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The Florida State University

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International Educational Services Provider

We can create the perfect study abroad experience for you …
With over 50 years experience, plus fully-staffed study centers in Italy, England, Spain, and Panama, we are making it easier than ever for you to provide your students with a customized study abroad program that is branded with your institution’s name.

Our exceptional faculty, first-rate secured facilities, planned activities and excursions, student supervision and guidance, and administrative support are now all available to you.

Choose the services you’ll need, as well as when and where. Together, we can meet all your study abroad requirements.
Your Resource Options:

- Program developed and branded for your university
- Academic Courses - either Florida State or home institution credit available
- Classroom Facilities - including access to computer labs and wireless internet
- Student Housing and Pastoral Care
- Faculty Housing and Office Space
- Excursions and Cultural Activities
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Our staff, both in Tallahassee and abroad, is eager to join you in providing your students with a once-in-a-lifetime learning experience under your university’s name and reflecting your personal style.

“Our students benefited enormously from their time at the Florida State London Centre. Facilities and accommodations are of a very high standard and the support we received from faculty, staff and student counselors was excellent. A great collaborative experience for us and one we intend to continue.”

- Charmian Hoare, Co-ordinator Penn State University MFA summer program 2010
Our Faculty

"The International Programs experience is outstanding for several reasons. Classes are small, providing a lot of one-on-one interaction between students and the instructors. Study centers are in the epi-center of the best cities in the world, allowing them to serve as our textbooks. AND, faculty are there because they love to teach. This combination cannot be beat for providing a superb study abroad experience. Florida State does many things well – with our study abroad programs being second to none."

Florida State’s International Programs faculty are respected around the world and embrace this opportunity to bring learning to life in a way no campus situation can equal. As they repeatedly return to our foreign locations, they become more familiar with those areas, knowing the best places to go, the best times to be there, and the best ways to get to those spots while keeping their group together and academically engaged. They have also developed strong rapports with local experts in their fields - creating opportunities for guest speakers and demonstrations which further enhance student learning experiences.

*Our prestigious faculty includes well-published authors, world-renowned actors and musical performers, and scholars who have presented nationally and internationally in their various areas of expertise. Awards and titles received by members of our faculty: Distinguished Research Professors, Distinguished Teachers, President and Provost’s Named Professorships, Poet Laureate, and the Robert O. Lawton Distinguished Professors award.

Opportunities for Excursions

Group trips, coordinated and led by our staff, provide opportunities to further enhance your students’ time abroad. These chaperoned adventures allow for exploring beyond your study center’s home base – discovering other regions, historic sites, famous cities, and even different countries in some cases. All excursions are within a convenient traveling distance and usually one to three days long.
Our Study Centers

Our four year-round study centers are a defining feature of The Florida State University’s International Programs. Each of our four centers offers residential and academic resources that include classrooms, libraries, computer labs, and comfortable living accommodations. Each facility is exquisite and unique, headed by study center directors who are native to the country, establish one-on-one relationships with their students, and are supported by staff whose top priority is to provide a secure and nurturing learning atmosphere.

Sue Capitani is a graduate of The University of Florida and holds a Master’s degree from The Florida State University. Sue met her husband while on our Florence Program and has lived in Italy with her husband for thirty-four years.

Kathleen Paul is a British citizen, a former faculty member of The University of South Florida, holds a Ph.D. in history, and teaches history at our London Centre.

Carlos Langoni, the campus rector, has lived in Panama for over twenty years, holds a Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering from Texas A&M, and teaches Math at the Panama Center.

Ignacio Messana, a native of Spain, holds an MBA while in the dissertation stage of his doctoral studies and teaches Business at the Spain center.

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The Florida State London Study Centre, housed in a row of 17th-century homes registered on the English National Heritage list, is truly a state-of-the-art educational and living facility. Students are based in the heart of the Bloomsbury district, one block from the British Museum and minutes from the theatre district, the National Gallery, plus countless other landmarks and events in this world capital. Short walks and easy access to city buses and the tube enable students to safely explore this fascinating city while enjoying off-site lectures, organized trips, and personal explorations.

London Excursion Opportunities can include day trips to Stonehenge, Brighton, Stratford-upon-Avon, Bath, Wales, and Oxford as well as overnight trips to Paris and UK destinations such as Cornwall, Edinburgh, or Liverpool.
Florence Excursion Opportunities can include day trips to Ravenna, Siena, San Gimignano, Pienza and Volterra. Overnight weekend trips provide the opportunity to visit cities such as Venice and Rome.

Our Florence Study Center is one of the few U.S. study abroad programs located right in the heart of this remarkable city. Housed in the 15th-century Alessandri Palace, the Center is a short stroll from the marbled Duomo, the Ponte Vecchio, and the world-renowned Uffizi Gallery. Although surrounded by these centuries old historic sites, the Study Center classrooms, library, computer lab and student lounge are all well equipped with modern comforts. Students and faculty also use it as a gathering place for both study and social activities. In addition, students interact with faculty and staff during program-coordinated group trips and social events such as group dinners.
This campus provides all the facilities and services of a small college. Located in Panama’s City of Knowledge, it is right in the heart of an international complex for education, research, and innovation. Facilities include the largest English-language library in Panama, academic counseling, computer labs, a gymnasium, an auditorium, comfortable housing, a nice selection of small restaurants, and a convenience store.

For over 50 years, the Panama Campus has served thousands of students seeking associate and bachelor’s degrees. Here International Programs students join the Florida State Panama student body, comprised of students from Panama and 18 other nationalities pursuing one of six bachelor’s degrees, or completing the required Florida State Liberal Studies courses.

Panama Excursion Opportunities can include trips to visit the Panama Canal, Colonial Panama, the San Blas Islands (home to the Kuna Indians) in the Caribbean Sea, the indigenous communities of the Embera Indians, coffee plantations, and tropical rain forests.
The Valencia Study Center is housed in two historic buildings in the center of Valencia, just behind the landmark Serrano Towers. The Center contains part of the original Roman city wall, as well as a portion of a thousand-year-old Arabic wall, and several 14th-century tanning tanks. Accommodations in these historic buildings complement the beauty of the past while still very modern and featuring the latest technology.

Studying in Valencia allows students to enjoy the rich culture of an ancient city, the ultra modernity of the new City of the Arts and Sciences, and the beautiful Mediterranean beaches – in addition to the many academic resources and cultural attractions of Spain’s third largest city.

Valencia Excursion Opportunities can include trips to the ancient Roman city of Sagunto, Andalucia, Madrid and/or Barcelona, the Pyrenees Mountains, castle towns such as Xátiva, and sailing adventures.
“The administrative, teaching, and living facilities at Florida State’s Valencia Study Center have to be some of the most impressive in the world. Where else can one live and take classes surrounded by ancient Roman and Arabic walls and artifacts? The Center’s staff was just as impressive as the facility – taking care of everything from providing a security access card and access to the computer network, to helping me arrange class speakers and field trips, and even arranging for a visit to an English-speaking medical doctor. My students and I were made to feel like members of a large family whose main concern was our having the best experience possible. The program was a huge success, and I look forward to more successful trips in the future with assistance from International Programs at Florida State University.”

- Dr. Jeffrey W. Overby
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