

DRAFT - Purdue University Business and Economics Program Calendar Summer 2024

Thursday, May 9th	
09:45	Arrival at Catania airport and transfer to Syracuse housing - Group 1 <i>An Accent representative will be waiting for you with an Accent sign just outside the luggage collection area and accompany you to the vans that will transfer you to Syracuse.</i>
10:45	Housing check-in Group 1 <i>You will be housed in double bedrooms in shared apartments</i>
11:45	Arrival at Catania airport and transfer to Syracuse housing - Group 2
12:45	Housing check-in Group 2
14:15	Arrival at Catania airport and transfer to Syracuse housing - Group 3
15:15	Housing check-in Group 3
19:00	Welcome dinner <i>You are invited to the Welcome Dinner, which will allow you to get to know the Syracuse Accent staff, ask questions, and discuss your first impressions of Syracuse</i> Meeting Point: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Friday, May 10th	
09:00-10:30	Orientation meeting with Accent Staff Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
11:00-13:00	Ortygia Walking Tour <i>This guided walking tour will allow you to immerse yourself in the unique atmosphere of the island of Ortygia. You will be able to admire and learn about the Temple of Apollo, the Cathedral and Town Hall (both built upon the ruins of Athena's and Artemide's Greek temples) the Fonte Aretusa, the freshwater fountain springing amidst the sea</i> Meeting Point: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
15:30-17:30	Guided tour of the Neapolis Archaeological Park <i>While giving you an overview of the history of ancient Sicily, this guided tour will lead you inside one of the most important Greek archaeological complexes to be found in Southern Italy which hosts the largest Greek Theatre in Sicily</i> Meeting point: Neapolis Archaeological Park, Via Luigi Bernabò Brea
Saturday, May 11th - Sunday, May 12th	
	Free days
Monday, May 13th	
9:30-12:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. Sebastiano Patti #1 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23

15:00-16:30	Survival Italian Class #1 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Tuesday, May 14th	
9:30-12:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. Sebastiano Patti #2 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
15:00-16:30	Survival Italian Class #2 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Wednesday, May 15th	
9:30-12:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. Sebastiano Patti #3 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
12:45-14:45	Cooking class <i>In this cooking class you will learn to cook a full typical Sicilian meal with the help of a professional chef.</i> Venue: Neapolis Study Center, Piazzale San Marziano 1
Thursday, May 16th	
08:50-09:40	Bus transfer to Modica Meeting Point: Santuario Madonna delle Lacrime, Via del Santuario 1
10:00-12:00	Chocolate-making workshop <i>During this guided tour you will discover Modica, rich in baroque architecture and world-famous for its chocolate-making tradition that you will learn about and experience through a hands-on chocolate-making workshop.</i>
12:00-13:00	Free time for lunch & independent exploration in the Modica Historical Center
13:15-14:15	Bus transfer to Noto
14:30-17:00	Noto guided walking tour and wine tasting <i>In this guided tour you will explore the town of Noto, a perfect example of the 18th-century Baroque in Sicily and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which was destroyed by the earthquake of 1693 and rebuilt into what its inhabitants call today "The garden of stone". At the end of the tour you will be attending a wine tasting of three wines from the Val di Noto region, renowned for varieties such as Moscato.</i>
17:15-18:00	Bus transfer to Syracuse
Friday, May 17th	
09:30-12:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. MILETI #4 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
12:30	Free time for lunch
14:30-17:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. MILETI #5 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Saturday, May 18th – Sunday, May 19th	
Free days	
Monday, May 20th	
09:30-12:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. MILETI #6 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23

12:30	Free time for lunch
14:00-17:00	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. MILETI #7 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Tuesday, May 21st	
09:00-12:00 TBC	Company visit associated with Doing in Business in Sicily course TBC Meeting point: Santuario Madonna delle Lacrime, Via del Santuario 1
14:30-16:30	Guest speaker Francesco Messina associated with Doing Business in Sicily Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Wednesday, May 22nd	
Morning	Free
14:30-17:30	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. Sebastiano Patti #8 Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Thursday, May 23rd	
14:00-17:00	Class: Doing Business in Sicily-Prof. PATTI #9 (final exam) Venue: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
18:00	Farewell Reception Meeting point: Accent Sicily Center for Field Studies, Piazza Duomo 23
Friday, May 24th	
6:30	Housing check-out
7:00-7:50	Group transfer to Catania International Airport <i>Students will be accompanied by Julie B., Purdue Administrator, from Syracuse to Florence.</i> Meeting point: Santuario Madonna delle Lacrime, Via del Santuario 1
10:15	Departure on ITA Airways Flight AZ 1710
11:40	Arrival at Roma Fiumicino airport
13:40	Departure on ITA Airways Flight AZ 1677
14:35-16:15	Group arrival – transfer from airport to housing <i>An Accent representative will meet you at the Florence airport to arrange transfers to program housing.</i>
16:15-17:15	Apartment visits <i>An Accent staff member or a representative from the housing agency will explain how appliances and important items in the student apartments work. Students are encouraged to ask about any housing questions they may have.</i> Meeting point: students' apartments.
17:15-17:30	Practical Walking Tour to Accent Meeting point: In front of Museo Galileo - Piazza dei Giudici, 1
17:30-18:30	Program Orientation <i>This orientation will cover matters related to living in Florence as well as the main events of your program. Housing, safety, transportation, and the program schedule will all be discussed.</i> Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
Saturday, May 25th	
11:15-12:00	Duomo Climb <i>Completed in 1436, the Dome of the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, with its supple curves and innovative engineering, is the symbol and trademark of the genius of Filippo Brunelleschi.</i>

12:15	Guided Historical Walking Tour <i>Following the climb of the Duomo, the guides will walk you through the history of the Duomo complex and historical center of Florence. Your ticket includes entry to Museo dell'Opera del Duomo and the belltower you can visit on your own time.</i> Meeting point: At the exit of the Dome climb
Monday, May 27th	
10:00-12:00	Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
12:15	Group Lunch at Trattoria San Pierino Venue: Trattoria San Pierino - Via dell'Oriuolo 18r
14:00	Intercultural Learning Workshop: Topic: "Why having cappuccino after lunch is immoral (and almost illegal) in Italy" by Prof. Christian Tarchi <i>Cross-cultural psychologist Christian Tarchi will talk about Italian social rituals and traditions and will help you understand and adapt to Italy and its people.</i> Venue: Accent Sant'Egidio - Via Sant'Egidio 14
Tuesday, May 28th	
10:00-12:00	Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
Wednesday, May 29th	
10:00-12:00	Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
14:00	Uffizi Gallery Visit <i>The building was begun by Giorgio Vasari in 1560 for Cosimo I de' Medici to accommodate the offices of the Florentine magistrates, hence the name "Uffizi" (offices). Over the years, the palace was recruited to exhibit paintings and sculpture collected or commissioned by Medici family. It is now one of the largest and best-known museums in the world and holds a collection of priceless works, including masterpieces by Botticelli, Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo.</i> Meeting Place: TBC
Thursday, May 30th	
10:00-12:00	Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
Friday, May 31st	
10:00-12:00	Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
Saturday, June 1st - Sunday, June 2nd	
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Monday, June 3rd	
10:00-12:00	Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14
PM TBC	Beste Company Visit <i>Since 1992, Beste has grown into to a prestigious corporation that specializes in manufacturing high-quality and sustainable fabrics, but they have also expanded to produce multiple labels and innovative collections their own. Beste strives to be environmentally-conscious is a member of the Greenpeace Detox Project, and prides themselves on their continued sustainability in all aspects of their production lines.</i>

	<p><i>Since 2007, Beste has partnered and collaborated with Humao in Anqing, a company specialising in weaving natural fibres in China, to expand their production and integrate themselves within the leaders in the fashion industry in Asia. Just a few years ago, Beste began to collaborate with other raw material productions to focus on their Made in Italy products.</i></p> <p>Meeting Point: Piazza Unita TBC</p>
Tuesday, June 4th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
Wednesday, June 5th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
Thursday, June 6th	
All Day	<p>Siena & San Gimignano Excursion <i>See the excursion packet for more information and details.</i></p>
Friday, June 7th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
Saturday, June 8th - Sunday, June 9th	
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Monday, June 10th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
18:30	<p>Cooking Class at Florence Food Studio Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
Tuesday, June 11th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
Wednesday, June 12th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Class Time with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
Thursday, June 13th	
10:00-12:00	<p>Exam with Prof. Blanchard Venue: Sant'Egidio Study Center - Via Sant'Egidio 14</p>
12:30	<p>Farewell Lunch Venue: TBC</p>
Friday, June 14th	
	<p>Program End & Departure <i>Please check out of apartments by 12:00 pm. Buon viaggio!</i></p>