

FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY

Summer in Syracuse, Sicily

University College at Fairfield University
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SUMMER 2009

Program Bulletin

I. Schedule and Academic Calendar

Fairfield University offers two summer sessions at the Mediterranean Center for Arts and Sciences in Syracuse, Sicily. Each session is five weeks long; students can take one or both sessions. During each session, students take two 3-credit courses, earning Fairfield University credit and grades.

Summer 2009 - Session I

May 20-21..... Wednesday-Thursday..... Arrival, housing check-in
May 22 Friday..... Orientation
May 23 Saturday..... Historical orientation tour: Ortigia
May 25 Monday..... Classes begin
June 6-7 Saturday-Sunday..... Optional Excursion: Palermo
June 25..... Thursday..... Classes end/Evening farewell reception
June 27..... Saturday..... Departure/Housing check-out

Summer 2009 - Session II

July 1-2 Wednesday-Thursday..... Arrival/Housing check-in
July 3 Friday..... Orientation
July 4 Saturday..... Historical orientation tour: Ortigia
July 6..... Monday..... Classes begin
July 18-19 Saturday-Sunday..... Optional Excursion: Palermo
August 6..... Thursday..... Classes end
August 8..... Saturday..... Departure/Housing check-out

II. Cost and Program Benefits

Comprehensive Package: \$4,830 (cost subject to adjustment in response to international currency fluctuations)

Included in the package is:

- Tuition for six undergraduate credits: grades will be reported on a Fairfield University transcript
- Student support for all needs (academic, health, etc.) and 24-hour emergency coverage
- Housing in shared apartments in the historic district of Ortigia; apartments are all different, but have double-occupancy bedrooms, are simply furnished and provided with bedding, cooking utensils, stove and refrigerator. Walking distance to school varies, but is within 15 to 20 minutes
- Activities and excursions
- Visa assistance for qualified students depending on Italian consulate regulations
- Health Insurance
- ISIC Card

III. Air Travel

Upon acceptance, we will give you information on recommended travel agents. Students should book their flights into Catania Fontanarossa (CTA) airport. Students arriving at the recommended times will be provided transportation from Catania to Syracuse. Be sure to book your flight well in advance; we recommend 90 days prior to the start of the program.

IV. Application and Deadlines

Early application helps to ensure your place in the program.

1. Complete the enclosed application forms.
2. Send them as soon as possible with your refundable deposit check of \$500, made payable to Fairfield University (balance will be due 60 days before departure).

Within two weeks of our receipt of the above materials, you will be advised of your acceptance. Students planning to attend should submit their application by **March 16, 2009**. After this, placement in the program will be on a space-available basis only.

V. Visa Information

All students studying in Italy must obtain a student visa. Fairfield University may be able to assist qualified students in the visa process depending on Italian consulate regulations. Upon acceptance, we will advise you about the visa procedure.

VI. Cancellation Policy

Session I: Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable if you cancel before March 31. For cancellations received from March 31 through April 15, the \$500 deposit will be forfeited. For cancellations received between April 16 and May 1, the penalty is \$1500. For cancellations received between May 2 and May 18, the penalty is \$3500. Withdrawal on the day of departure or during the program: entire cost of program forfeited.

Session II: Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable if you cancel before April 30. For cancellations received from April 30 through May 19, the \$500 deposit will be forfeited. For cancellations received between May 20 and June 15, the penalty is \$1500. For cancellations received between June 16 and July 29, the penalty is \$3500. Withdrawal on the day of departure or during the program: entire cost of program forfeited.

Notification of cancellation must be received **in writing**, and will be based on the postmark date. Protect yourself from unexpected cancellation charges by purchasing travel insurance.

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