

## CIMBA UG Program Basic Info

When students start to consider a study abroad program, they will often have many questions. To assist you in advising students who are interested in the Italy Program, we have created a quick reference guide to help answer some frequently asked questions.

### Overview

**Location:** Paderno del Grappa, Italy (a small town about 1.5 hours NW of Venice)

**Terms Offered:** Fall, Spring and Summer

**Courses Offered:** Business, Economics, Journalism, Communication Studies and beginning-level Italian (semester only)

**Instruction Language:** English

**Application Deadlines:** Fall: April 15<sup>th</sup>; Spring: October 15<sup>th</sup>; Summer: February 1st

### Acceptance Criteria & Financial Aid

- GPA requirements vary according to program (summer required GPA is higher); refer to specific program information.
- Letter of recommendation is required for semester programs.
- Students should be at least 2<sup>nd</sup> semester sophomores when they intend to be in Italy.
- Financial aid and most scholarships can be used; students apply through their HOME university.
- Limited financial awards available through the Consortium. See website for application details.
- Students may apply for Resident Intern (RI) positions. See website for position descriptions and details.

### Courses & Grades

- Students are admitted and enrolled as non-degree seeking students at the University of Kansas.
- Students receive credit from the University of Kansas; this includes grades on a KU transcript.
- Students can earn 12 – 18 credits during a semester program, and 6 credits during the summer
- KU provides a transcript with final grades to the student's home university.
- Exact transfer rules vary depending on a student's home university.
- Meet with an advisor in advance of participation to ensure course work will count toward student's degree program.
- Class attendance is MANDATORY.
- Electives and core classes are offered.

### Campus Facilities

- Similar to a US campus
- Single and double rooms options are available in the residence halls
- Laundry facility on site – laundry tokens are included in program cost
- Cafeteria – all meals are included while classes are in session
- Computer lab; students with laptops may request in-room internet access and there is wireless access in the library
- Fitness center is fully equipped with weight and cardio equipment
- Basketball courts, soccer fields, tennis courts, pool and volleyball courts

### Extra-Curricular Activities & Cultural Immersion

- Offered during both the semester and summer programs; because of length, semester programs offer more.
- Activities include: professional development opportunities, intramural sports, language exchanges, local trips, authentic dinner excursions etc.
- Students are encouraged to interact with the local community as much as possible. Cultural excursions are encouraged and facilitated.

### Travel

- Travel is self-directed; students plan their own travel and activities.
- The Summer Program has two long weekends; students can travel before or after the program as well.
- The Semester Program has two long weekends, and two full-week travel breaks built into the program.
- Passport is needed for all students and depending on the program a visa may be needed as well.