Summer Session I Orientation – May 21 – June 24, 2016

Saturday, May 21, 2016

10:00- 4:00 PM:  Registration – Sala Chandler
Official Check-in, official ID pictures taken and IDs issued throughout day
Information packets and room keys will be available for pick-up.

2:30 & 3:30 PM:  Walking Tours of Monte Mario Neighborhood & JFRC Campus Tour
Each tour originates from the JFRC reception desk. The brief tour will help direct you to the bank machine, the bus stop, the local grocery, and various other neighborhood conveniences. Tours depart at 2:30 PM. & 4:00 PM.

5:00 PM:  Introduction to Life at the John Felice Rome Center – Conference Room
This session is Mandatory
Alexander Evers, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
Cynthia Bomben, Associate Dean of Students
Student Life Assistants: Pedro Guerrero, Elly Hahn, Fran Homan, Ryan Bedell, Michael Cronin, Sam Juarez
All students must attend this mandatory informational meeting at which critical information will be communicated regarding life at the JFRC and in the local community.

6:15 PM:  Liturgy
Sunday Mass will be celebrated in the JFRC Chapel. All are welcome.

7:00 PM:  Welcome Dinner Buffet - JFRC Mensa
8:00 PM:  Scavenger Hunt in Centro Storico (winners will receive 25 Euro off Study Trip)

Sunday, May 22, 2016

9:00 AM:  Departure for day trip to Tivoli – Villa Adriana
10:30 AM:  Guided visit of Villa Adriana
12:30 PM:  JFRC Community lunch
4:00 PM:  Departure for JFRC
8:00 PM:  Optional Community Dinners in the neighborhood/centro storico. Sign up with your SLA!

Monday, May 23, 2016

Classes Begin

11:30 – 1:00 PM:  Mensa (NB. special time.)
1:00- 2:00 PM:  Mandatory Passport Check-in & US Embassy Outreach – Conference Room
Introduction to JFRC Staff
6:00 PM:  Mandatory Floor Meetings
Day Trips and Excursions (included in fees):

**Friday, May 27:**  Herculaneum
Located in Campania region and in the shadow of Mt. Vesuvius, Herculaneum (Italian Ercolano) was an ancient Roman town destroyed by volcanic lava along with Pompeii, Stabiae and Oplontis in the eruption of Mount Vesuvius beginning on August 24, AD 79. Herculaneum was a smaller town with a wealthier population than Pompeii at the time of the destruction. Payment for this trip is included in student fees and lunch is included.
7:30 am departure and return to the JFRC by 6 PM

**Friday, June 10:**  Assisi
This day trip will transport students to the medieval town of Assisi, a three-hour drive northeast of Rome, situated in the center of the Umbria region, extremely rich in historical and cultural interests and the birthplace of St. Francis. Payment for this trip is included in student fees and lunch is included.
7:30 am departure and return to the JFRC by 7PM

Weekend Study Trips (optional):

**Friday-Sunday, June 17-19:**  The “other” Tuscany – La Maremma Toscana and Isola del Giglio
Students will have the opportunity to explore the untouched beauty of southern Tuscany and its beautiful coast. Charming medieval towns, a visit to the island of Giglio with turquoise beaches and soaking in the thermal springs of Saturnia are some highlights of this trip, all accompanied by the delicious food and wine unique to this area.
Cost: €380*

*Prices are approximate and subject to change. Minimum number of participants needed for each paid trip to go. Students must sign up and pay in the JFRC Business Office. Spots are limited, open on a first-come, first-served basis.

Student Life Activities:

**Wednesday, May 25:**  Welcome Mass
The JFRC community will celebrate Mass at Chiesa di Sant’Ignazio in the historic district of Rome. This special Mass is a community event that initiates the summer session in a spirit of prayer and reflection. This celebration is open to all members of the JFRC community, regardless of their religious affiliation. An Italian meal will immediately follow the Mass, hosted at a neighboring Roman restaurant. The cost of this meal is included in student fees.

**Wednesday, June 1:**  Papal Audience
Students will be able to participate in the Pope’s Wednesday blessing held in St. Peter’s Square. Tickets to the event will be available for pick-up on Tuesday afternoon. Classes will be cancelled on this day and will be made up on Friday June 3.

**Thursday, June 23:**  Celebration Dinner
In order to bring the session to a close, the JFRC community is invited to join together one final time as a group for the Celebration Dinner at a Roman restaurant. The cost of this meal is included in student fees.

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Schedule subject to change.