

The AIFS program fee of \$8,145.00 includes the following:

- **Accommodation:** in self-catering apartments within the historic center of Florence in twin-bedded rooms, with typically 4-6 students sharing a 2-3-bedroom apartment. Apartments include shared kitchen/living space, a set amount of utilities, bed linen and Wi-Fi; all students will be housed in a central hotel for the first night
- **Orientation:** program consisting of an orientation meeting with AIFS staff covering topics on safety/security and travel, workshops on cultural differences, a local area walking tour
- **Meals:** self-catering in the student accommodations, meal vouchers available details listed below, a welcome reception
- A walking tour of Florence with the services of a professional, English-speaking guide
- Weekly program of subsidized cultural activities such as cooking classes, wine lectures, soccer matches, day trip to Pisa and other nearby locations, concerts, and film nights
- Italian Life and Culture course taught by local faculty, with lectures focusing on historical, political, economic, and cultural aspects of Italy and Florence, and related activities and excursions (course still subject to college tuition fees)
- A full-day excursion to the Chianti wine region including transportation by private bus, a visit to a winery and a typical Tuscan lunch
- A full-day excursion to Siena and San Gimignano including round-trip transportation by private bus, the services of a professional, English-speaking guide in Siena and an AIFS staff escort throughout
- Access to the wireless-enabled AIFS Student Center and a team of experienced Student Services staff for information, personal advising/counseling and 24-hour emergency contact service
- Mandatory Police registration fees and local insurances
- Medical insurance policy

Program fees do not include the following:

- Optional Transportation Package consisting of round-trip airfare between San Francisco and Florence, and round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the accommodations on the specified program dates for \$695
- Mandatory additional U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges of \$595
- Community College tuition or administrative fees
- Textbooks
- Optional meal voucher plan consisting of 30 vouchers for some lunches or dinners in local trattoria for \$550
- Single room supplement \$895 – on a first come/first-served basis in a shared apartment. Note: single occupancy rooms are not guaranteed.
- Passport and visa fees if applicable
- Additional field trips or excursions required by your instructors
- Local or independent travel while in Florence
- Personal expenses such as laundry
- Optional medical insurance upgrade for \$65

2024 PROGRAM DATES

Saturday, February 3	AIFS flight departs San Francisco for Italy.
Sunday, February 4	Arrive in Italy, and overnight in hotel.
Monday-Tuesday, February 5-6	Orientation and workshops for all students and faculty. Transfer to accommodation on Feb 5.
Wednesday, February 7	Classes begin.
Saturday-Sunday, March 16-24	Mid-semester break.
Monday, April 1	Easter Monday (no class).
Thursday, May 2	Last day of class.
Friday, May 3	Program ends. AIFS flight departs Italy for the U.S.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR AIFS FEES

<u>Spring Semester</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Optional</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Enrollment deposit	\$450.00	November 10, 2023	Transportation Package	\$695.00	December 8, 2023
Balance of fees	<u>\$7,695.00</u>	December 8, 2023	Taxes/Fees (subject to change)	<u>\$595.00</u>	December 8, 2023
Total	\$8,145.00		Total	\$1,290.00	
			30 Meal Vouchers	\$550.00	December 8, 2023
			Single Room Supplement	\$895.00	December 8, 2023
			Medical Insurance Upgrade	\$65.00	December 8, 2023

All students must submit the \$450 enrollment deposit when completing the online form. Subsequent payments may be made by check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to "AIFS." American Express, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

Financial Aid students are responsible for paying by Friday, December 8, 2023, the airfare (\$695); taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges (\$595 [subject to change]); an \$850 program reservation deposit, payment for optional program components, and any remaining balance that will not be covered by aid.

Please note: A \$35 returned check fee will be charged on all checks returned by the bank for insufficient funds.

AIFS TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE

Participants have the option of purchasing a round-trip ticket for the flight arranged through AIFS. Participants choosing this option should note the following restrictions: Tickets purchased from AIFS are exclusively on scheduled airlines (not charters). They are not endorsable to another carrier. Flights are not necessarily direct or non-stop, and frequent flyer miles are not applicable. The AIFS Transportation Package includes round-trip ground transportation between the airport in Italy and your accommodations on the regularly scheduled program dates. AIFS will book flights on the dates indicated on this application only.

Participants wishing to purchase the Transportation Package must notify AIFS in writing or by selecting this option on the online enrollment form by Friday, November 10, 2023. Participants wishing to cancel from the flight must notify AIFS in writing by Friday, December 8, 2023. Cancellation penalties will apply. Tickets are non-refundable after this date.

AIFS Airfare Regulations: Return must be to original U.S. departure point. Tickets are subject to airline availability. No refunds are available for any unused portion of the ticket. Tickets cannot be rerouted, and stopovers are not permitted. Once in Italy participants may be able to change their return date, but only if that date is available and in the same class of service in which the ticket was booked. Only the ticketing agent can provide this information. Participants are subject to agency and airline-imposed change fees and space availability. Group round-trip ground transportation to and from the airport in Italy is on the regularly scheduled program dates only.

AIFS cannot guarantee that all passengers will be booked on the same flight. A minimum of 10 participants must purchase the flight for it to be offered.

Important Dates to remember should you need to cancel this program:

If an individual student withdraws on or before Friday, November 10, 2023, all fees paid less than a \$150 processing fee will be refunded. If an individual withdraws after Friday, November 10, 2023, but on or before Friday, December 8, 2023, all fees paid less the \$450 deposit and any non-refundable deposits paid by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf will be refunded. If a student withdraws after Friday, December 8, 2023, they will receive no refund and the total program fee is due. If a student withdraws once the program has begun, there is no refund.

Protecting your investment:

Participants will have the option of purchasing additional trip cancellation or interruption insurance which allows them to protect their study abroad program. This policy includes options to cancel for any reason (CFAR) and interrupt for any reason (IFAR). Details of the Worldwide Trip Protector Plans with travel insurance underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company, rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Best 2019, are available on the Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI) website - www.culturalinsurance.com. Students may purchase their plan directly through the CISI website.

