# **Italy Interior Design Studio**

## Summer 2022

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## **Application Deadline**

Program applications accepted until **February 15, 2022**. Click "<u>Apply to Study Abroad</u>" to begin your online application.

#### Dates

May 12 – June 3, 2022

#### Location

Sansepolcro is a medieval walled city in the heart of Tuscany, where Meredith students have studied abroad for over 30 years. You will live in the beautiful and historic Palazzo Alberti, Meredith College's home in Italy. This three week program includes many group excursions, including Anghiari, Arezzo, Deruta, and a multi-day adventure in Florence.

## Student Voices

"During my time in Italy, I learned about design and architecture, which broadened my knowledge. I also enjoyed seeing the wonderful views of Tuscany and surrounding areas of Italy. From the food, sites, people, and adventures, it was definitely a once in a lifetime experience." – Kayla Eddy, Summer 2018

## Journey Highlights

Imagine studying Tuscan architecture and design while immersed in Italy. Spend your days wandering through buildings constructed of the finest Italian building materials like limestone, travertine and marble. Bask under the Tuscan sun while you sketch elements of the Old-World charm found in wrought iron gates and amazing fountains. Experience and enjoy the vivid history of Italian architects and designers while exploring their creations in situ.

This lecture studio course will include pre-program and post program meetings on the Raleigh campus, plus a 3-week program at Meredith's study abroad location in Sansepolcro, Italy. Prior to the program abroad, you will be given a course overview and schedule, an introduction to Italian design resources, a review of needed supplies and other preliminary materials.

In addition to gaining valuable knowledge about Italian architecture and design, you will travel to many towns within Tuscany and beyond! Included in this program are multiple excursions to sites such as Anghiari, Arezzo and Deruta. We will also travel to the magnificent city of Florence for a multi-day adventure. This 6 hour credit course combines lecture, field trips and sketching.

**Note:** While this brochure describes what we plan to offer in summer 2022, Meredith College Office of International Programs reserves the right to make changes to the program itinerary, program capacity limits, schedule, cost, academic program, etc., as necessary.

## Faculty

Dr. Laura Prestwood, Associate Professor & Program Coordinator of Interior Design, leprestwood@meredith.edu

Dr. Ellen Goode, Professor Emerita of Interior Design

### Courses – 6 credits

ID 940: Italian Design Studio (6 credits)

Fulfills Interior Design elective

This course will include research, sketching, photo documentation and field trips for the study of Tuscan Architecture and Design. Using lectures, field trips and independent study, students will document selected historic buildings and decorative accessories.

By the end of the session, students will have completed a digital portfolio of Tuscan architecture, a sketchbook and other assignments. Students need to have basic Adobe Suite knowledge and have access to the software on their laptops. Additional sketching supplies required.

#### Cost

#### \$4,500 includes:

- \$100 non-refundable application deposit
- Tuition for 6 Meredith College credits
- Accommodations in Italy
- Breakfasts, weekday lunches, and final dinner
- Coach transport to/from Sansepolcro
- Academic excursions
- On-site support from Meredith faculty, local Associate Director, and program assistant
- Pre-departure orientation and resources

#### Additional expenses include:

- Round-trip airfare \$1,700
- Passport (if needed) \$150
- International health insurance \$46
- International cell phone plan \$100
- Personal spending money \$750

Note: Estimates are based on previous student reports. Your spending habits may differ.

## Scholarships and Financial Aid

Additional study abroad funding is available, including a special scholarship for ID students. Register for a Funding Workshop and access the scholarship application at <a href="http://meredith.edu/oip">http://meredith.edu/oip</a>. Scholarship deadline: February 15, 2022.

## COVID-19 Health and Safety Considerations

The Office of International Programs, in partnership with Meredith's Health Center, will continue monitoring daily the following resources regarding coronavirus and international travel:

- CDC
- U.S. State Department
- Overseas Security Advisory Council
- World Health Organization
- American College Health Association
- NAFSA: Association of International Educators professional listserv and the Forum on Education Abroad (peer institution responses)
- Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI) updates
- Email announcements and communications from affiliate study abroad providers
- Multiple news outlets

All study abroad participants are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. This includes recommendations by the CDC and host countries at the time of program departure, including but not limited to boosters, vaccine timelines, etc.