

FSU6C2R-5.077 International Foreign Programs

(1) Purpose. Florida State University International Programs [“International Programs”] offers students an opportunity to earn academic credits while studying at a number of international locations in programs developed and under supervision of International Programs.

(2) Locations. The University, through International Programs, has four year-round (permanent) Study Centers. They are located in Florence, Italy; London, England; Panama City, Republic of Panama; and Valencia, Spain. Additionally, a number of short-term programs in other locations are created annually based upon student and/or faculty interest and agreement with local academic institutions and/or educational service providers in accordance with all applicable governing regulations of the Florida Board of Governors (BOG), Florida State University (Florida State) regulations and policies and applicable Federal law and accrediting agency policy.

(3) Academic Programs. International Programs may offer classes and programs for Florida State academic credit and/or foreign transfer credit when properly approved through the Florida State academic department and the program approval process, in accordance with all applicable governing regulations of the Florida Board of Governors (BOG), Florida State University (Florida State) regulations and policies and applicable Federal law and accrediting agency policy.

(4) Fees and Costs. International Programs may charge sufficient participant fees, within any limits as may be imposed by Florida law or regulation, to offset its expenses of operation, including housing, participant cultural activities, insurance, emergency fees, scholarship funding, and administrative costs, including reserves for building maintenance and repairs, purchase and refurbishment. All of these items, combined, comprise the program fee. The program fee shall be disclosed to participants prior to registration. Such fees shall be charged, collected and expended through the appropriate International Programs auxiliary account(s).

(5) The campus that operates in the Republic of Panama is a financially self-supporting entity. All fees collected in the Republic of Panama are retained in the Republic of Panama for the operational and capital needs of the institution, in accordance with its mission. The campus is administered through a not-for-profit Foundation established in the Republic of Panama. The Foundation is controlled by FSU, as administered by International Programs, through the Office of the Provost.

(1) Florence Program.

(a) One is eligible to study at the Florence Study Center during September through December and January through April, of each academic year, subject to the following:

1. The Student has an average of 2.5 or better on all college work attempted. In state students with a grade point average between 2.0 and 2.5 may petition the Faculty Coordinator to be admitted. Acceptance will depend upon the quality of the petition.

2. Students not attending a state university in Florida must have two references submit letters of recommendations directly to the Faculty Coordinator of the FSU Florence/London Programs Office, Tallahassee, Florida 32306.

3. The student will have attained at least sophomore standing, 27 semester hours, prior to commencing study at the Florence Study Center.

4. Experience in Italian is not required for acceptance; however, all students must take Elementary

Italian in Florence, unless they have already completed the elementary sequence ITA 1120, ITA 1121, ITA 2230 or 12 credit hours of Italian. One semester of Italian prior to participation is recommended.

5. The student must enroll for at least 12 semester hours of study each semester of participation in the program.

6. Students enrolled in FSU Basic Studies must receive approval to participate from the Basic Studies Office, before being accepted into the program. Non FSU students should check with their own academic deans/advisors before applying.

7. Students not enrolled at FSU at time of application, must transfer to FSU through the Florence/London Programs Office for purposes of registration and record keeping.

(b) The costs include center sponsored group travel, cultural and social activities, Study Center facilities and service, and medical insurance. For students in housing, fee includes room and daily continental breakfast while in Florence. Program fees do not include tuition/registration fees, personal travel, lunch and dinner (or breakfast when away from Florence), textbooks, museum fees, international identification card.

(2) London Program.

(a) One is eligible to study at London Study Center from September through December and January through April, subject to the following:

1. The student has an average of 2.5 or better on all college work attempted. In state students with a grade point average between of 2.0 and 2.5 may petition the Faculty Coordinator to be admitted. Acceptance will depend upon the quality of the petition.

2. The student will have attained at least sophomore standing, 27 semester hours, prior to commencing study at the London Study Center.

3. The students must enroll for at least 12 semester hours of study each semester of attendance at the London Study Center.

4. Students enrolled in FSU Basic Studies students must receive approval to participate from the Basic Studies Office before being accepted into the program. Non FSU students should check with their own academic dean/advisors before applying; and

5. Students not enrolled at FSU at the time of application must transfer to FSU through the Florence/London Programs Office for purposes of registration and record keeping.

(b) Students will pay two program fees. One to the Florida State University which will help cover study center services and program cultural & social activities, such as field trips, tickets to theatres, and concerts. This FSU program fee does not cover FSU tuition, costs of textbooks, or other class related expenses, or any personal expenses. The second program fee is paid to a private travel agency that has contracted with FSU to handle program facilities and round trip travel from Atlanta to London. The travel agency fee is determined by the option chosen by the student. The options are:

— Opt. A — Round trip air/housing, insurance/services

— Opt. B — Housing/insurance/services

— Opt. C — Insurance/services

(3) Courses for both programs are taken directly from the FSU catalog and are taught by State University System of Florida faculty. The courses and faculty change each semester.

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