



# January in Rome, 2018

Classics 155:

The Art, Archaeology & Topography of Ancient Rome

January 2-16

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## Course Description

A survey and tour of the major spaces, surviving monuments and artifacts of the city of Rome from the earliest occupation of the Palatine around 1000 BCE to the first major Christian buildings in the 4th century CE. Students learn architectural building techniques, systems of dating based on types of stone and brickwork, problems in identifying surviving buildings, the iconography of Roman political sculpture, and issues of Roman copying and reuse of original Greek art. We consider the incorporation of Roman monuments into subsequent architecture, including Fascist political (re)use of archaeology, as well as problems of conservation in the context of the modern city. Finally, visits to the excavated cities of Pompeii and Ostia make visible the lives and activities of those lost in the literary record, including women and slaves.

## Cost of program per student: \$2900.00

This includes airfare, accommodations, local transportation, admission to sites and museums, books, breakfasts and dinners. Students will need to pay for lunches, souvenirs, travel and admissions on free days. This price is subject to change if we do not have at least 18 students. Applications are available from outside the department office (311 Old Main) and on the department website (<https://www.macalester.edu/academics/classics/studyaway/january/#/0>). A \$1000 deposit must also be made toward the program by the application deadline of **October 5**. Accepted students will need to pay the balance of the program fee (\$1900) by **November 16**. If you are on financial aid from Macalester College, you will be able to apply for aid for this course. Grants in previous years have been \$500. For confirmed information, contact the Financial Aid Office. Students meeting the same requirements can seek further aid from the department and/or apply for a student loan up to the cost of the trip.

ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM, ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE, EVEN IF YOU WITHDRAW FROM THE COURSE.

## **Preparations**

We will have three pre-departure meetings in the Fall of 2017 on Thursday, October 19, November 2 and November 16. These will be over the lunch hour (11:30-12:45pm) and will include an introduction to the course and assignments, an overview of Roman history and archaeology, an orientation to modern Italian culture and language, and a practical discussion of what to pack and what to expect. **Attendance at these meetings is required** -- they are considered part of the course. Students will also have assigned readings and two presentations to prepare before departure for Rome.

## **Assignments**

Your course grade will be based on participation in all activities associated with the program, two quizzes, two presentations in Rome, on-site projects in the city, and one report on a self-guided site visit. The presentations need to be prepared before departure. The first involves the selection and reading of a passage from ancient literature (in translation) that demonstrates influence from the physical surroundings of the city. Each student will also prepare and present a ten minute talk on a selected artifact, monument, building, phenomenon or site in Rome.

## **Tentative Itinerary**

- 2 (Tues): Departure from MSP
- 3 (Wed): Arrive in Rome, travel to HOTEL TRASTEVERE (Via Luciano Manara n. 24a/25)
- 4 (Thurs): Capitoline & Route of the Triumph, Palatine Hill
- 5 (Fri): Republican & Imperial Fora, Colosseum
- 6 (Sat): Palazzo Massimo Museum (long morning)
- 7 (Sun): Largo Argentina Project, Ara Pacis & Campus Martius
- 8 (Mon): Rest Day / Independent Site Visits
- 9 (Tues): Pompeii
- 10 (Wed): Rest Day / Independent Site Visits
- 11 (Thurs): Vatican area in antiquity, St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican necropolis (long morning)
- 12 (Fri): Ostia
- 13 (Sat): Vatican Museums
- 14 (Sun): San Clemente Project (afternoon only)
- 15 (Mon): Religions and Art of Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque Rome (morning only)
- 16 (Tues): Return to US

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## APPLICATION

**DUE OCTOBER 5, 2017:**

This form, a signed student waiver, a signed parent/guardian waiver, and a one-page statement of purpose to Herta Pitman, Classics Department Coordinator, 311 Old Main.

*and*

**A \$1000 deposit** (not refundable if you are accepted) is due to Student Accounts. *See the back of this form for information on how to make your deposit.*

Name (as it appears on your passport): \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Macalester Student ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number and Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender (for rooming): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
(include names, phone and address)

Languages: \_\_\_\_\_ Major/Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

How will you fly to Rome? *Note this is binding – we will not buy you a ticket if you indicate now you are making your own travel arrangements. The amount we pay for other student flights will be deducted from your second payment if you purchase your own airline tickets.*

- I will fly with the group out of MSP.
- I will make my own travel arrangements and meet the group at the hotel.

**Attach a one-page statement of purpose explaining your interest in the Rome Program. Submit your statement, this application form and both signed waivers to 311 Old Main by October 5. ALSO make a deposit of \$1000 in your Student Account by October 5.**

## PROGRAM FEES AND DEPOSITS

The total fee for the 2018 program is **\$2900**, which includes airfare, accommodations, local transportation, admission to sites and museums, books, breakfasts and dinners. Students will need to pay for lunches, souvenirs, travel and admissions on free days.

A deposit of **\$1000** must be made by the application deadline of **October 5**. Deposit payments should be made to your Macalester Student Billing account -- either in person at Student Accounts or on-line through 1600grand. At the time of making the payment, you must inform the Cashier in Student Accounts that the payment is specifically for "January in Rome." For payments made at the 1600grand on-line payment site (where credit card payments are possible) this will require an additional e-mail to Mary Johnson at mjohns15@macalester.edu to let her know your deposit has been made for this course.

Decisions on who has been accepted into the program will be made within a week of the application deadline. The \$1000 deposit will be returned if you are not accepted into the program, but otherwise it becomes **non-refundable**. We will use this money to purchase airline tickets and make other expenditures on your behalf, so that even if you are unable to participate due to unforeseen circumstances, the money will not be able to be refunded.

The remainder of the program fee (**\$1900**) will appear as a bill in your account that needs to be paid by **November 15**. Before that deadline, Financial Aid will make their contribution toward your fees if you qualify for support. We will also purchase tickets for those traveling with the group before that deadline so we will know how much to deduct for those making their own arrangements. To estimate how much less you will need to pay if you are traveling to Rome on your own, search Orbitz for a roundtrip ticket MSP-Rome, Italy on the specified dates of the program. Travel arrangements and financial aid adjustments for each student will be made so that how much *you* still owe will be noted in your Student Account well before November 15.

Just to be clear -- **ONCE YOU ARE ACCEPTED INTO THE PROGRAM, ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE, EVEN IF YOU WITHDRAW FROM THE COURSE.**

## PRE-DEPARTURE SESSIONS

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