

**SIUE Study Abroad Program at John Cabot University**  
**Summer and Semester Programs**  
**Rome, Italy**

Through an inter-institutional relationship with John Cabot University, SIUE students may apply to study abroad at John Cabot University for a semester or summer program to earn SIUE credit in various disciplines including Art History, Business, Marketing, History, Philosophy, Italian Studies, English Literature, and Political Science. Founded in 1972, JCU is the first American regionally accredited overseas liberal arts university in Italy.



**JCU fast facts**

- **Accreditation** JCU is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools ([www.msche.org](http://www.msche.org)).
- **Enrollment:** 850 students of which approximately 35% are 4-year degree seeking students and 65% are students from across the U.S. participating in study abroad programs similar to SIUE's.
- **Academics:** English is the language of instruction for all courses except for the Italian language classes. Average class size is 15:1. Course descriptions can be found at [http://www.johncabot.edu/Academics/Courses/Course\\_Descriptions.aspx](http://www.johncabot.edu/Academics/Courses/Course_Descriptions.aspx).
- **Location:** JCU is located in the historic center of Rome along the banks of the Tiber River and is a short walk to some of Rome's most historical sites: Piazza Navona, Campo dei Fiori, Piazza Venezia and the Roman Forum. JCU has two main campus buildings – the Guarini Campus and the Tiber Campus. Both campuses are wireless.
- **Housing Options: Option A (\$5,400 for spring 2012):** The **Gianicolo Residence** is home to a series of apartment-style student residences in Rome's Trastevere neighborhood. This learning and living community is just steps away from the Guarini campus and a short walk to the Tiber Campus Student Center and its dining services. Apartments house between two and eight students and include a kitchen, bathroom(s) and a common living space. Apartments are assigned to interested students by way of a lottery system. The building offers 24/7 security, a regular cleaning service, internet connection, and air conditioning. The Gianicolo Residence is home to the JCU Housing & Residence Life Office and houses Resident Assistants (RAs) throughout the building.

**Option B: Shared Apartments Outside the Residence (\$4,800 for Spring 2012)**

Students may also choose to be housed in shared apartments outside the Gianicolo Residence. Apartments are located throughout the city, within a 30 minute walk or bus ride to JCU, in buildings shared with Italian neighbors and integrated into Roman neighborhoods. This is a true immersion experience. Apartments offer standard amenities (a kitchen, 1-2 bathrooms depending on the number of residents, and a small common area) and house 4 to 6 students in double bedrooms. It is important to specify that in Italy, "the common area" may not denote a special room (like a living room), but additional seating space in the kitchen. While all apartments offer the same amenities, students will find that no two independent apartments are alike. More information about typical independent apartments can be found in the [Roman Housing Booklet](#).

- **Orientation Program:** Each semester JCU hosts students from the United States, Italy and 40 other countries from around the world. Orientation is a fundamental and highly beneficial step towards a smooth transition into the University and to Rome. Students are welcomed by Student Affairs Staff and Student Ambassadors who guide them through the Orientation process and integrate them into the JCU community. New students will attend a series of [mandatory workshops](#), and will have the option of participating in tours of JCU, guided tours of Rome and of attending numerous events sponsored by the University and the Roman community. Students can sign up for extracurricular activities such as soccer, hiking, yoga, sailing, wine tasting, Italian cooking classes, [trips](#) to Italian sites such as Pompeii, Florence, and Capri among others.

**Costs:**

SIUE students selected to participate in the study abroad program at John Cabot University pay John Cabot tuition rates (minus a 10% discount), JCU visiting student fee, and housing costs directly to John Cabot University. Accepted students will be assessed a \$75 SIUE Study Abroad Fee on the SIUE bursar bill for the semester abroad; no SIUE tuition or regular SIUE student fees will be assessed for the SIUE credit earned through study abroad at John Cabot. The normal JCU application fee is waived for SIUE students applying through the SIUE Office of International Programs. See [http://www.johncabot.edu/Admissions/Tuition\\_Fees.aspx](http://www.johncabot.edu/Admissions/Tuition_Fees.aspx) for a detailed breakdown of costs and due dates. SIUE financial aid (some grants and loans) will apply to toward this program. Students should talk with the Study Abroad Coordinator and the Financial Aid Office for specifics.

Example Budget of Expenses for Spring 2012 in U.S. Dollars

JCU tuition (10 - 17 credit hours) & fees* (including 10 % discount)	\$8,910
JCU housing	\$4,800 – 5,400
Meal Plan (optional) 60 meals	\$399
SIUE Study Abroad Fee	\$75
SIUE Tuition & Fees	0
Visa costs, govt. taxes & health insurance	\$200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,384–14,984</b>

**Additional Costs to Consider:**  
 Roundtrip airfare to Rome (\$1200- \$1500)  
 Meals  
 Personal Spending  
 Travel

*\* Fees include airport pickup at arrival, Orientation Week activities, computer lab fee, social and cultural activities, and access to sports facilities.*

**To apply:**

1. Schedule meeting with [Julie Beall-Marshall](#), SIUE Study Abroad Coordinator, to discuss your goals for study abroad, suitability of JCU as an academically appropriate site for your academic needs, and to seek approval to begin work on a JCU application.

**Complete and submit the following items to the SIUE Study Abroad Coordinator by the due date:**

2. [SIUE Student Application for Study Abroad](#).
3. Statement of purpose essay
4. Prepare “Study Abroad Course Proposal Form” with assistance from the SIUE Study Abroad Coordinator. Obtain necessary academic signatures of approval from the appropriate SIUE department.
5. One faculty letter of recommendation supporting your proposal to study abroad. Letter of support should be from an SIUE professor or instructor who can comment on your academic suitability for a study abroad experience. Letter should be sent directly to the SIUE Office of Study Abroad, Box 1159 (Attention: Julie Beall-Marshall).
6. Official SIUE transcript (minimum 2.75 GPA required).
7. John Cabot University online application form (or paper version submitted to SIUE Office of Study Abroad).

## Priority Application Deadlines:

Fall semester applications: **March 1**

Spring semester applications: **October 1**

Summer semester applications: **March 1**

## Calendar:

**Spring 2012:** January 11 – May 5, 2012

**Summer Session I, 2012:** May 17 – June 30

**Summer Session II, 2012:** July 5 – Aug 11



## For more information:

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