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Syracuse
Academy



SUMMER 2026 PRESENTATION OUTLINE

1. CITY CAMPUS
2. WHO WE ARE & OUR MISSION
3. ACADEMIC TRACKS
4. STUDENT LIFE IN SICILY



NOT ALL CLASSROOMS HAVE FOUR WALLS

ELITE ACADEMIC
& LOCAL PARTNERS

Our Mission

Fostering peace,
equity, and justice for people
and the planet

The Approach

Living Laboratory: turning local
fragilities into active study and
ecosystem support



CHOOSE YOUR SUMMER EXPERIENCE



ECOLOGY, CLIMATE CHANGE
& BIODIVERSITY

ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD
SCHOOL

HUMAN RIGHTS, MIGRATION
& SOCIAL JUSTICE

ITALIAN LANGUAGE &
CULTURE



UNIVERSITY OF
MINNESOTA

All programs are designed with the University of Minnesota,
among the Top 50 of World University Rankings

OUR LOCAL PROGRAM PARTNERS



ECOLOGY, CLIMATE
CHANGE & BIODIVERSITY



SICILIA SUD
ORIENTALE

HUMAN RIGHTS, MIGRATION
& SOCIAL JUSTICE



ARCHAEOLOGY
FIELD SCHOOL



dipartimento **studi umanistici**



PARCO ARCHEOLOGICO E
PAESAGGISTICO DI SIRACUSA,
ELORO, VILLA DEL TELLARO
E AKRAI



United Nations
Educational, Scientific and
Cultural Organization

SUMMER SESSION I COURSE LIST



Summer Session I (June 13 – July 4): Students choose one course from this session (3 credits)

TRACK	COURSE	DURATION	USA CREDITS	CONTACT HOURS
ECOLOGY, CLIMATE CHANGE & BIODIVERSITY	Mediterranean Conflict: Humans and the Environment	3 weeks	3	45
HUMAN RIGHTS, MIGRATION & SOCIAL JUSTICE	Migration, Human Rights & the Media	3 weeks	3	45
	International Human Rights Law	3 weeks	3	45
ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	Italian Language & Culture (Single Module)	3 weeks	3	45

SUMMER SESSION II COURSE LIST



Summer Session II (July 4 – July 25): Students choose one course from this session, such as Archaeology (4 credits)

TRACK	COURSE	DURATION	USA CREDITS	CONTACT HOURS
ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL	Archaeology Field School at the Temple of Zeus	3 weeks	4	60
ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	Italian Language & Culture (Single Module)	3 weeks	3	45

Archaeology Extension (making it 6 weeks): Since the Field School only takes place in Session II, students wishing to stay for 6 weeks must select an Italian module or a theoretical course in Session I

SUMMER SESSION III

COURSE LIST



Summer Session III (June 13 – July 25): This is the full 6-week itinerary

TRACK	COURSE	DURATION	USA CREDITS	CONTACT HOURS
ECOLOGY, CLIMATE CHANGE & BIODIVERSITY	Marine and Coastal Ecology in the Mediterranean	6 weeks	4	60
HUMAN RIGHTS, MIGRATION & SOCIAL JUSTICE	Research in Sicily	6 weeks	4	45
ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	Italian Language & Culture (Back-to-Back)	6 weeks	6	90

Students choosing a 6-week intensive course must combine it with a 3-week course from Session I



Syracuse: Your Campus by the Sea

- Location: UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Lifestyle: a safe, walkable, student-sized city
- Facilities: Neapolis Study Center & Ortigia Study Center (Palazzo Beneventano, 14th-century palace)



The Neapolis Study Center

A peaceful oasis by the sea in the heart of the archaeological area of Syracuse.



The Ortigia Study Center

Located on the island of Ortigia, in the 14th-century Palazzo Beneventano del Bosco, set in the most charming square in the city, Piazza Duomo.



SUMMER SCHOOL SESSIONS



SESSION I

SESSION II

SESSION III

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

22th Mar 2026

PROGRAM START

13th June 2026

PROGRAM END

4th July 2024

22th Mar 2026

4th July 2026

22th Mar 2026

13th June 2026

25th July 2024



FEES USA STUDENTS

USA UMN STUDENTS

3 Weeks: \$5,495
6 Weeks: \$9,550

Includes UMN & Big Ten \$500
discount if applicable



USA NON-UMN STUDENTS

3 Weeks: \$5,995
6 Weeks: \$10,050

Prices include tuition, housing and international health insurance



FEES USA STUDENTS



FINANCIAL SUPPORT OPTIONS

- **Federal Financial Aid** applies (processed via UMN). Visit the links below:
 - [UMN students](#)
 - [Non-UMN students](#)
- **Big Ten Academic Alliance** discount (\$500) automatically included in UMN pricing



NEXT STEPS USA STUDENTS



BOOK A CALL

Schedule a 1-to-1 session with our Advisor

APPLY AT UMN

Create your account or log in on [UMN Learning Abroad Center portal](#)

APPLICATION FEE

\$50 Application Fee on UMN site

ENROLL

Follow the instructions within the UMN portal





ECOLOGY & BIODIVERSITY

Experiential Highlights



Sailing with MareCamp to monitor whales and dolphins



Monitoring sea turtle nesting sites with WWF



Snorkeling census at Plemmirio Marine Protected Area

Academic Courses

- Mediterranean Conflict: Humans & Environment (Session I)
- Marine & Costal Ecology in the Mediterranean (Session III)



Ranked 2nd globally for Ecology. Ensures rigorous credit transfer and high standards.



ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL

Experiential Highlights



Exclusive access to active excavation sites at the Temple of Zeus



Artifact analysis at the Paolo Orsi Museum laboratories



Working alongside archaeologists from the University of Naples Federico II

Academic Courses

- Archaeology Field School at the Temple of Zeus (Session II)





HUMAN RIGHTS, MIGRATION & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Experiential Highlights

Partnering with the Siracusa International Institute (UN consultative status)

Engaging with local NGOs like Libera Terra (operating on mafia-confiscated lands)

Academic Courses

- Migration, Human Rights & Media (Session I)
- International Human Rights Law (Session I)
- Research in Sicily (Session III)





ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

Experiential Highlights



Survival Italian applied in the streets



Visits to traditional open-air markets



Traditional Sicilian cooking classes

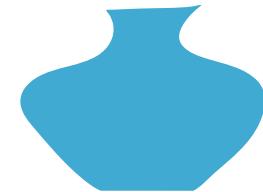
Available at all levels.

Can be taken as a single module (3 credits) or back-to-back for the full summer (6 credits)





BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: INCLUDED EXCURSIONS



Visit up to 3 **UNESCO** World Heritage Sites

Summer I Excursions:

Day trip to Favara Cultural Park & Valley of the Temples, Taormina & Mt. Etna

Summer II Excursions:

Day trip to Noto & Modica

Summer III Excursions :

•Includes ALL trips



LIVING IN SICILY

Seaside



Student-sized,
safe city



Walkable



HOUSING



Comfort
Socialize



Proximity





ACTIVITIES

Sports



Social
Activities &
Field Trips



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