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Mount Etna is Europe's largest volcano



Antefix tile fragment from a Greek-style roof



FAU Students and park personnel at the Palike site

## Exploring Ancient Sicily at Palike'

### Program Base: Catania, Italy

(May 18-June 21, 2014)

This program is built around field research at the archaeological site of Rocchicella di Mineo, ancient Palikè, and location of the most important sanctuary of Sicily's indigenous Sikel people. Students will study and assist in fieldwork at the site, which is managed by the Sicilian Regional government through the Archaeological Park of the Calatino, and they will take weekly excursions to important locations on the island, including the ancient cities of Syracuse and Agrigento, as well as the monumental Roman villa at Piazza Armerina. Experience in techniques of archaeological excavation, documentation and the restoration of recovered art and other finds is supplemented by lectures on aspects of Mediterranean history and cultural resource management.

**Academic Program:** Academic contact hours and 120 hours of academic service-learning are credited for the activities of this program. Certification for the time spent at the site is also available from the administration of the Park.

**Eligibility Requirements:** Program is open to FAU undergraduate and graduate students and students from other institutions seeking transfer credit; 2.5/3.0 overall GPA or higher; two semesters of college study, including ARH2000 or equivalent academic coursework; approval of the program leader.

**Course Description:** ART 4906C for undergraduate students or ART 6913 for graduate students (4 credits): An introduction to the concepts and practices of archaeological field research by engaging in the activities of the Sicilian Regional Government. Fieldwork is enriched with lectures on relevant topics and visits to nearby museums and archaeological sites.

**Program Fee:** \$2,400

**Program Fee Includes:** Application fee, housing (double occupancy), arrival and departure banquets, local transportation to site, three excursions, CISI insurance, tools/supplies at site, guest lecturers, on-site support staff, and pre-departure orientation.

**Program Fee Does Not Include:** Airfare, FAU tuition (in-state/out-of-state rates apply), some transportation, most meals, books and spending money.

**Application Deadline:** February 15 or as space permits.

**Financial Aid:** Students may be able to use their financial aid for study abroad. Students need to have a current FAFSA on file and have completed a summer Financial Aid Application (available February 1) in order to apply for funding. Summer financial aid requires that students be registered for a total of 6 credits.

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