

AU in Tuscany: Arts & Literature

Aesthetics or Humanities Core Meets the CCI Requirement

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Retreat to the Italian countryside!

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ABOUT THE ARTIST & SCHOLAR RETREAT

Art students will use on site studios to work on pieces which reflect on art as it relates to modern philosophical thought. Students will have to the opportunity to study and interact with artifacts in Italy.

Literature students will discuss the work of Tuscan writers, from Renaissance poets like Dante and Petrarch, to modern masters such as Giuseppe Ungaretti, reflecting on the roles of language, landscape, and history in creative work, and writing poems and stories of their own.

Spring Semester 2024 Courses Options (choose ONE): Coursework taken spring semester prior to the tour.

- ART 150 Art and Ideas Aesthetics core class
- ART 160 (all concentrations) Aesthetics core class
- Any Art major/minor in 200/300/400 level studio class
- ENG 304: Short Story Humanities core class
- Any English major/minor in 300/400 level ENG class with permission

TENTATIVE ITINERARY LOCATIONS

Most days will be spent studying, working, and relaxing on the monastery grounds. Students will also spend 2 nights in Rome (1 at the start and 1 at the end of the trip) and take day trips to Florence and Siena.

ON-SITE ARRANGEMENTS

Students will stay in a dormitory space in a renovated monastery outside Siena, Italy. The monastery includes three-studio classrooms for artists, several discussion rooms, and presentation spaces.

ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST

Approximately \$2,200 (Tentative until flights are booked)

INCLUDED: Round trip flight from Ohio to Rome, two nights' accommodation in Rome, day trip to Florence, public bus transportation to Siena, 3 meals a day while at the monastery, international health insurance

NOT INCLUDED: Meals in Rome, Siena and Florence (\$100+), taxis & public transportation (\$60), expenses for passport (\$165), ETIAS travel visa (\$7-\$9), personal spending

DEADLINES & PAYMENTS

November 1 - \$500 non-refundable deposit deadline **February 1** - Remaining balance charged to AU account

HOW TO APPLY

- 1. Submit \$500 non-refundable deposit, check made out to Ashland University or a debit/credit card, to the Study Abroad Office (Bixler 211) prior to the deadline. You can call 419-289-5870 with debit/credit card information. Limited seats, so apply early!
- 2. Register for spring semester course linked to tour