

Auburn University Catania, Italy Exchange Program



Founded by the people of Chalcidice in 729 B.C. on the bare lavic ground, Catania is known as “the black pearl of the Ionian sea” as the city rises in a wonderful strip of rocky coast, where the black Aetnean basaltic stone shapes a high and indented cliff. It sits at the foot of the tallest and only active volcano of Europe, Mount Etna. The volcano is 3,300 meters in height above sea level. Etna offers various attractions and tourist structures, such as skiing, a wonderful golf course, and numerous hotels and high altitude shelters. Along the 5 kms of tourist beach, there are 42 bathing establishments, 3 tourist resorts and 2 hotels, as well as various accommodations and restaurant services.

AU College of Liberal Arts has established a student exchange program with its counterpart at the University of Catania, which is comprised of scholars from different disciplines such as Classics, Philology, History, Philosophy, Psychology, Arts, Literature and Communication. Founded in 1434 on the coast of Sicily, the University also has a leading Euro-Med Center created by the Department of Political Studies to develop research on Euro-Med relations, comparative politics, and international relations. The University of Catania aims to offer students the possibility of growth from the human and scientific point of view. It is meant as a laboratory where the ancient knowledge of the Mediterranean culture meets new technologies for students to receive original and advanced training in a hospitable and generous city, which has, for centuries, been the meeting point of relations between the East and the West.

Program Details:

- Options for semester or year-long exchanges
- Open to all majors in the College of Liberal Arts
- Courses taught in English or Italian
- Option for intensive Italian courses tailored to foreign students
- Full time is 12 hours for undergraduates, 9 hours for graduate students
- Students must have a 2.5 undergraduate GPA, or 3.0 graduate GPA
- Housing provided in University of Catania dorms
- **Pay Auburn University tuition while getting to attend a University abroad!**
- Options for many excursions to visit historical sites in Italy
- Full immersion into the local culture
- Application Deadlines
 - Fall Semester - 1st week of June
 - Spring Semester – October 15th

For more information, please visit the program website:

https://studyabroad.auburn.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=10889 Or
<http://www.cla.auburn.edu/cla/cce/abroad-opportunities/italy/>

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