

Doctors in Italy Informational Letter

Target Students

MSN Education

Location

Rome, Italy

Dates

June 6, 2020 - June 26, 2020

Arriving on a Saturday and departing on a Friday allows for jet-lag recovery over weekends and a full 3-weeks of Monday-Thursday for shadowing.

MSN Education students may select to participate for 1, 2, or all three weeks of the program.

Cost

\$1,000 week + airfare + meals (cost will vary based on preferences) + spending money

Group size

We anticipate selecting 20 TTU pre-nursing students plus 2-3 MSN Education students.

Program Leaders

Amy Moore, DNP, APRN, FNP-C & Michael Evans, PhD, RN, FAAN

Living facilities

To best accommodate evening round-table discussions led by the in-country program leader(s), apartment housing in the same or very nearby buildings will be utilized. Reliable, quality WIFI will be available in the apartments.

Shadow Experience

Students will likely shadow at Campos Bio-medico University Hospital (<http://www.unicampus.it/eng/contacts/campus-bio-medico-university-hospital>) which has mostly English speaking nurses, doctors, and staff.

Rotations are scheduled for Monday-Thursday, 4-6 hrs/day. Pre-nursing students will shadow in pairs of 2 with oversight provided by TTUHSC faculty, MSN Education students, and medical staff affiliated with Doctors in Italy. The principle in-hospital shadow leader will be a nurse with good English communication skills.

Planned Excursions

Doctors in Italy uses Fridays for out-of-Rome excursions which students, TTUHSC faculty, and in-country leaders will attend. Activities are also planned for some weekday afternoons and evenings. For example, a cooking class, sightseeing within Rome, group dinner at local restaurant, etc.

Weekends

The Doctors in Italy team will provide options and suggestions for weekend tours, trips, and activities, including options for any budget. Potential options include excursions to Venice, Capri, and the Amalfi; day trips to Pompei and hiking in Umbria; exploration of Rome's museums and relaxing on surrounding beaches.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to participate in an International Program for Students, a person must be a student at the University. For the purposes of an International Program for Students, a student is defined as all persons taking courses at the University, either full-time or part-time, pursuing undergraduate, graduate or professional studies, specifically excluding School of Medicine House Staff. Persons who are not officially enrolled for a particular term but who have a continuing relationship with the University or who have been notified of their acceptance may be considered students.

For the purposes of an International Program for Students, a person is considered to have a continuous relationship with the University if the person was enrolled at the University for the preceding semester and:

- Is registered or preregistered for the following semester; or
- If the person has not completed the person's degree program, is eligible to continue the degree program in the following semester; or
- If the person completed a degree program in the preceding semester and is admitted to another degree program at the University for the following semester.

In addition, persons must be in good academic and disciplinary standing as determined by the person's school at the time the person applies for an International Program and at the time of the dates of travel. Good disciplinary standing is defined as relating to a student not currently on disciplinary probation; or, a student, whose disciplinary suspension, expulsion or conditions and/or restrictions imposed, if any, have been totally fulfilled in a timely manner.

Per OP 10.29, International Programs for Students, International Programs are part of a degree program. As such, schools will determine course credit being awarded for an International Program in accordance with OP 60.05.

Cancellation/Refunds

TTUHSC is not liable for funds paid for travel to airlines or the host institution/organization or other fees of any kind or character related to the trip if a person is no longer eligible or can no longer participate in the international program. As such, the person is responsible for any and all financial losses that may be incurred.

Pre-departure Requirements

All students selected to participate in the trip are expected to complete TTUHSC International Program pre-departure requirements. Additional information about the pre-departure requirements can be found at the TTUHSC Office of Global Health website: <https://www.ttuhs.edu/global-health/requirements.aspx>.

Team Meetings

Selected participants will be expected to attend a series of mandatory pre-trip meetings to prepare for the program abroad. Each meeting will be scheduled in Lubbock and available via Zoom for students outside of Lubbock. Each meeting is anticipated to last approximately one hour.

Application

The application for participation in the program can be found at: <https://student.ttuhs.edu/global-health/doctors-italy.aspx>.

Trip Specific Questions

Please contact Amy Moore, DNP, APRN, FNP-C at amy.moore@ttuhs.edu.

General Questions about International Programs at TTUHSC

Please contact the Office of Global Health at globalhealth@ttuhs.edu.