome Program** in Architecture ACADEMIC INITIATIVES ABROAD AIA Rome Center

# FAQ

## What is included?

This is a full-facility, full-service program. Field trips with comfortable lodging and transportation, textbooks, orientation, some group meals, onsite student support, cultural visits and more are included in tuition.

#### Are the field trips costs included?

Field trips include transportation, comfortable hotels, cultural sites and some great group meals.

## 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?

AIA provides fully equipped facilities, located in an elegant palace in the heart of Rome.

# What is housing like?

AIA provides clean, comfortable apartments just minutes walk from the AIA Rome Center.









for more info see the Architecture department website or go to <u>www.aia-study.com</u> on Facebook: aia rome center

#### 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.

# Who teaches the classes?

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.

## 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.

# Is it all about classes?

This academically rigorous program also includes many cultural activities, Italian language, film, 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