Program Costs and Inclusions

- 8 night accommodations
- Daily breakfasts, 4 lunch and 4 dinner
- Private transportation throughout
- Private English language tours
- International medical insurance
- Airfare
- Tours and entry fees
- Approximately $3,900 USD (plus tuition)

Not Included

- Lamar University Tuition
- Passport
- Meals not listed above
- Laundry expenses
- Hotel upgrades
- Shopping and additional spending money

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Spend 8 Nights...

Studying Industrial/Organizational Psychology and/or The Psychology of Social interaction in Italy.

Students will be able to choose between 3 or 6 credit options, either take one or both course offerings.

You will have the option of taking three or six credit hours in Psychology of Social Interaction and/or Industrial/Organizational Psychology. You will fly into Rome and immediately travel south to beautiful Catanzaro, where we’ll spend the first 3 nights. Excursions to a Mulberry Tree plantation, L’universita’ degli Studi Magna Graecia di Catanzaro and the Santuario di San Francesco di Paola are included. The next three nights will be spent at an agriturismo in Morano Calabro. From here, you will visit the oldest licorice factory in the Italy! You will meet owners of a dairy farm and a beekeeper who are all very successful entrepreneurs. You will also get a chance meet a local family and create a traditional Calabrese lunch! Then on to a trip to Civita, a traditional Albanian village. You will then leave Southern Italy and make a stop in Pompeii, followed by lunch at a historical pizzeria in Naples. Finally the trip will conclude after 2 nights in Rome. While in Rome, you will have a 1/2 day guided tour of the ancient city, including skip-the-line access to many historic sites!

ABOUT SOCIAL INTERACTION

...a three-hour course that will examine the major theories of the Psychology of Social Interaction (PSYC 3330). This course will expose students to a different culture in Italy and provide them with a unique opportunity for cross cultural comparison between The United States and Italy. Students will have the opportunity to experience and apply these concepts, first hand and up close within our group and also by visiting Italian businesses, attending social events, visiting with local families and communities, and experiencing diversity with individuals from different cultural backgrounds. Most of the learning abroad will be achieved by engaging in natural observation, informally administering surveys to locals, and by asking questions relevant to the learning outcomes of this course.

ABOUT I/O PSYCHOLOGY

... a three-hour course that will examine Industrial/Organizational (I/O) psychology (PSYC 3340). I/O psychology is the scientific study of the behavior of individuals and groups in organizations and the application of the knowledge generated in this research to improving organizational effectiveness and the welfare of the people who work in these organizations. This course will expose students to a different culture in Italy and provide them with a unique opportunity for cross cultural comparison between two countries (The US and Italy) and how the principles of I/O psychology are similar and different. Students will have the opportunity to interact with employees and management in different local Italian businesses, both with hands on work experience as well as question and answer sessions. The students will be able to compare what they experience in Italy to what they have learned back home through blackboard discussions and lectures as well as their own individual work experiences.

ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL EXCURSIONS

- Discuss HR with local Italian businesses
- Visit the oldest licorice factory in the World
- See the Albanian Village of Civita
- See and tour the Eternal City of Rome
- Visit L’universita’ degli Studi Magna Graecia di Catanzaro
- Tour Ancient Pompeii with lunch in Naples
- Visit Santuario di San Francesco di Paola
- Meet with local entrepreneurs in Southern Italy
- Have a hands-on silk extracting experience
- Make your own Calabrese style lunch
- Shop and explore a local outdoor market and local festivals
- Stay in a working agriturismo

**Subject to change**