## ITALY

### The Umbra Institute



#### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- · Available spring, summer, and fall
- · Easy transfer of credits
- No language experience required
- Accommodations near campus
- Direct enrollment (You pay tuition to Umbra Institute.)

#### WHY PERUGIA?

"The big university town in a small Italian city." Rich in art, architecture, and historical significance, it is internationally recognized as a city of learning. Perugia's hilltop location serves as the ideal backdrop for study abroad in Italy: the ancient city is surrounded by the rolling hills of Umbria and Tuscany. While lying off the beaten path, travel from Perugia is easy as Rome, Florence, Siena, Assisi, and Cortona lie only a short distance away, and the airports in Perugia and Rome connect you to the rest of Europe. As opposed to larger cities like Rome or Florence, Perugia offers limitless opportunities to practice language skills and experience authentic Italian life. Time and time again, those who studied here find themselves returning to enjoy the city's delights. Once seduced by Perugia, it is impossible to stay away!

#### STUDY AT THE UMBRA INSTITUTE

Beyond the unique location, community engagement is the guiding philosophy behind all Umbra academic programs. Thanks to the city's small size, the daily interaction with Italian students, and effective Italian language studies, Umbra helps students get to know the real Italy. Each semester, Umbra students discover that giving back to the host community is one of the most rewarding outcomes of their time abroad. The real and visible impact of these efforts includes intercultural exchange, language acquisition, and new friendships. Students may choose from academic internships and service learning projects to volunteering, Co-Ops, and more. www.umbra.org/community-engagement-abroad

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- · Undergraduate student
- Good academic standing (2.75 GPA)
- One year's residency at Chatham

### APPLICATION DEADLINES AND PROGRAM DATES

#### **SPRING 2016 TERM**

Application Deadline	October 1, 2015
Entry Date	January 8, 2016

#### **SUMMER 2016 TERM**

Application Deadline	March 15, 2015
Entry Date	May 23, 2016

#### **FALL 2016 TERM**

Application Deadline	April 30, 2016
Entry Date	August 28, 2016



#### **ACADEMICS**

The **General Studies Program** is based on a traditional liberal arts curriculum with two components: an Italian language and culture course and a selection of elective courses in English. All students are required to study Italian language for a total of four to six credits. The majority of courses include field trips as part of the curriculum. Umbra offers courses in majors that may have a hard time finding applicable courses abroad: Business & Marketing, Creative Writing, Education, Psychology, Sustainability, and more.

The **Direct Enrollment Program** offers students the unique opportunity to experience Italian university life as a local alongside Italian and international students at the University for Foreigners (Università per Stranieri) or the University of Perugia (Università degli Studi di Perugia). At the University for Foreigners, students of all levels of language proficiency focus exclusively on Italian language and culture and study. Students enrolled in the University of Perugia begin the semester with an intensive, one-month Italian language course prior to beginning their two elective courses.

The **Food & Sustainability Studies Program** is an interdisciplinary curricular concentration within the General Studies Program that has three interdisciplinary food courses – Italian food history, sustainable food production, the business of food as well as an Italian class. There is also the possibility of a summer internship in an Umbrian wine company.

During the summer, students can choose from the **General Studies Summer Program** which offers students the opportunity to choose one or two courses from a diverse list of offerings; the **Intensive Italian through Culture Program**, a six-week intensive language course; and the **Summer Archaeology Field School** which provides a curricular concentration in Archaeology and History based in nearby Castiglione del Lago on the shores of Lake Trasimeno.

#### STUDENT SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Services offered include state-of-the-art facilities; private airport pick-up in Rome and transfer to Perugia; two-day orientation in Perugia including a practical city walking tour; mandatory Italian language courses to learn practical skills to communicate with locals; a variety of extracurricular activities (pizza-making workshop, sports with Italian university students, etc.); monthly newsletters, and wifi in all student apartments. Students are offered a wide variety of cultural workshops to participate in each semester. Each workshop introduces a different aspect of Italian culture. Students are also invited to several practical workshops during the semester to help guide them with useful information on travel in Italy and Europe, presentation skills, reentry into the US, and more.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

The Umbra Institute provides housing for students in the historic center of Perugia. These apartments are within close proximity of the Umbra Institute's facilities and other local resources, such as pharmacies, banks, supermarkets, and the post office. Though student apartments vary, each is fully furnished with kitchen and bathroom facilities. Bedrooms will either be singles or have two beds per bedroom and shared closet space. Students are informed of housing procedures and assistance during orientation. The Umbra Institute housing staff will assist with everyday concerns as they may arise, such as lack of hot water, broken appliances, or other housing needs.

#### **ESTIMATED COSTS**

	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL
	2016	2016	2016
Tuition &	\$12,460-	\$3,980-	\$12,460-
Fees	13,710	4,780	13,710
Housing	Included	Included	Included
Additional Expenses	\$4,000	\$1,500	\$4,000
Approx.	\$16,460-	\$5,480-	\$16,460-
Total	17,710	6,280	17,710

These prices are an estimate and are subject to change. Tuition and housing shall be paid directly to The Umbra Institute. "Additional expenses" is an estimate for meals, health insurance, entertainment, transportation, and personal allowance. Airfare is not included in either the additional expenses or total estimated cost of the program.

Students are responsible for all other expenses such as airfare, transportation, visa fees, books, and personal allowance. Chatham is committed to being as transparent as possible with respect to our study abroad financial arrangements. Financial transactions and business dealings are fully disclosed. Foreign currencies can be converted at www.xe.com/currencyconverter/

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

More information about the program can be obtained from the Office of International Affairs.



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