Marist in Florence
A Workshop with a View: Fiction Writing in Florence
May 30 - June 13, 2015
Program Details
This program will follow in E.M. Forster’s footsteps from a hundred years ago, using the unique environs of Florence and Tuscany to create our own fictional pieces, while workshopping our work together in a classroom setting.

Course Offerings
The program will include formal lectures, daily workshops and presentations, as well as visits to select cultural and historical sites. Students will keep a journal of daily activities and will write two original short stories.

Three (3) credits will be offered. Students will be enrolled in one of the following courses:
- ENG 235L-150 Literary Genres: Fiction
- ENG 382L-150 Fiction Workshop

Note: Short-term courses may fulfill elective credit for the Global Studies minor or serve as a Foreign Culture credit or for the Cultural Diversity requirement, as well as core/ major/minor requirements. Speak with your Academic Advisor for more information.

Program Director
Prof. Thomas Zurhellen, Associate Professor of English has over four years experience leading short-term programs.

Students interested in the program need to meet with either program director to discuss program details and to receive permission to enroll in the program. Students cannot register for the course or program on their own.

Academics
Pre-departure instruction will be via e-mail, disseminating texts and reading schedules. On-site instruction will consist of 4 scheduled class sessions covering specific texts. Walking tours are scheduled to connect the texts to their historical and cultural context, as well as visits to various museums. Grading is based on 25% pre-departure and 75% on-site.

Students are required to participate in all scheduled academic activities, both at Marist and while in Florence and Tuscany.

Attendance is mandatory for all scheduled orientation/class sessions.

Program Highlights
- Program travels to Florence and Tuscany
- Site visits to select cultural and historical places of interest, such as the:
  - Duomo
  - Uffizi Gallery
  - Galleria dell’Accademia (David)
  - And more!

Requirements
- Minimum 2.0 GPA
- The program director must approve each student’s participation in the program

Housing
Students will stay in budget hotels or dormitories (double or triple occupancy).

Meals
Breakfast is provided; all other meals are the responsibility of the student.

Program Notes
- Program fees may change due to currency exchange fluctuations, and/or other unanticipated cost changes.
- Program fees are based on a minimum number of program participants.
- The MIP Short Term Program Coordinator will provide prospective participants with the program Refund Policy. Do not submit your application until you have reviewed the Refund Policy. Application submission indicates acceptance of the Refund Policy.

Applicants must: have a sincere desire to learn about foreign lands, cultures, peoples; tolerance for ambiguity; ability to adjust to different environments; be respectful of local norms and customs; possess an open mind. "It’s not wrong, it’s different."

MIP reserves the right to modify or cancel the program, including changes to the itinerary, scheduled visits, program dates, costs, etc.

All fees will be refunded if the program is cancelled.

Graduating Seniors: Please note that students participating in a Spring Attachment course will be able to participate in the May Commencement Ceremony. The actual graduation date upon which your degree is conferred will be August 31, as your Spring Attachment coursework will not be completed until after the May 31 conferral date. Your diploma will be mailed to you in early September.

All Information in this brochure is subject to change.

Registration Deadline: November 14, 2014

Program Fee: $4,200

Program Inclusions
- Roundtrip Air
- On-site Airport Transfer
- On-site Program Transportation
- Accommodation (double/triple occupancy)
- 1 meal per day (breakfast)
- Welcome and Farewell Dinner
- Site visits (entrance fees to designated venues)

Financials
The program fee will be included in the Spring Semester invoice and payment is due by early January. If the course is added during the spring add/drop period the course/program fees must be paid in full at time of enrollment.

A Spring Attachment course can be taken as part of your spring semester course load (12-16 credits). Additional charges apply over 16 credits.

TuitionPay offers a spring-only monthly payment plan option. Payments may be spread over four (4) months, and can be set up in November with the first payment due in December. Call 1.800.635.0120 or visit www.tuitionpay.com for information.

Alternative loans information: www.marist.edu/financialaid.

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