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**FIU HONORS COLLEGE**

**ITALY: GRAND TOUR REDUX**

IDH 4007 (Spring) and IDH 4008 (Summer A)

Spring: Fridays 12:30 to 15:15

Summer A in Italy: Every day while abroad

**FACULTY**

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Rome, Pompeii, Florence, Assisi, Pisa, Siena, Cinque Terre, and Venice – an Honors College seminar taught on location in the most historic and magical destinations in Italy. Grand Tour Redux is built on the premise that understanding our past enables us to understand ourselves. This interdisciplinary course examines the cultural legacy of classical antiquity and the Renaissance and the influence of these eras on the contemporary world. The seminar reconstructs the traditional 18th century Grand Tour.

Students can reflect on the contemporary and personal relevance of Italian culture in a 21st century world. Do Roman republican morals guide US civic principles? Do Renaissance notions of individual autonomy define our own? Does Venetian capitalism serve as a model for US business practices? Students walk in the steps of Julius Caesar in the Roman Forum, witness the catastrophic consequences of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, visualize Michelangelo painting the Sistine Chapel, visit the architectural marvels of Florence, and cross the Bridge of Sighs in Venice. The course recreates history through telling the story of individuals and relating those stories to our own times. Be there to meet Julius Caesar, Augustus, Hadrian, St. Peter, Marco Polo, Dante, Lorenzo de Medici, Michelangelo, Machiavelli, Galileo, and Gentilleschi. Housed primarily in apartments, students have the experience of living in Italy. “All paths lead to Rome,” or do they?

**NOTE: Course content features sexually explicit and/or violent artworks and texts. In addition, many Miami class meetings are off campus; students must provide their own transportation.**

**DATA REQUIREMENT**

All students are required to have unlimited data for their phones when the group is in Europe. Students can either have an international plan or buy a phone or sim card in Spain. This is matter of safety and efficiency.

**REQUIRED TEXTS & FILMS**

The following required text course materials may be purchased in either print or e-book format. Films are available at either FIU Libraries or Miami-Dade County Public Libraries.

**Texts**

- Dan Brown. *Inferno*. New York. Doubleday, 2013. ISBN: 9780385537858

- Dante, Alighieri. *The Divine Comedy I, Inferno*. London: Penguin, 2006. ISBN 9780140448955
- King, Ross. *Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture*. New York, NY: Penguin, 2001. Print. ISBN: 9780142000151
- Machiavelli, Niccolo. *The Prince*. London: Penguin, 2003. Print. ISBN 9780140449150
- Shakespeare, William, and William Montgomery. *Julius Caesar*. New York: Penguin, 2000. Print. ISBN: 9780140714685

### **Films**

- *Angels & Demons*. Ron Howard. Sony Pictures Entertainment, 2009. Film.
- *Artemisia*. Agnès Merlet. Miramax Zoë, 1997. Film.
- *Gladiator*. Ridley Scott. Universal, 2000. Film.
- "Rome, Episodes 1-12, Season 1." *Rome*. Heller, Bruno, John Milius, and William J. MacDonald. HBO. 2005. Television.

### **COURSE CALENDAR**

Course Calendar is online. Students will be provided with a link to calendar.

### **MIAMI AS TEXT**

The core component of this seminar is individual reflections entitled Miami as Text (MAT). Reflections adhere to a standard format, comprised of original photos and text.

### **GRADING RUBRIC**

Each student accrues points over the length of the semester. The final semester point total equals a letter grade based the official FIU grade scale (Note: Please disregard the FIU Canvas percentage).

### **Spring**

Class Participation: 10 points  
 Italia America Project: 20 points  
 Deering as Text: 5 points  
 Downtown Miami as Text: 5 points  
 South Beach as Text: 5 points  
 Vizcaya as Text: 5 points  
 Angels and Demons: 5 points  
 Brown Inferno quiz: 5 points  
 Brunelleschi's Dome quiz: 5 points  
 Dante Inferno quiz: 5 points  
 Deering Estate quiz: 5 points  
 HBO Rome 1-6 quiz: 5 points  
 HBO Rome 7-12 quiz: 5 points  
 Julius Caesar quiz: 5 point  
 Prince quiz: 5 points  
 Vizcaya Museum & Gardens quiz: 5 points

### **Summer**

Grand Tour Project: 20 points

Assisi or Tivoli as Text: 5 points  
Firenze as Text: 5 points  
Pisa or Siena as Text: 5 points  
Pompeii as Text: 5 points  
Roma as Text: 5 points  
Venezia as Text: 5 points  
Classical Rome 1 quiz: 5 points  
Classical Rome 2 quiz: 5 points  
Catholic Rome quiz: 5 points  
Cinque Terre quiz: 5 points  
Florence 1 quiz: 5 points  
Florence 2 quiz: 5 points  
Pompeii quiz: 5 points  
Siena and Pisa quiz: 5 points  
Venice 1 quiz: 5 points  
Venice 2 quiz: 5 points

### **Quizzes**

Quizzes are multiple choice and are only to be taken in class. Under no circumstances are students to share information about the quiz once the quiz has begun. Professor Bailly administers nearly fifty quizzes a semester. To economize time, all quizzes remain open the duration of the semester, but students are only to take the quizzes in the designated time. Students that take a quiz outside of the designated time will automatically be assigned a "0."

### **Class Participation Criteria**

Class participation is a critical component of this course. This does not mean simply speaking in class, although that is essential. Students should participate by actively following discussions and contributing to the semester-long conversation.

1. Professional behavior and active participation (questions and comments) when we have guest speakers.
2. Adherence to Guidelines for Class Communication.
3. Participation in class discussions.
4. Attendance to class and class excursions.
5. Preparation for class (have materials and complete readings).
6. Concentration in class (no texting, no sleeping, and so forth).
7. Posting of comments on this website on webpages that are visible to institutions (Maison d'Izieu, Margulies, Vizcaya, etc.).
8. Prompt submission of required information and documents to the Honors College and the Office of Study Abroad.

### **Final grade/total points equivalency**

100.0 – 93.00: A  
92.99 – 90.00: A-  
89.99 – 87.00: B+  
86.99 – 83.00: B

82.99 – 80.00: B-  
79.99 – 77.00: C+  
76.99 – 70.00: C  
69.99 – 65.00: D  
64.99 – 00.00: F

See project points equivalency on this page.

### **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Each student is allowed one absence per semester. Every absence in excess of this will drop the student's final semester grade by one full letter grade. Three or more absences will result in an "F" for the semester. Attendance is documented by "Selfie Attendance" in a WhatsApp group. For instructions on Selfie Attendance please review this page.

If a student misses class, it is that student's responsibility to find out what was covered by contacting another student.

### **BAILLY MESSAGE TO STUDENTS AND CONTRACT/ESSAY MILL WRITERS**

The FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code define plagiarism as "The deliberate use and appropriation of another's work without any indication of the source and the representation of such work as the Student's own." Submitting the work of someone else as your own work is plagiarism. This is a serious instance of Academic Misconduct by the student. In Florida, Essay Mill/Contract Cheating sellers are in violation of Florida Statute 877.17: "It shall be unlawful for any person or business entity to sell, offer to sell, or advertise for sale any term paper, thesis, dissertation, essay, or report"

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### **Religious Observances**

Every effort will be made, where feasible and practical, to accommodate students whose religious practices coincide with class requirements or scheduling. Please make sure to notify your instructor at the beginning of the semester of which dates you will be absent or any anticipated problems with completing course work.

### **Physical, Mental and Sensory Challenges**

The Disability Resource Center collaborates with students, faculty, staff, and community members to create diverse learning environments that are usable, equitable, inclusive and sustainable. The DRC provides FIU students with disabilities the necessary support to successfully complete their education and participate in activities available to all students. If you have a diagnosed disability and plan to utilize academic accommodations, please contact the DRC at 305-348-3532 (MMC) or at 305-919-5345 (BBC) to schedule an appointment. You can also visit them in person in GC 190 at MMC or in WUC 131 at BBC campus.

### **Honors College Policies and Requirements**

#### **Academic Misconduct Procedures and Policies**

In The Honors College, the term “honor” refers both to academic accomplishment and character. Students in Honors should therefore adhere to and be held to the highest standards of personal academic accountability. Academic dishonesty in any form, including plagiarism, is antithetical to the very definition of being an Honors student at FIU. Consequently, an Honors College student found responsible for academic misconduct will be dismissed from the College.

An Honors faculty member may bring charges of academic misconduct against an Honors student if the faculty member suspects plagiarism or other forms of academic misconduct. The faculty member will decide whether to pursue informal resolution, file formal resolution charges, or take no further action, and will follow the procedures outlined in the Academic Misconduct Procedures available at <https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/get-support/student-conduct-and-academic-integrity/academic-integrity/index.php> . Please refer to the following documents for additional information:

FIU Student Handbook: <https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/about/student-handbook/index.php>

### **Student Portfolios**

The Honors College will be using a portfolio method to assess students’ learning outcomes. The portfolio allows for maximum flexibility in gauging student learning. Students decide (with instructor consultation) what “artifacts” or assignments to include for consideration in their portfolios to demonstrate successful achievement of each of five key student learning outcomes over the 4-year Honors experience. Portfolios provide a rich context for students to show what they have learned and to explain their learning process. Because the Honors curriculum is meant to be thought-provoking and reflective, student self-assessment through portfolios will facilitate learning and provide in-depth assessment. Each Honors College course includes at least one assignment that could potentially fit portfolio requirements. <http://honors.fiu.edu/current-students/portfolio/>

### **Honors Engagement**

Requirements Honors College students are required to accumulate at least 20 engagement points each academic year (Fall and Spring) by attending Honors College activities. Students attending only one semester (Fall or Spring) are required to accumulate 10 engagement points. Each activity has a point value. Students may select which events and activities they want to attend. The new system is designed to be more flexible for students, offering events at various days and times (including some weekend events) and allowing for a variety of ways to meet the requirements. Please plan accordingly. <http://honors.fiu.edu/current-students/citizenship/>

### **Community Service**

Honors College students must also complete 20 volunteer service hours. These hours DO NOT count toward the 20 engagement points discussed above. <http://honors.fiu.edu/current-students/community-service/>

### **Honors Education in the Arts (HEARTS)**

The HEARTS program is designed to give Honors College students opportunities to “explore and appreciate different artistic and cultural traditions and modes of artistic expression. HEARTS will also serve as a clearinghouse (and curatorial framework) for our students to experience the arts on campus

and in the community by providing them with information about cultural activities and access to performances with free or discounted tickets. <http://honors.fiu.edu/current-students/hearts/>

### **Resources:**

#### **Panthers Care & Counseling & Psychological Services**

If you are looking for help for yourself or a fellow classmate, Panthers Care encourages you to express any concerns you may come across as it relates to any personal behavior concerns or worries you have, for the classmate's well-being or yours; you are encouraged to share your concerns with FIU's Panthers Care website.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) offers free and confidential help for anxiety, depression, stress, and other concerns that life brings. Learn more about CAPS at [caps.fiu.edu](http://caps.fiu.edu). Professional counselors are available for same-day appointments. Don't wait to call 305-348-2277 to set up a time to talk or visit the online self-help portal.

## **FROM FIU HONORS COLLEGE 19 JULY 2022**

**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

**HONORS COLLEGE**

**2023 STUDY ABROAD RULES**

By [registering to study abroad](#), students commit to making their payments on time, to complying with the requirements on time, and to remaining with the program. Refunds are not awarded, and switching programs is not allowed.

**Note:** - IDH 4007 is the pre-travel class on campus; IDH 4008 is the class abroad.  
- Deadline dates that fall on weekends and/or holidays are **NOT** moved to the next business date.

#### **Documentation:**

Before securing their spot, students must (1) complete, initialize, and sign the [Honors Study Abroad Contract](#), (2) apply online at [abroad.fiu.edu](http://abroad.fiu.edu), and (3) apply online at <https://honors.fiu.edu/studyabroad/applications/>. Their documentation will be subject to approval.

Students must upload ALL Office of Education Abroad (OEA) required documentation to [abroad.fiu.edu](http://abroad.fiu.edu) by **NOVEMBER 18, 2022, 11:59PM**. Students who fail to comply by then will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4007 and/or IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed

The documentation required by OEA includes the Medical Form, copy of valid passport, [Course Registration Form](#), and four questionnaires: 1) personal information form, 2) emergency contact form, 3) special needs form, and 4) financial information form.

The Medical Form is valid for only one year as of the date it is signed by a physician licensed in the United States and cannot expire before the end of the program.

**Students are strongly encouraged to review vaccination requirements, including against COVID-19, for countries they plan to visit. Failure to abide by vaccination requirements may prevent a student from entering a country and continuing participation in the Study Abroad program, in which case, refunds will NOT be awarded. FIU provides many vaccinations, including against COVID-19, for students on campus. (Read this: [U.S. Citizens, U.S. Nationals, U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents, and Immigrants: Travel to and from the United States | CDC](#))**

Passport must remain valid for at least 6 months after the last day of the program.

Should the student not have a valid passport by the deadline mentioned above, they must instead submit proof that the passport application/renewal process has been initiated and must replace it with a copy of their actual passport no later than **APRIL 14, 2023**. Students who fail to comply by then will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed

**ONLY FOR STUDENTS WHO SECURE THEIR SPOT ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 14, 2022:**

The deadline to upload the required documentation will be extended until **JANUARY 6, 2023, 11:59pm** (before final DROP date). Students who fail to comply by then will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4008 or travel with the program Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students must clear any existing holds by **NOVEMBER 18, 2022, 11:59PM** and again by **MARCH 6, 2023**, and are responsible for ensuring that they have no new holds before being enrolled in both IDH 4007\* and/or IDH 4008\*. Students who fail to comply by the deadlines will not be allowed to participate in the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

\* Students with holds on their account cannot be enrolled for classes.

While taking the IDH 4007 class, students will have to complete the online *mandatory* pre-departure orientation on the study abroad application portal. Students must complete the session and associated quizzes, sign the paperwork, and upload it to their application at the [abroad.fiu.edu](https://abroad.fiu.edu) portal by **MARCH 6, 2023, 11:59pm**.

**Physicality:**

The faculty leader and/or support staff do not administer medical care or provide medication.

Students must be aware that if getting tested for COVID-19 were to be required for flying, they will be expected to limit their exposure once tested. Should they contract COVID-19, they will have to abide by the rules of both the airline and their country of destination. It will be their responsibility to keep themselves healthy and able to participate in their program. Students who are not allowed to go as a result of having exposed themselves, or should their departure get delayed, will be responsible for the extra charges. Refunds will NOT be awarded and posted charges will not be removed.

**Academics:**

In order to participate in an Honors study abroad program, students must *maintain* a minimum cumulative FIU GPA of **3.3**. Students who fail to comply will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4007 and/or IDH 4008. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed

A minimum grade of C in IDH 4007 is required to be enrolled in IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded if the student cannot be enrolled and posted charges will not be removed.

Students must be aware that they can enroll in a maximum of 18 credits per semester. If they want to go above that amount, they must get this [form](#) signed by their major's Dean no later than **DECEMBER 1, 2022, 11:59pm** for Spring 2023 classes and **MARCH 15, 2023, 11:59pm** for Summer 2023 classes and send it to [edabroad@fiu.edu](mailto:edabroad@fiu.edu).

**Behavior:**

Students who have been sanctioned under the FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code (<https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/get-support/student-conduct-and-academic-integrity/student-conduct-and-honor-code/index.php>), which results in loss of privileges, and/or other sanctions that result in the student not being considered to be in good standing with the University (e.g., conduct probation), are not be eligible to participate in IDH 4008 or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students found responsible for an Academic Misconduct Violation will be dismissed from the Honors College upon notification of findings and will not be allowed to participate in, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students studying abroad are expected to represent the Honors College and FIU honorably and maturely. The faculty director and/or staff are authorized to end the program early for students whose behavior becomes disruptive (and/or violates the FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code.)

**Payments:**

Once students apply online, they must secure their spot with the Honors College with a **blank, non-refundable \$500 cashier's check or money order (ONLY,) and all the required documentation.**

Study abroad payments are *non-refundable* and are made in 3 installments. The OEA will post the charges on the student's account approximately 3 weeks before each payment deadline. Once the charges are posted, they cannot be removed.

Students who secure their spot *after* charges for an installment(s) have been posted will have the overdue payments added to the next deadline's charges

Students are responsible to ensure with Student Financials that any payment made towards their study abroad program is indeed applied to that program.

Students who pay their **program fee** through a scholarship or Financial Aid are still responsible for having the payments made on time and in their entirety. Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to contact Financial Aid to ensure compliance. If any delays are foreseen, it is the student's responsibility to notify the Honors College of the situation *before* the deadline. If their aid/scholarship will not cover the full amount due, it is the student's responsibility to pay the remaining balance out of pocket. Students who fail to comply will not be enrolled on the program and will not be allowed to participate in, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Payments must be made no later than the deadline published at <https://honors.fiu.edu/studyabroad/payments> (December 1, 2022, January 3, 2023, and February 1, 2023). If students fail to make them on time, the university will apply a \$100.00 late fee to their account. Late fees cannot be removed.

After each payment deadline there is a one-week grace period, an *extended* deadline, when payments are still accepted. However, the **late fee will still be applied, and students may get a hold on their account\***. If students fail to complete their payment within exactly that *one*-week grace period, and had not notified the Honors College in advance, they will be withdrawn from the program and will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4007 and/or IDH 4008 or travel with the program, depending on the time the payment was missed. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges and late fees will not be removed.

\*Students with holds on their accounts cannot be enrolled for classes.

Students who pay their **program's tuition** through a scholarship or Financial Aid are still responsible for having the payments made on time and in their entirety. Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to contact Financial Aid to ensure compliance. If any delays are foreseen by Financial Aid, it is the student's responsibility to pay the balance out of pocket by **FEB 1, 2023, 11:59pm** for IDH 4007 and by **MARCH 28, 2023, 11:59pm** for IDH 4008. Students who fail to comply will not be allowed to participate in, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students must pay OEA'S \$195 fee by **MARCH 1, 2023, 11:59pm**. If they fail to comply, they will not be allowed to participate. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

FIU and the Honors College strongly discourage making big purchases, such as airline tickets, before the programs are confirmed by OEA. If canceled, FIU cannot refund these, or any other expenses related to the programs not paid directly to FIU.

#### **Switching, Withdrawals, and Cancellations:**

Once students are registered, they are not allowed to switch programs. Students who still want to change programs will have to withdraw from the initial one, first, with no refunds. Then secure their spot in the new program, pay the \$500 deposit again, and complete all the new program's missing payments. Permission to apply for the second program is at the full discretion of the Honors College.

Withdrawal from a program will only be permitted for medical reasons. In order to request a medical withdrawal, students must provide appropriate medical documentation from a physician licensed in the United States. Otherwise, they will remain responsible for all charges.

Students that are dropped from a program for lack of payment, lack of documentation, or due to FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code sanctions, will still be responsible for the charges already posted to their account. That balance will still be due.

FIU and/or the Honors College reserve the right to cancel study abroad programs—the *only* case in which a refund *will* be made. The refund will cover the program's cost and the \$500 deposit. Late fees will not be refunded or removed. Students will be responsible for fees or losses incurred in cancelling or changing their airfare ticket and any other expenses not covered by the program fee. Consideration to purchase Trip Cancellation insurance coverage is recommended. Refunds for the \$195 OEA fee will be at OEA's discretion.

If the program gets canceled once the IDH 4007 course has started, students will continue that course until finished. They will obtain 3 academic credits for it and their tuition for the course taken will not be refunded.

By signing up to participate in a study abroad program, students are assuming all the above-mentioned responsibilities and are committing to comply with them without further notices.