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Italy- Tones of Florence: Vocalissimo



Spring Break Term

Application Deadline:

November 14

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Program Dates: March 13 – 22, 2015

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This program's destination is Florence, Italy, capital city of the Italian region of Tuscany. The city lies on the River Arno and is known for its history and importance in the Middle Ages and Benaissance. It is known as the "cradle of the Renaissance", especially for its monuments, churches, and buildings. In 1982 it was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Florence is said to have a Mediterranean climate. The city center is surrounded by medieval walls from the 14th century that were built to defend the city after it became an economic center. Approximately 696,800 people live in Florence and surrounding areas. Tourism and Italian fashion are the most significant industries within Florence. It is also one of the prolific wine-growing regions in the world aside from being a center of art, literature, and music. This travel course is carefully planned with the help of the Del Bianco Foundation, a non-profit organization that UWGB has had a relationship with since 2002.

Program Design

This travel course is organized as a workshop to bring students and faculty together from different parts of the world to have an educational experience in the international and intercultural environment of Florence, Italy. Two tracks will be offered for this course:

Track 1: Students will have the opportunity to prepare, memorize, and perform vocal literature of their special interest taught by specialists in that area. Offerings will be American art song repertoire, musical theatre repertoire, Brazilian art songs, and early Italian songs. This will culminate in a public performance at the end of the week in the Duomo Auditorium, in the heart of Florence.

There will also be an option to take applied voice lessons by not participate in the final concert.

Track 2: Students will choose to study the Italian language more intensely and investigate and explore the Florentine culture through additional museum and historical site visits. Work will culminate in a 5 page paper describing their experience in Florence and how it changed their life.

Eligibility and Language Requirement

Interested students may apply online at: www.uwgb.edu/international/studybroad and clicking "Destinations". There is no foreign language requirement for this program.

- If applying for Track 1, it is mandatory to read music, match pitches, and preferably take Music Applied 045 or a semester of Applied Voice/Musical Theatre Voice.
- Demonstrate personal maturity, motivation, flexibility and appreciation of other cultures.

Cost: Approximately \$TBD

Price based on a minimum enrollment of 10 students. Includes round trip airfare from Milwaukee/Chicago, some in-country transportation, lodging, meal allowance, entrance fees, UW System mandatory health/travel insurance, and cost of instruction for three credits.

Transportation for those coming from Green Bay can be arranged at an additional cost.

*UW-Green Bay pays travel expenses in the currencies of the countries in which students study. Fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar may impact the final program cost. Due to fluctuations in exchange rates and airline prices, the Office of International Education reserves the right to cancel, surcharge or alter the itinerary of the program. In recent years the dollar has continually lost strength. **There is a \$100 surcharge for nonresidents of the state of Wisconsin.



