



KIIS ITALY Program Summer 2026 – Draft

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 17	May 18 Depart USA	May 19 Florence: Arrival, eat, rest...	May 20 Florence: 10:00-12:00 Orientation. 1:15: Walking tour, Basilica di Santa Croce, 3:00 entry	May 21 Florence: classes 9-12, 2-5	May 22 Florence: classes: 9-11, 1-3; Duomo climb @ 5:45 , tic for 3 days incl. today – baptistry, bell tower, Cathedral museum	May 23 Florence: Free day
May 24 Florence: Free day	May 25 Florence: visit town of Fiesole (Roman + Etruscan Ruins): 9-12 Classes 2-3:30, 3:30-5	May 26 Florence: Uffizi Museum: 8:30 entry (+ tic good for Pitti Palace, Boboli Gardens, etc. for 5 days – check w/profs)	May 27 Florence: A Block Class Day	May 28 Florence: B Block class Day	May 29 Florence: Classes 10-12, 2-4; Accademia 4:45 entry (Michelangelo's David! and more)	May 30 Florence: Free day
May 31 Siena: Depart 9:30 Visit San Gimignano en route Siena Night stroll TBA	June 1 Siena: Palazzo Pubblico +/-or Duomo visits? Cooking classes: 10:30-2:30, 4:30-8:30	June 2 Siena: Morning Classes TBA National Holiday: Festa della Repubblica	June 3 Siena Morning Classes TBA Contrada della Lupa tour: 2:00	June 4 Rome Depart 9:00 Visit Bomarzo Sacro Bosco + lunch en route, Arrive at hotel 4:00 Night Hike 8:00	June 5 Rome Classes 9-12, 2-5	June 6 Rome Free Day
June 7 Rome: Free day	June 8 Rome: Free Day	June 9 Rome: Vatican Museums / Sistine Chapel 2 groups Colosseum, 12:30 and 4:30 entry	June 10 Rome: Papal audience in morning (optional) Colosseum, Forum, Palatine Hill - TBA	June 11 Rome: Classes 9-12, 2-5 Or A-Day Classes	June 12 Rome: Classes TBA Or B-Day Classes	June 13 Rome: Free Day (Roma Pride Festival)
June 14 Rome: Final classes in a.m. TBA	June 15 Depart Rome, Arrive USA.	June 16	*Please note: This itinerary is not final ; all elements are provisional. While the overall dates will not change, any and all calendar events above may change. Students should <u>not</u> make independent plans without first contacting the Program Director. Bolded times for classes in Florence = classrooms reserved at the Foresteria NOTE: All elements are subject to change! Red = planned excursions and events			

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- All classes will participate together in planned excursions to museums, cathedrals, city tours, ancient ruins, etc.
- Class sessions will be divided into A and B blocks, typically with A in the morning and B in the afternoon.
- Some excursions are optional (as noted).
- For each date, the city name is provided (where we will be staying that evening)
- Florence Hotel – [Foresteria Valdese](#) (in the Oltrarno district, “Florence’s coolest/hippest neighborhood,” near Piazza Santo Spirito, just across the river from downtown, very walkable)
- Siena Hotel – [Hotel Alma Domus](#) (great location in the noble ‘Oca’ contrada, near the home of St. Catherine, across the ‘Silva’ valley from the cathedral)
- Rome Hotel – [Hotel Trastevere](#) (in the heart of Trastevere, right next to Piazza San Cosimato)

The KIIS summer program in Italy begins in the Oltrarno quarter of Florence with an exploration of the Renaissance city’s world-class art and architecture and surroundings. It then moves to the more medieval hilltop city of Siena, which has been described as a “jewel suspended in amber.” Finally, we stay in the vibrant Trastevere district of the ancient and modern capital of Rome, visiting museums, classical ruins, historic churches, palaces and other destinations. By investigating Italian art and history and taking part in the local culture, students become acquainted with the Italian people, their culture and their way of life.