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Bergamo – Italy Study Tour 2020

Undergraduate & Postgraduate
UniSA Business Students

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Why choose a study tour with UniSA?

- Once-in-a-lifetime experience
- Experience a new culture (and language)
- Develop your independent learning skills
- Build international networks and make new friends
- Increase your emotional intelligence and build resilience
- Overall enhance your career prospects and employability



The study tour experience..

What to expect:

- 2 weeks in country
- Enrolled in one 4.5 unit course at UniSA
- You will travel together as a group of 20 UniSA Business Students, UniSA Academic and Staff (no travel before or after permitted)
- The tour consists of a mix between cultural and sight seeing visits
- Industry and networking opportunities
- Taste of a new country for future career prospects
- Make new friends
- Overall enhance your career prospects and employability



Student expectations and responsibilities

- We expect all students to represent the university in a professional manner (e.g. dress appropriately and respect fellow students/staff and networks)
- Students must understand a study tour is an academic tour and not a “Contiki” or holiday opportunity
- The tour itinerary is intensive for 2 weeks with daily activities plus homework at night for assignments
- All activities in the study tour itinerary are compulsory – e.g. non-attendance due to a hangover will not be tolerated
- If the UniSA code of conduct is breached by a student whilst on tour, they will be sent home



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Picture Above:

Study tour students on the Vietnam, Singapore and Laos meeting the UniSA Vice Chancellor, Professor David Lloyd at a UniSA alumni networking function

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What do employers recognise about overseas study?

From overseas study, students will enhance their skills set in:

- Understanding of the complexity of global issues
- Applying disciplinary knowledge in a global context
- Intercultural awareness
- Adaptability and tolerance
- Self-confidence and self-reliance
- Open-mindedness and independence



About the Tour

This tour is for both undergraduate and postgraduate students with an interest in international accounting. This tour will mainly take place in Bergamo (north of Italy, 1 hour train ride from Milan).

Dates for the tour are approx. 21 November to 7 December 2020.

Tour is led by UniSA academic – Professor Christine Helliard.



Important Tour Dates

The tour has important dates that you will need to ensure that you are available for should you be successful on gaining a plan on the tour:

Activity	Dates
“Accounting 101” pre-departure workshop aimed at non-finance or accounting students	Thursday 15 Oct 2020 10.00am – 12.00pm, Room: TBC
Academic Pre-departure workshop*	Thursday 15 Oct 2020 1.00pm – 3.00pm, Room: TBC
Travel logistics pre-departure workshop*	Thursday 5 Nov 2020 10.00am – 12.00pm, Room: TBC
Study Tour*	21 November – 7 December 2020 (tbc)
Post return workshop*	Friday 15 January 2020 2.00pm – 3.00pm, Room: TBC

*Please note that your attendance is compulsory. However, interstate UO students – your attendance is optional at the pre-departure sessions, a scheduled 1:1 appointment (skype or in person) to cover information is compulsory. If attending in person it will be an additional expense on top of the study tour fee.

Session and travel dates are to be confirmed (TBC) due to COVID-19 travel suspensions and UniSA approval to travel



In Bergamo, Italy!



About Bergamo

- Located in the Lombardy Region (North of Italy)
- Large city and it's old town attracts most of its visitors thanks to the historical quirks
- Lots of corner shops that specialise in everything from pizza to meats.
- The regional specialty Polenta e Osei – yellow fondant and the bird marzipan with creamy hazelnut centre
- Bergamo grew as a key town in Mediaeval times and now is a bridge between Western and Eastern Europe
- Galleries and museum's a plenty!
- Only 1 hour train ride away from Milan



Hosted at University of Bergamo

- Also known as “UniBG”
- Campus of Economics and Law is situated in the City of Bergamo
- UniBG walking distance from the train station
- Meet at the hotel and walk to class with your fellow study tour students
- Study along side Italian students in the same class
- Study International Accounting, taught in English by Professor Christine Helliar for 2-3 hours per day



Tour Highlights

- Experience visits to iconic destinations including (TBC):
 - Milan
 - Florence
 - Venice
 - Verona
 - Surrounding areas of Bergamo
- Learn about International Accounting
- Gain exposure to global business in an unique European context
- Attend classes at Bergamo University taught by Professor Christine Helliar



Assessment

Successful students will be enrolled by the Student Mobility team into either:

- BUSS 2070 for Undergraduate on campus or UO Students
- BUSS 5413 for Postgraduate Students or undergraduate advanced elective students

Assessment

1. Attendance and participation*
2. Team work & in-country presentation (video recording)
3. Group Report
4. Reflective Journal

**students must be actively involved in the tour eg. positive interaction with other students/staff on the tour, turning up on time, asking questions in class, attending pre and post workshops, attending the tour*





What this means for your program?

Undergraduate:

This study tour is pre-approved course substitution for ACCT 1009 Accounting for Business for B.Bus Students (except B.Bus Finance)

This study tour can be taken as an elective with program director approval

For UO undergraduate students, you must obtain program facilitator approval to be taken as an elective in your program.

Postgraduate:

This study tour can be taken as an elective with program director approval

Lecco, Lake Como



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What if I am an UniSA Online Student?

As per UniSA Study Tour Policy students must travel and return together as a group on the aforementioned tour dates.

We run pre-departure workshops which will be compulsory to be completed via skype or phone meeting.

How this will work for you?

If you are an UniSA Online accepted student on the study tour – you will book your own flights and send us the flight itinerary for risk and insurance purposes. Then the cost of the group flight booked at UniSA will be deducted from your overall study tour fee.

Please note that the flight dates that you book must be the same dates as the study tour group travel dates.

You may choose to attend the on campus pre-departure session or fly with the group return from Adelaide , however the additional expenses of travel between Adelaide and your home destination will be your responsibility.



Eligibility Criteria

- A GPA of 4.0 or above*
- Undergraduate students must have completed 18 units in their current program, Postgraduate students must have completed 9 units*
- No more than 2 course fail grades in your current program
- At least one free elective in your current program
- A current valid passport for travel with more than 6 months expiry
- Students must be 18 years of age or older
- Students must undertake their exchange activity outside of Australia and their country of citizenship



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*Students in their first study period at UniSA are still eligible to apply for the study tour. You must be enrolled full time at the point of application. The study tour officer will monitor your progress throughout the study period to ensure that you remain enrolled and passing your courses.

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How to apply?

STEP 1:

We require a 300 word statement of why you would like to go on the tour, how this tour will help build your studies and overall career (no need to academic reference).

Please include your: Student ID, Program Name and Program Code. Send your application to business.mobility@unisa.edu.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 7 August 2020



How to apply – cont'd

STEP 2:

Once you have applied the Business School mobility team will assess if you are eligible to participate in the tour. This will be based on your statement along with the criteria requirements

An interview may be required.

STEP 3:

Should you meet the requirements the Business School mobility team will send you an offer and you will need to pay a \$1000 deposit invoice to secure your place on the tour



What we will organise for you:

The UniSA Business Study Tour Officer will administer all tour and travel logistics for the tour:

- Compulsory pre and post return workshops (2 sessions prior to departure and 1 after tour). There is one optional accounting support session for non finance/accounting students
- Travel grant application
- Enrolment into the course
- Flights*
- Accommodation
- All itinerary items

**Please note: UniSA policy states that on campus students (non-UniSA Online students) are required to travel together as a group and there is no deviations from the planned itinerary.*

UO Students must ensure that they book their own international flights and send their itinerary to the study tour officer prior to departure.



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What you will need to organise

You will need to organise any incidentals, these costs are in addition to the study tour fee:

- **Passport:** Ensure that your passport has a minimum of 6 months expiry after your return date to Australia
- **Visa:** Tourist visa is required for non-Australian Citizens
- **OS HELP Loan:** If you fulfil the requirements and want to apply



Study Tour Costs..

We try to keep costs down for students as much as possible but as you can imagine you are studying a course in an international location which means there are additional costs:

Costs	Estimated Amount
Fees for one 4.5 unit course in your program	This depends on what program you are in – UG or PG
Study Tour fee – flights, accommodation, transportation. 2 week itinerary (cultural and sightseeing), industry and academic visits UniSA Online Students ONLY – your study tour fee does not include flights. You must provide UniSA with the travel itinerary.	This fee is estimated between \$4,500 to \$5,500* <i>This fee can not be deferred to HECS</i>
Spending money – meals, personal entertainment, transportation (e.g. taxi's)	Eg. \$100AUD per day
Incidentals – vaccinations, visa etc	See previous slide



Funding options

UniSA & OS HELP offers funding options to help support the cost of travel expenses and associated fees (*subject to criteria):

Study Tour	UniSA Business Subsidy + UniSA International*	OS HELP Loan (UG, Aus citizens only)*	TOTAL
Bergamo	\$2,000	Up to \$6,913	\$8,913

Students for this tour are able to apply for up to **\$8,913 funding and loan** for the India tour, providing they meet the requirements. Please see next slide for eligibility requirements.

*criteria applies



Travel grant eligibility criteria

- No more than 9.0 unit fails in your current program (2 courses)
- Program director approval to undertake the study tour
- One elective free in your program
- Minimum GPA of 4.0 (this can be waived if in your first study period at UniSA)

Additional OS HELP LOAN eligibility criteria:

- Student must be an Australian Citizen
- Student must be enrolled in a commonwealth supported undergraduate program at UniSA e.g. eligible for HECS HELP
- Student must have completed 36 units in the current program (conditional offers can be made on minimum unit condition)
- Students must have one course (4.5 units) to return to at UniSA after their participation in the study tour



Contact Us



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