

SCSU Office of International Education

Faculty-Led Program Abroad Application

TUSCANY

July 1 - August 1, 2022

Deadline to Apply: March 15

Please return this completed application to the Office of International Education at Southern CT State University, Engleman Hall Room A-220, 501 Crescent Street, New Haven, CT 06515 with your \$1100.00 deposit** (check payable to "SCSU").

****A deposit is NOT a guarantee of acceptance. All decisions regarding admissions are made by the Program Directors. Deposits will be refunded in full if this application is rejected by the program Director.**

Essential Eligibility Criteria

Participants must:

- *Be 18 years of age or older.*
 - *Be able to manage all personal care and mobility independently.*
 - *Be able to get in and out vans, buses, trains, planes, etc. independently or with moderately assistance of group members.*
 - *Be responsible for their own health and overall well-being.*
 - *Be able to comprehend and follow instructions.*
 - *Be willing to work together with group members and assist others if necessary.*
 - *Be able to think quickly and to make decisions in case of unexpected circumstances.*
 - *Be willing to appreciate and learn from another culture.*
 - *Be open to experience aspects of a culture other than their own.*
 - *Be respectful of others and in general be a good global citizen.*
- Be able to provide proof of full vaccination against COVID-19, including all booster shots*

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full legal name (**as it appears on your passport**):

(First) (Middle) (Last)

DOB (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Current University: _____

Student ID Number: _____ Major(s)/Minor(s): _____

Are you a tuition waiver recipient? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Anticipated Date of Graduation (mm/yyyy): _____ Current GPA: _____

**Deposit may be made by check (payable to "SCSU") or online in the TouchNet store at the following website:

https://secure.touchnet.net/C21400_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=9&SINGLESTORE=true. OIE staff would be happy to assist you with the online deposit (visit us in EN A-220).

Enrollment Status: ☐ Full-time ☐ Part-time ☐ Freshman ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Languages spoken: _____ Proficiency: _____

Languages read: _____ Proficiency: _____

Courses previously taken in Italian:

Course: _____ Grade: _____ Course: _____ Grade: _____

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Passport:

☐ I have a valid U.S. Passport that will not expire before the trip ends. ☐ I have applied for a U.S. Passport.

☐ I have a valid Passport from another country (specify _____).

COURSE INFORMATION

Students must register for **one** of the following courses but are encouraged to register in both:

_____ **ITA 270: Italian Cities** (3 credits)

_____ **ART 398: The Photographic Travel Journal** (3 credits)

Students *can* register for **one** of the following RECOMMENDED courses in Italian:

_____ **ITA 100** – Italian I

_____ **ITA 101** – Italian II

_____ **ITA 200** – or any other

_____ courses in **ITA** as needed

****Students who chose to register for a RECOMMENDED course in Italian must submit an additional payment to the OIE. These 3 credits will count towards the SCSU language requirement. Students interested in enrolling in this optional 3-credit language course will be required to submit an additional fee of \$926.00 to the Office of International Education by May 5, 2022.**

REFERENCE

Please list one (1) reference that the Program Director may contact. This person must be either a professor or previous or current employer.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone(s): _____ E-mail: _____

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS

A limited number of scholarships are available for participants in this course abroad program. To be considered eligible for a summer program scholarship, applicants must submit a scholarship essay (see below). Applicants must also submit a copy of their unofficial transcript and be a matriculated full-time student.

Select one of the following three essay questions and submit a 350 to 500-word essay:

1. In what way will studying abroad enrich you as a person and enhance your personal goals in life?
2. Aside from the credits you will earn, why is studying abroad in this program an exciting opportunity for you?
3. What do you think will be the biggest challenge you will experience while abroad? How will you overcome this challenge?

☐ I have included a copy of my unofficial transcript

PROGRAM FEES

Program Fee: \$3600.00

Deposit: \$1100.00

Second Payment: \$1,300.00

Final Payment: \$1,200.00

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Due: with this application*

Due: April 30

Due: June 1

Program Fee Includes:

- Airfare and transportation in Italy
- Round-trip domestic transportation from SCSU to the airport
- Lodging, 3 group dinners and 1 group breakfast
- Day trips to Siena
- Florence and the Chiusi Etruscan Underground City
- Entrance to all cultural activities sponsored by the program

Program Fee Does Not Include:

SCSU tuition and summer registration fee (3 cr.- \$1,836.00 or 6 cr.- \$3,672.00), 3 credits tuition at Montepulciano for those students enrolling in the optional 3-credit language course (\$926.00 payable to the OIE), personal meals and expenses, touring, books, laundry, snacks, medical and living expenses, or any additional expenses that alter the itinerary or arrangements. The program fee **does include** the cost of CISI insurance—a stand-alone insurance policy that provides comprehensive medical coverage internationally and meets the University's minimum requirements for emergency medical evacuation and repatriation coverage required for all students studying abroad. For more information about CISI insurance, please visit the Office of International Education or call (203) 392-6756 to schedule an appointment.

Total cost of 3 cr. program: \$5,436.00 (+\$926.00 if registering in optional language course)

Total cost of 6 cr. program: \$7,272.00 (+\$926.00 if registering in optional language course)

For students who are eligible, financial aid can be applied to the overall cost of the program.

For information regarding financial aid, please contact The Office of Financial Aid at (203) 392-5222 or financialaid@southernct.edu.

STUDENT BUDGET

To ensure that you have thoroughly considered the financial obligations you will incur by registering for this course abroad, please complete the worksheet below:

Program Fee: \$ _____

*Tuition & Fees: \$ _____

Personal Costs: \$ _____ (laundry, souvenirs, free time, etc.)

Total Costs: \$ _____

*Please note: all students participating in the SCSU Summer Course Abroad to Tuscany are **required** to enroll in a minimum of 3 credits as directed by the program leaders. Students should register for the courses via their MySCSU account and submit all payments directly to the Student Accounts Office. The OIE will not accept any payments for tuition expenses.

☐ Student Loan: \$ _____

☐ Credit Card: \$ _____

☐ Family Contribution: \$ _____

☐ Other _____: \$ _____

Total Costs: \$ _____
(must be equal to or greater than the total in the worksheet above)

ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

If accepted for enrollment in a Summer Abroad Program, the student is responsible for registering in the related course and paying associated SCSU tuition and fees for the number of credits required by the program. Payment for tuition and fees must be made through the Office of the Bursar or BannerWeb. By signing, the student assumes responsibility for managing his or her finances to account for payment of tuition and fees in addition to the Program Cost (detailed in both the brochure and the application).

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

MANDATORY HEALTH AND SAFETY AGREEMENT SESSION

In accordance with SCSU-OIE policy, all Study Abroad Participants are required to participate in a Mandatory Health and Safety Agreement Session prior to departure. Sessions will cover all insurance, health, risk, and liability issues associated with Education Abroad. The H&S Agreement Session will take between 30-60 minutes, and encompass all aspects of the Health and Safety Agreement process, including Medical Self-Assessment. Students who do not complete the session will not be permitted to travel. **Students will need to register for one H&S Agreement session specific to their program (Italy). All sessions will take place at least 30 days prior to departure.**

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CANCELLATION POLICY

Currently, all courses abroad for the academic year are expected to operate. Southern Connecticut State University's Office of International Education (SCSU-OIE) will monitor world events and make any change to this decision on an individual course basis any time between now and the departure dates.

If Southern Connecticut State University cancels an off-campus course, students will be refunded their deposits and all monies the university is *able* to recover from program providers. The SCSU-OIE office will negotiate with providers for the refunds.

If a student withdraws from an off-campus course at any time between now and the departure date, the student will forfeit his/her deposit but will be refunded all other recoverable amounts. In the event the price of the trip rises more than 20%, the student may withdraw and receive both recoverable funds and deposit.

Students who must cancel their participation in a course abroad program must do so in writing to Dr. Erin Heidkamp, Director of the Office of International Education.

The Office of International Education will work to delay payment to providers on costs for course abroad programs as long as possible and request clearly-stated refund policies from all providers for all programs prior to payments. Students who wish to purchase cancellation insurance should contact their insurance provider.

If Southern Connecticut State University cancels an off-campus course, the staff of SCSU-OIE will work with individual course abroad faculty members in adapting their course, when possible, for the Southern Connecticut State University campus. This is understood to be an emergency procedure in place as a result of unusual or unforeseen world events. If an off-campus course cannot be adapted to the on-campus setting, the faculty member will work to develop an alternative on-campus course for the students enrolled. If this is possible, efforts will be made to enroll students in existing on-campus courses.

I have read and understood the information provided to me above regarding Southern Connecticut State University's Office of International Education cancellation policy, program costs, and due dates.

Student Name (*print clearly*): _____ Student ID number: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

"AGREEMENT: "I certify that the information submitted on this application is correct. I agree to be subject to the academic and financial policies of SCSU. I am in good academic and disciplinary standing at my home college/university and agree to notify SCSU if my status changes. I have read the SCSU Summer Program in Spain brochure, understand the policies therein, and realize that they are binding."

"I consent to allowing my photograph to be used in promotional material for the SCSU Summer Program in Tuscany in the future."

Signature: _____ Date: _____