PERUGIA, ITALY

A GVSU PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



University for Foreigners and University of Perugia

OPEN TO ALL MAJORS—COURSEWORK IN ITALIAN AND THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

TELL ME ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

This program is located in Perugia, which is Grand Rapids' sister city, and one of the most beautiful and historic cities in all of Italy. Perugia, the capital of Umbria, is located in central Italy, about halfway between Florence and Rome. It is a lively town and the home to two major universities. In the summer, students will attend the national University for Foreigners, where they will study Italian language and culture. During the fall semester, students will take courses taught in Italian with Italian students at the University of Perugia, one of Europe's oldest universities (founded in 1308!). Course offerings at the University of Perugia include the following subjects: law, international relations, political science, communications, social work, economics, history, sociology, anthropology, demography, statistics, and research methods. The Perugia program requires students to attend both partner universities, for the full duration of the program, which is normally June through mid-December.

For additional information about the University for Foreigners, visit: www.unistrapg.it/english For additional information about the University of Perugia, visit: www.unipg.it/comunica/guide/frame1.html

WHEN CAN I GO?

Part I Spring/Summer session at University for Foreigners (Italian language courses)

June & July (required)

August (if needed)

Part II Fall session at the University of Perugia (content courses taught in Italian) September—December

Students are required to participate in both Part I and Part II of this program. Students may have a break from early August—mid-September depending on whether or not the 3rd month of Italian language is needed. If a student takes the 3rd month of Italian language, there will be a short break from the beginning of September until mid-September.

WHERE WILL I LIVE?

Students will have several options, including dormitories, apartments, and family residences.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

Students must be degree-seeking and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 at the time of application. All applicants must have completed at least 1 year at GVSU prior to participation in the program. Additionally, applicants must have completed the equivalent of four semesters of Italian language prior to participation in the program.

HOW DO I APPLY?

To apply for this program, log on to www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad to begin your online application.

DEADLINES:

Summer/Fall 2009 January 15, 2009 Summer/Fall 2010 January 15, 2010

Padnos International Center

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WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

Summer Semester at the University for Foreigners

GVSU Tuition (9 credits) \$3,357* Books and supplies \$200

Meals \$900 (2 mos.) Housing (off-campus apt) \$800 (2 mos.) \$1,350 (3 mos.) \$1,200 (3 mos.)

Airfare (r/t) \$1,200 Misc. living expenses \$500 Passport/Visa/Int'I ID \$125 Health insurance (if not covered) \$300

Total projected cost \$7,382 to 8,232**

Fall Semester at the University of Perugia

GVSU Tuition \$4,302* Books & Supplies \$400

Meals \$1,800 Housing \$1,600

Misc. Living Expenses \$1,000 Health Insurance (if not covered) \$300

Total projected cost \$9,402**

FINANCIAL AID

Many types of financial aid, such as loans, grants and scholarships, are available to GVSU students and can be used for meeting the cost of this program. All GVSU students in good academic standing are eligible to apply for loans. International Relations majors and minors are eligible to apply for a \$500 scholarship to study in Perugia; two scholarships will be offered in 2009-2010. Early application for financial aid is strongly recommended.

WHO CAN TELL ME MORE?

Visit the Padnos International Center at 130 Lake Ontario Hall Monday through Friday from 8am - 5pm and Wednesday until 8pm for more information.

Academic questions: John Constantelos, Department of Political Science, constanj@gvsu.edu

Application & financial matters: Rebecca Hambleton, Padnos International Center, hambletr@gvsu.edu

WHAT CREDITS WILL I RECEIVE?

Students interested in this program will be required to secure faculty approval for the courses they wish to take at the University of Foreigners and the University of Perugia. For details on the course options available contact the Department of Political Science or the Padnos International Center.

For a list of courses that have been pre-approved visit the PIC website at www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad. Courses that are not listed on the course equivalency chart will require departmental approval.

The process for securing approval for the courses you wish to take at the host institution is as follows:

- 1) Carefully review the course options available during the semester you plan to study at the host institution.
- 2) Print off the description of the course(s) you are interested on taking at the host institution.
- 3) Arrange to meet with the Chair of the Political Science Department and the Chair of Modern Languages and Literature.
- 4) Present the Study Abroad Credit Form and the host institution course description to the Chairs and ask them to complete the Study Abroad Credit Form indicating the GVSU course equivalency.

If you have questions about this process, contact the Padnos International Center.

^{*}Based on 2008-2009 in-state, upper-division tuition rate.

^{**}The cost of any study abroad program depends to a large extent on the participant's personal spending habits and lifestyle. Personal travel, entertainment, gifts, souvenirs, and other types of personal spending are costs not reflected in the above esti-