# **Host Organizations - Florence**

# ARCHITECTURE

## Andrea Ponsi Architect

Architect Ponsi is a finalist and winner of numerous international competitions. He has been designing innovative public buildings, commercial interiors and urban townscapes for over 30 years and is well known for his unique furniture designs using copper and other soft metals. The intern assists Architect Ponsi with model building and project designs. Experience using CAD is helpful.

Language requisites: None. Website: www.andreaponsi.it

#### iMage, Viewpoints on Architecture

iMage is an architectural communications firm which employs advanced communications technologies to effectively promote, develop and display new ideas in architecture. The student intern will assist with carrying out project designs and should have prior experience using computer graphics software. Recommended for architecture and communications students. Language requisites: None.

Website: www.image-web.org

# **CLASSICAL STUDIES**

#### Centro di Restauro

The Centro di Restauro is the restoration laboratory for Florence's renowned archeological museum, which hosts one of the most important collections of Etruscan art in Europe. The intern classifies and catalogues pieces for the museum's collection. Recommended for students of classical studies and art history. The laboratory is located outside of the downtown area. Interested students should allow approx. 40 minutes for travel time each way.

Language requisites: Intermediate Italian.

Website: www.comune.firenze.it/soggetti/sat

#### **COMMUNICATIONS, JOURNALISM**

(SU communications students please note: the Newhouse School of Communications does not give department credit for internships done overseas. Internships can, however, be done for generic IPA credit.)

#### Florence TV/Web TV

Florence TV is a local television station in Florence that seeks broadcasting students to assist in the production and final cut editing of video clips about Florence for broadcast on their web TV. Students will make their own video clips about Florence and Italy participating in the entire

production process from start to finish. Students will also do editing for an online column called "USA chiama Italia." Eligible students should have some broadcasting experience, either theoretical or practical, and demonstrate initiative, creativity and reliability in their work. **Language requisites:** Intermediate Italian.

Website: <u>www.florence.tv</u>

# Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco

The Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco is a private foundation whose mission is to promote intercultural dialogue among different countries, with special emphasis on East/West relations, and to promote an awareness of cultural heritages and diversities among young people. The internship is offered for 2 credits (90 hours) only. The internship aims to communicate the meaning of cultural heritage to young people and to promote the concept of travel beyond consumer "tourism." Interns will work on the *Life Beyond Tourism project* (LBT portal and photo blogs) and on promoting events related to this project. The main tasks will be to develop 1) a contact network and 2) a blog and photoblog on the following topics: Cultural Heritage, Cultural Diversity, Tourism & Travel, Inter-Cultural Dialogue. Recommended for Photography, Communications and Marketing majors.

Language requisites: None.

Website: www.fondazione-delbianco.org; www.lifebeyondtourism.com

# Il Giornale della Toscana

Il Giornale della Toscana is a newspaper based in Florence. It is the regional section of the national newspaper "Il Giornale" and has been published since 1998. Readers can find daily news about politics, culture, entertainment and sports in Tuscany. The current editor is Luciano Olivari and the partnership with Syracuse University has been active since summer 2011. Students will be asked to write short stories on everyday life in Florence. If approved students' articles will be published.

Language requisites: 3 semesters of Italian. Website: <u>www.ilgiornaledellatoscana.it</u>

# Magenta Editrice, English-language publishing house

Magenta Editrice produces *Vista, Florence & Tuscany*, a magazine providing an in-depth panorama of Tuscany's culture and cultural happenings. Magenta also publishes *Month by Month*, which provides live coverage of Tuscan events, in addition to its travel books. Managed by the area's only professionally-accredited American journalist, a professional team of photographers and designers as well as expatriate writers integrated into the fabric of Italian life produce Magenta's publications on site in Tuscany. There are internship opportunities for writers, graphic designers and photographers as well as the opportunity to contribute to the new website.

Language requisites: None. Website: <u>www.vistaflorence.com</u>

# Mega Review Srl - *ViviFirenze* Magazine

Mega Review is an Italian communications firm that produces a monthly magazine in Italian and

English called *ViviFirenze*. The magazine, which is widely circulated throughout the province of Florence, aims to provide readers with basic information about Florence and its surrounding areas. The intern copyedits and writes articles for the English-language version of the magazine. Recommended for students of journalism and communications.

Language requisites: Beginner's Italian.

Website: www.mega.it

#### Rollinglobe

Rollinglobe is an organization dedicated to travel and culture. The organization's website provides links to travelers blogs and tips for getting the most out of travel destinations with a particular focus on non-tourist attractions. Anyone can sign into the website and share his or her travel experience. The intern will contribute by posting travel blogs.

Language requisites: None.

Website: <u>www.rollinglobe.com</u>

#### SeeTen TV Magazine

Seeten is an English-language TV magazine which provides tourists with information about the city of Florence, upcoming artistic and cultural events, and traveling tips and advisories. The intern takes part in every aspect of program production, including reporting live on TV. Available for a minimum of 90 contact hours (2 credits) only.

Language requisites: None.

Website: www.seeten.it

#### **The Florence Newspaper**

Florence Newspaper is an online journal featuring articles on various aspects of Florentine culture and business life. This online newspaper offers students the opportunity to do an internship for a semester in the areas of written and photo journalism, to work with Italian printing and press offices, and to interact professionally with the local community and culture. **Language requisites:** Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.florencenewspaper.it

#### The Florentine (Bi-monthly newspaper)

The Florentine is a bi-weekly English-language newspaper published in Florence. It aims to help English-speaking visitors become better acquainted with the city of Florence and its surrounding communities. It reports on local and national Italian news and publishes an extensive list of current events in and around Florence. The intern writes articles of general interest for English-speaking residents and visitors to Florence.

Language requisites: None.

Website: www.theflorentine.net

#### Weekend a Firenze

Weekend a Firenze is an e-commerce company which has been selling tourism-based products and services throughout the world since 1995. With approx 100,000 new customers every year it manages several primary tourism portals and partners with many companies in Italy and abroad. The company seeks interns who have experience and competence in web marketing, CRM and/or web design. As the company is located in Prato, 12 miles west of Florence, students

should allow approx. 1 hour travel time each direction. Language requisites: None. Website: <u>en.firenze.waf.it</u>

#### **DRAMA and THEATER**

#### Accademica Teatrale di Firenze: Laboratorio Teatrale

The Accademia Teatrale di Firenze conducts theater classes and workshops for children and teenagers, ages seven to nineteen. All classes are conducted in Italian. The intern assists in leading theatrical games, exercises, and other activities while gaining familiarity with characteristically Italian techniques and traditions in theater, such as the use of masks and "gestural vocabulary." In the spring semester the intern helps organize the year-end performance. Experience with theatrical performance and production is required.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.accademia-teatrale.it

#### **Florence International Theater Company**

The Florence International Theater Company (FITC) is an international, English speaking theatre company in Florence that seeks to create a renaissance of theatrical tradition in Florence while reflecting the city's international status. FITC develops an approach to performance that brings together the techniques of American and Italian Theatre, creating works of art primarily in English and sharing these with the Tuscan community. Internships are available in the following areas:

1) **Stage Management:** The intern assists the stage manager in every aspect of his/her work, attending performances and rehearsals. Ideal for Drama students.

2) **Theatre Management:** The intern is involved in the technical management of the theatre, such as managing the box office, supervising volunteers, and handling ticket sales. Recommended for Management or Drama students.

3) Scenes and Costume making: The intern assists set designers and costume makers with designing, planning and making scenes and costumes. Recommended for Visual Arts students. Language requisites: None.

Website: www.florencetheater.com

#### **EDUCATION**

#### **Cooperativa Sociale G.Barberi**

The social cooperative G.Barberi was instituted in 1990 thanks to young volunteers who felt the need to give their time, dedication and professional help to empower young adults with special needs. The intern will work with volunteers of the organization participating in activities which may include ceramic classes, therapeutic dance, bricolage, gardening, arts and crafts, weaving, and music depending on the schedule. Interns must be able to relate well others.

# Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.centrobarbieri.it

# **Elementary Schools**

The elementary school intern works with a class of 20-25 children ages 6 to 10 assisting the teacher with classroom activities in English. In some cases the intern creates and carries out her/his own program, in others s/he follows that of the teacher. In both cases the intern is encouraged to share traditional American games, songs and folklore with the class. Recommended for students of education and the performing arts, but open to anyone enthusiastic about working with children. Available for IPA credit only. Language requisites: Beginner's Italian.

# **High Schools**

The high school intern works with one or more classes of 25-30 students, age 15 to 19, leading in-class discussions, games or other activities in English. Recommended for students of education, psychology, communications or the performing arts, but open to anyone enthusiastic about working with young people. Available for IPA credit only. **Language requisites:** Beginner's to intermediate Italian.

# **ENGLISH AND TEXTUAL STUDIES**

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Language requisites: None.

Website: <u>www.rollinglobe.com</u>

# Santa Croce Bloggers' Project

The Santa Croce Bloggers Project is an opportunity for students to get to know the Church of Santa Croce with its wealth of art, history and religion closely intertwined with the city of Florence. Each intern will be expected to write blogs on topics such as: things not to miss in Santa Croce; interviews with friars, restorers, scholars and visitors; or Santa Croce through the eyes of artists throughout the centuries

Language requisite: English, basic Italian.

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Language requisites: None.

Website: www.theflorentine.net

#### **FILM**

#### Laboratorio Immagine Donna

The Laboratorio Immagine Donna has been actively focusing on women and Italian cinema for the past fifteen years. It organizes film festivals, lectures and screenings of films by female directors, and films that address women & gender issues. The intern assists with the organization of events promoted by the association.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian. Website: <u>www.laboratorioimmaginedonna.it</u>

#### Mediateca Regionale Toscana

Mediateca Regionale Toscana is an audiovisual communications center which houses approx. 11,000 films and a collection of over 8,000 books on film and cinematography in Tuscany. The library is used by critics, students and film buffs alike. In addition to producing audiovisual materials, the library promotes educational and cultural events related to film and cinema in the region of Tuscany. One or two interns each semester will assist staff with organizing upcoming festivals and events and may also be asked to help with digital cataloguing, organizing archives and translating from Italian into English for the Mediateca's website. Preference will be given to students who can dedicate at least an entire morning or afternoon a week and/or an occasional Friday.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.mediatecatoscana.it

#### **HISTORY**

#### Istituto Nazionale di Studi sul Rinascimento (INSR)

The INSR is a research institute for Renaissance studies and a member of the IRIS Consortium, a network of Florentine libraries specializing in Renaissance art history. The intern updates the consortium's extensive archives and databases. Recommended for students of history with good organizational skills.

Language requisites: Beginner's to intermediate Italian. Website: <u>www.insr.it</u>

#### Istituto Storico della Resistenza in Toscana (ISRT)

The ISRT is an institute for historical research that promotes the study of the Anti-Fascist and Resistance movement as well as a greater understanding of contemporary European and Italian history through its documentary archive and library consisting of more than 50,000 books and 2,500 periodicals. The institute also organizes training courses for teachers and students. The intern thus has the opportunity to experience a remarkable Italian cultural institution while keeping archives and records, managing a specialized library, and participating in historical education programs offered to schools and other associations.

Language prerequisite: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.istoresistenzatoscana.it

#### Museo dei Ragazzi

The Associazione Museo dei Ragazzi offers guided tours of the secret passages and optical illusion rooms of Palazzo Vecchio to tourists and visitors. In the early part of the internship the intern receives training to give the tours and then in the second phase conducts the tours. The intern must be able to dedicate at least 10 hours of work a week. Recommended for students of history and art history.

Language requisites: None. Website: <u>brunelleschi.imss.fi.it/ist/luogo/associazionemuseoragazzi.html</u>

#### **HISTORY OF ART**

#### Ars et Fides (Florentine Churches) - Spring Only

Ars et Fides is a volunteer organization which offers free guided tours of some of the most important Florentine churches. The aim is to provide tourists with a deeper understanding of the religious and conceptual background of the church's history in addition to its artistic and architectural importance. The intern may give tours of Santa Maria del Fiore (Duomo), Santa Croce, Santa Maria Novella or San Lorenzo. He/she must be available to work on a regular basis from 10:30-12:00 a.m. or 3:00-5:00 p.m. twice a week. All information necessary to conduct the tours in English is provided by the organization.

Language requisites: None.

Website: www.arsetfides.com

#### **Biblioteca degli Uffizi**

The Biblioteca degli Uffizi is a prestigious research library that focuses on works of art exhibited in state museums in Florence, including the adjacent Uffizi Gallery. The intern works on projects such as preparing auction-house catalogues and verifying data in the library's on-line catalogue. Good organizational skills and some background in art history are required.

#### Language requisites: None

Website: www.polomuseale.firenze.it/biblioteche/bib\_uffizi.asp

#### Centro di Restauro

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classifies and catalogues pieces for the museum's collection. Recommended for students of classical studies and art history. The laboratory is located outside of the downtown area. Interested students should allow approx. 40 minutes for travel time each way.

Language requisites: Intermediate Italian.

Website: www.comune.firenze.it/soggetti/sat

# Frittelli Art Gallery

The Frittelli Art Gallery is one of the most important galleries of contemporary art in Florence. The gallery has recently been renovated to include more space for solo exhibitions, new rooms for private collections and a multimedia auditorium for conferences. Interns may assist the gallery owners with setting up exhibits, promoting the gallery to the general public, and managing correspondence between gallery owners and artists who have participated in past exhibitions. Recommended for students of studio art and art history.

Language requisites: Beginner to Intermediate Italian

Website: http://www.frittelliarte.it/en/

# Loeser Collezione, Palazzo Vecchio

The Loeser Collection in the Palazzo Vecchio is a complex and varied assortment of works collected by the late American art historian, Charles Loeser, and donated to the city of Florence. Loeser's collection includes important paintings, sculptures and furniture from the medieval and Renaissance periods. The intern will give guided tours and will work to publicize the collection to the English-speaking public in Florence through the distribution of materials and interaction with the city's English-speaking academic community.

Recommended for students of art history.

Language requisites: Intermediate Italian.

Website: www.museicivicifiorentini.it/en/palazzovecchio/

# Museo Archeologico di Firenze

The Museo Archeologico di Firenze hosts one of the most important collections of Etruscan art in Europe. The intern classifies and catalogues pieces in the museum's collection and, when possible, participates in trips to archeological sites outside of Florence. Recommended for students of classical studies and archeology (CLA or FIA credit).

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.comune.firenze.it/soggetti/sat/didattica/museo.html

#### Museo Bellini

The private collection of antiques purchased over centuries by the historic Florentine Bellini family is now on display in the family palace. Interns have the unique opportunity of working among paintings, sculptures and other collectibles that span the 14th to the 18th centuries. Work includes cataloguing and filing old photographs of works of art and/or organizing and preparing small group visits to the collection. Recommended for students of art history.

Language Requisite: Italian is not required. Knowledge of another foreign language is helpful. **Website**: <u>www.bellinigallery.com</u>

# Museo dell'Opera del Duomo

The Museo dell'Opera del Duomo brings together an extensive and valuable collection of art

originally produced for and located in the cathedral, baptistery and bell tower of Florence. The intern gives guided tours of the museum to English-speaking tourists. Recommended for students of art history. Enthusiasm and confidence speaking in front of people are very helpful. Punctuality and reliability are essential.

Language requisites: Beginner's to intermediate Italian.

Website: www.arnolfofirenze.it/museo\_opera\_duomo/index.htm

# Museo dei Ragazzi

The Associazione Museo dei Ragazzi offers guided tours of the secret passages and optical illusion rooms of Palazzo Vecchio to tourists and visitors. In the early part of the internship the intern receives training to give the tours and then in the second phase conducts the tours. The intern must be able to dedicate <u>at least 10 hours a week</u>, therefore the internship is only available for <u>a minimum of 2 credits</u> (90 hours for the semester). Recommended for students of history and art history.

Language requisites: None.

Website: brunelleschi.imss.fi.it/ist/luogo/associazionemuseoragazzi.html

# **Opificio delle Pietre Dure**

For centuries the Opificio delle Pietre Dure was a workshop for the artistic production of semiprecious stones founded by Ferdinand I de' Medici in 1588. Today its modern facilities host a conservation workshop, a school of restoration and a museum, where an impressive collection of artifacts from semi-precious stones is displayed. As part of the museum's efforts to make itself better known among international visitors and residents of Florence, the intern will assist the museum director with building contacts with cultural associations and English-language publications in and around Florence. Recommended for students of art history and communications.

Language requisites: Intermediate Italian.

Website: www.opificio.arti.beniculturali.it/eng/index.htm

# Villa I Tatti: The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies

Villa I Tatti is one of the most prestigious Renaissance art history libraries in the world and houses the private art collection of its former owner Bernard Berenson. The intern works in the slide/photo library helping to organize and update the library's extensive collection and is exposed to one of the city's most important centers of international culture. Precision and good organizational skills are required.

Language requisites: None. Website: itatti.harvard.edu

# ITALIAN

# **Centro UNESCO di Firenze**

Centro UNESCO di Firenze is the Florence chapter of the worldwide organization whose acronym stands for United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. The chapter organizes activities and events aimed at promoting world peace and cooperation among school-aged children in and around Florence. The intern helps with the organization and promotion of these events. Good organizational skills are required. Availability to work mornings preferred.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian. Website: associazioni.comune.firenze.it/unesco/homeingl.htm

#### Dipartimento d'Italianistica - Università degli Studi di Firenze

The Dipartimento d'Italianistica is one of the University of Florence's most prestigious faculties. The intern may be assigned to work in the department's library, assist with the development of literary projects or help organize a high-profile lecture.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: dptitalianisticawm.unifi.it

# LITERATURE, FILM

#### Casalini Libri

Casalini Libri is a small book distributor in the nearby hilltown of Fiesole. It supplies books and periodicals in Italian, French and Spanish to academic institutions and libraries around the world. The intern catalogues new arrivals, compiles tables of contents, and prepares books for distribution to national, university and public libraries of all kinds. Language requisites: Beginner's to intermediate Italian.

Website: <u>www.casalini.it</u>

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#### **MANAGEMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

#### Flod (Web Design)

Flod is a communications and web design consulting firm active primarily in the textile and fashion industries. The intern will help carry out projects related to web communications and design.

# Language requirements: None.

Website: www.flod.it

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Language requisites: None.

Website: www.fondazione-delbianco.org; www.lifebeyondtourism.com

#### Infinity

Infinity is a family-run leather firm that specializes in the production of handbags, belts, leather garments and jewelry. The marketing internship consists of developing strategies for consolidating and expanding the firm's English-speaking clientele in and around Florence. The intern must be outgoing, independent and self-motivated.

Language requisites: None.

Website: <u>www.infinityfirenze.com</u>

#### Italy and Wine

Italy and Wine is a tour operator in Tuscany. The company organizes cultural tours and wine tastings in the Chianti area with visits to some of the most innovative and successful wine producers in the industry. The intern will help organize cultural events related particularly to gastronomic experiences and wine tastings.

Italian requirements: None.

Website: <u>www.italyandwine.net</u>

#### Made in italy

Made in Italy is a start-up company dedicated to marketing the excellence of Made in Italy products, particularly in the gastronomic and fashion design industries. The intern will help the organization develop its website to best promote.

## Language requisites: None.

Website: www.made-in-italy.com

#### Marc De Grazia

Marc de Grazia Selections has been promoting fine Italian wines since 1980. The company represents over eighty small estates from fourteen Italian wine regions with a preference for autochthonous grape varieties such as: Sangiovese, Nebbiolo, Aglianico, Fiano, Greco, Verdicchio, Garganega, Nero d'Avola, to name a few. The company not only exports and markets Italian wines but works closely with the wine-makers in all phases of production. The intern will assist staff in the commercial branch of the firm.

#### Language requirements: None.

Website: www.marcodegrazia.com

#### Moyo

Moyo is a restaurant in Florence that organizes cultural events targeted at Italian and US

students. The intern will assist the marketing and events manager with the organization of innovative events.

# Language requisites: None.

Website: www.moyo.it

## SnoworSand

SnoworSand is a US-based travel company that provides students and young professionals with culture and adventure travel to destinations throughout Europe, Asia and North Africa. The Florence branch focuses on markets largely within Italy. The Business Development Internship focuses largely on marketing, product development and graphic design. Interns will have the opportunity to work directly with the SnoworSand management team on a variety of projects catered to their personal, professional and academic interests.

Language requirement: None.

Website: <u>www.snoworsand.com</u>

#### Toscanain

Toscanain focuses on promoting international business networks in Tuscany and organizes events aimed at educating people about business networking and management. The internship is suitable for PR and event planning students.

Language requisites: basic Italian.

Website: <u>www.toscanain.org</u>

# **Tuscan American Association**

The organization, founded in 1995, aims at promoting international dialogue and cultural and academic exchange between Americans living in Tuscany and native Tuscans. The organization is sponsored by the American consulate in Florence, the regional government of Tuscany and several American and Italian associations. The intern will help organize cross-cultural events. Language requisites: None.

Website: www.toscanausa.org

#### **Tuscany and Wine**

Tuscany and Wine is an organization focused on promoting wine in Tuscany. It schedules regular wine tastings providing visitors with information on the history of wine in central Italy and recommending key areas to visit. The intern will assist the company's owner in organizing tours and wine tastings.

Website: www.tuscany-wine.com

# The Velvet Circle

The Velvet Circle s a lifestyle web TV magazine that produces content on style, art, cuisine, and events. The company has partnered with *Pitti Immagine* on the production of *Pitti Taste* and produces monthly videos from fashion festivals, exhibits, runway shows, and restaurant openings. The Velvet Circle is also a boutique event management company that produces events in Florence including the annual Shopping Party for independent boutiques and emerging designers. Interns are sought in the following areas: film/video production, graphic design, fashion journalism, and event management.

Language requirement: None. Beginner Italian II would be appreciated.

**Equipment requirement**: Laptop computer. Not required but certainly welcomed: Final Cut Pro or other editing software for film students; Adobe Photoshop or other design software for graphic design students.

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Language requisites: None.

Website: en.firenze.waf.it

# NUTRITION AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

#### Bottega del Cioccolato di Andrea Bianchini

The Bottega del Cioccolato is a small business that specializes in making quality chocolate products. The intern assists with the complete production process, learning about the history of chocolate in Italian culture, how cocoa is cultivated, processed and marketed throughout the world and the range of products that can be created. The intern must have at least two 4-hour blocks of time available a week (i.e. 9:30-1:30 or 2:30-6:30), thereby concentrating a 40-hour internship into a 5-week period.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

#### **De Gustibus**

The De Gustibus association was created to develop sustainable wine and food tourism projects, supporting small agricultural farmers, safeguarding and protecting the environment with thematic itineraries including bicycle, horse, and automobile excursions and by promoting traditional Italian agriculture. The student must be available to work two afternoons a week from 3:00-7:00 pm or mornings from 9:30-1:30.

Recommended for students of Hospitality Management.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.de-gustibus.it

#### **Enoteca Alessi**

Enoteca Alessi is one of the oldest wine shops in Florence located in the heart of the city. The intern will participate in organizing wine tastings and will acquire firsthand knowledge about Italian wines.

Language requisites: Basic Italian. Website: <u>www.enotecaalessi.it</u>

#### Enoteca Bonatti (Wine-Tasting Shop)

The Enoteca Bonatti, founded in 1934, is a wine-tasting shop renowned for its professionalism,

customer service and quality wines. Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. the shop organizes free tastings of Italian and international wines. The intern will learn about wine culture and product marketing. He/she will learn to acquire the vocabulary specific to the industry from the first phases of production (the cellar) to the final product (the bottle and its content), as well as how and when wine should be drunk responsibly. The intern must have at least 2-3 hours available one afternoon a week and be present at the tastings on Thursday evenings.

Language Requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.esercizistorici.it/opencms/esercizistorici/fuori/enotecabonatti.html

#### **Gelateria Perche' No!**

Gelateria Perche' No! is the oldest gelateria in Florence. It opened in 1939 in Via dei Tavolini, the heart of Florence's historic district. Since its inception the shop has given primary importance to the quality and freshness of the ingredients used, conserving the tradition of homemade ice cream production and rediscovering recipes of past generations. The intern assists with the complete production process. The schedule is flexible. Language Requisites: Intermediate to advanced.

# Gelateria Procopio

Gelateria Procopio, located in Piazza dei Ciompi close to Santa Croce, is one of the most famous gelaterie in Florence. The shop produces quality gelato using fresh ingredients. The intern, who must be punctual, reliable and motivated, will assist the owner in making gelato and will learn firsthand about the ingredients and production techniques which go into making a quality product.

Language requisites: basic to intermediate Italian.

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#### Language requirements: None.

Website: www.marcodegrazia.com

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Tuscany and Wine is an organization focused on promoting wine in Tuscany. It schedules regular wine tastings providing visitors with information on the history of wine in central Italy and recommending key areas to visit. The intern will assist the company's owner in organizing tours and wine tastings.

Website: <u>www.tuscany-wine.com</u>

#### Vestri Cioccolato

Vestri Cioccolato is a family owned and run producer of quality chocolate products with branches in Florence and Arezzo. The intern assists with the complete production process, including the preparation of gelato products using only natural ingredients. The internship familiarizes students with the cultivation and processing of cocoa beans, as well as with the value of chocolate in Italy's gastronomic culture.

Language Requisite: Intermediate Italian.

Website: www.vestri.it/en.html

# **POLITICAL & SOCIAL SCIENCES**

# ARCI TOSCANA (Associazione Ricreativa e Culturale Italiana)

ARCI is a nationwide cultural association, active in all areas of civil society. This internship allows students to get firsthand knowledge of some of the most important issues in social and political life in Italy. The Tuscan chapter of ARCI focuses on projects related to *educazione alla legalita'* (education for legality: advocacy against the Mafia and organized crime) and immigration (offering legal aid to migrant workers). Interns will work on a project while helping to promote the association's activities and organize specific events. Primarily suited to political science or sociology majors.

Language prerequisite: Intermediate to advanced Italian. Website: www.arcitoscana.org

# **Centro UNESCO di Firenze**

Centro UNESCO di Firenze is the Florence chapter of the worldwide organization whose acronym stands for United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. The chapter organizes activities and events aimed at promoting world peace and cooperation among school-aged children in and around Florence. The intern helps with the organization and promotion of these events. Good organizational skills are required. Availability to work mornings preferred.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian. Website: <u>associazioni.comune.firenze.it/unesco/homeingl.htm</u>

#### **Democrats Abroad**

Founded in 1964, Democrats Abroad is the official overseas branch of the Democratic Party of the United States. Its members are US citizens living temporarily or permanently outside the United States. Interns will be trained to assist US citizens with voter registration for the upcoming election year. Interns may be asked to work on marketing and event planning and in some cases may be able to attend national party meetings in Milan, Rome, Venice or Florence. DAF has no formal office in Florence. As all members are volunteers, interns need to be proactive and self-starters.

Language requisite: None

Website: www.democratsabroad.org/group/italy

# Forum per i problemi della pace e della guerra (The Forum)

The Forum is a non-governmental organization that aims to further public awareness and debate on issues of war and peace. It is an independent scientific institution made up of experts from various disciplines, mainly professors of the University of Florence and of other Italian universities. The institution promotes studies and organizes courses, symposiums and seminars held by Italian and foreign experts. The intern may be assigned to assist with the organization of an upcoming event or to conduct research on a specific topic. Recommended for students of political science and international relations.

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian. Website: <u>www.onlineforum.it/chisiamoeng.asp</u>

# Istituto Storico della Resistenza in Toscana (ISRT)

The ISRT is an institute for historical research that promotes the study of the anti-fascist and Resistance movement as well as a greater understanding of contemporary European and Italian history. With a library and archives consisting of more than 50,000 books and 2,500 periodicals, the institute also organizes training workshops for teachers and students. The intern has the opportunity to experience a remarkable Italian cultural institution while keeping archives and records, managing a specialized library, and participating in historical education programs offered to schools and other associations.

Language prerequisite: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.istoresistenzatoscana.it

# LILA - Italian League for the Fight against AIDS

LILA is a non-profit HIV/AIDS organization founded in 1987. It is a federation of 15 associations (local units) of both HIV positive and HIV negative operators, volunteers and professionals, which operates in many Italian regions through its local units. Furthermore, LILA's national coordination team supports the development of social and sanitary policies and coordinates the activities of its units at regional, provincial and municipal levels. LILA promotes and defends the right to health care, is committed to affirm principles of solidarity and stands against any form of violation of human, civil and citizenship rights of people living with HIV and AIDS (PLHIV). Interns will work with supervisors to create informational material in English and to help with distribution of material to the English-speaking community in Florence. Interns may also be asked to help with fundraising activities for the organization. Language requisites: Knowledge of Italian not necessary, but helpful. Website: www.lila.it

# **UNICEF Florence Office**

The mission of UNICEF's Florence office is to support the work carried out by this non-profit organization in helping children around the world. Interns may be asked to assist the Florence office with organizing fundraising events and doing advocacy work, in addition to developing strategies for enlarging UNICEF's local network throughout the English-speaking community of Florence. Recommended for students of Communications or Political Science. Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

Website: www.unicef.it

# YOUNICEF

YOUNICEF is the youth branch of UNICEF composed of young people who wish to support the initiatives organized by the main organization's committee in favor of children and adolescent rights. At YOUNICEF young adults promote active participation in their communities with the aim of building a children-friendly world and giving young people the chance to speak up, share ideas and be part of a cultural, moral and social community. The intern will help organize fund

raising and awareness raising events. Language requisites: basic Italian recommended. Website: <u>www.unicef.it/younicef</u>

#### **SPORTS**

#### Floria 2000 Soccer Club

Floria 2000 is a soccer club in Florence for children and youth of all ages. The intern will be present at team practices and help coach children of elementary or middle school age twice a week thus gaining on-field coaching experience as well as participating in Italy's most popular sports culture — calcio!

Language requisites: Intermediate to advanced Italian.

#### **STUDIO ARTS - ART GALLERIES**

#### **Frittelli Art Gallery**

The Frittelli Art Gallery is one of the most important galleries of contemporary art in Florence. The gallery has recently been renovated to include more space for solo exhibitions, new rooms for private collections and a multimedia auditorium for conferences. Interns may assist the gallery owners with setting up exhibits, promoting the gallery among the general public, and managing correspondence between the gallery owners and artists who have participated in past exhibitions. Recommended for Studio Arts and Art History majors.

Language requisites: Beginner to Intermediate Italian.

Website: www.frittelliarte.it/en/

#### Microspazio Disponibile

Micro is an artist-run exhibition space in Florence dedicated to showcasing creative experimentation in all media including painting, sculpture, new technologies, performance, sound and installation. The intern works with local Florentine and European artists, assisting in all aspects of preparing, publicizing and installing the monthly exhibitions in the space. The intern is also expected to assist with Micro's numerous projects which include the artists' professional activities and installations in locations throughout the city. Schedule will depend on artists' needs.

Language requisites: Intermediate. Website: <u>www.undo.net/cgi-bin/undo/pressrelease/pressrelease</u>

#### **STUDIO ARTS - FASHION DESIGN**

#### Infinity

Infinity is a family-run leather firm that specializes in the production of handbags, belts, leather

garments and jewelry. The entire production process is carried out in the firm's Florentine workshop. The intern helps with all phases of production, from design to the finished product. He/she must have a flexible schedule, good manual skills and be open to assisting with various aspects of production.

Interns must be available to work at least 90 hours: this internship therefore is offered for a minimum of 2 credits.

Language requisites: None.

Website: www.infinityfirenze.com

# **STUDIO ARTS - GRAPHIC DESIGN**

#### **FESTA--Graphic Design**

Florence English Speaking Theatrical Artists (FESTA) is a bilingual and multicultural group of theatre professionals and interdisciplinary artists in Florence, dedicated to creating a new bicultural theatre model in Florence. The founders are American women, but the company is made up of artists from Italy, America, England, Ireland and other countries. The company is looking for a design intern to create a logo, design posters and programs for its shows, and design and maintain a newsletter.

Language requisites: Beginner's level.

Website: www.festatheatre.com

#### SnoworSand

SnoworSand is a US-based travel company that provides students and young professionals with culture and adventure travel to destinations throughout Europe, Asia and North Africa. The Florence branch focuses on markets largely within Italy. The Business Development Internship focuses largely on marketing, product development and graphic design. Interns will have the opportunity to work directly with the SnoworSand management team on a variety of projects catered to their personal, professional and academic interests.

Language requirement: None.

Website: <u>www.snoworsand.com</u>

#### USA Girl Scouts Overseas-North Atlantic

USAGSO-NA serves American girls living in Germany, United Kingdom, Belgium, Netherlands, Italy, Spain, Turkey and Portugal. "We serve girls who want to enjoy the same excitement, fun, and adventures in Girl Scouting as their stateside Girl Scout sisters." The student intern will create a wide variety of design products utilizing a variety of different media, including print and digital marketing materials, graphics, banners, websites, and more. Language requisites: None.

Website: www.usagso-na.org

#### The Velvet Circle

The Velvet Circle s a lifestyle web TV magazine that produces content on style, art, cuisine, and events. The company has partnered with *Pitti Immagine* on the production of *Pitti Taste* and produces monthly videos from fashion festivals, exhibits, runway shows, and restaurant

openings. The Velvet Circle is also a boutique event management company that produces events in Florence including the annual Shopping Party for independent boutiques and emerging designers. Interns are sought in the following areas: film/video production, graphic design, fashion journalism, and event management.

Language requirement: None. Beginner Italian II would be appreciated.

Equipment requirement: Laptop computer. Not required but certainly welcomed: Final Cut Pro or other editing software for film students; Adobe Photoshop or other design software for graphic design students.

# **STUDIO ARTS - PHOTOGRAPHY, DIGITAL IMAGING**

#### Archivio Fotografico Fratelli Alinari

The Archivio Fotografico Fratelli Alinari is one of the oldest photographic archives in Florence. The intern assists in compiling and updating the English-language version of the archive's catalogue and database. Recommended for photography and fine arts students. Language requisites: Beginner's Italian.

Website: www.alinari.it

#### **Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco**

The Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco is a private foundation whose mission is to promote intercultural dialogue among different countries, with special emphasis on East/West relations, and to promote an awareness of cultural heritages and diversities among young people. The internship is offered for 2 credits (90 hours) only. The internship aims to communicate the meaning of cultural heritage to young people and to promote the concept of travel beyond consumer "tourism." Interns will work on the Life Beyond Tourism project (LBT portal and photo blogs) and on promoting events related to this project. The main tasks will be to develop 1) a contact network and 2) a blog and photoblog on the following topics: Cultural Heritage, Cultural Diversity, Tourism & Travel, Inter-Cultural Dialogue. Recommended for Photography, Communications and Marketing majors.

Language requisites: None.

Website: www.fondazione-delbianco.org; www.lifebeyondtourism.com

#### Magenta Editrice, English-language publishing house

Magenta Editrice produces Vista, Florence & Tuscany, a magazine providing an in-depth panorama of Tuscany's culture and cultural happenings. Magenta also publishes Month by Month, which provides live coverage of Tuscan events, in addition to travel books. Managed by the area's only professionally-accredited American journalist, a professional team of photographers and designers as well as expatriate writers integrated into the fabric of Italian life produce Magenta's publications on site in Tuscany. There are internship opportunities for writers, graphic designers and photographers as well as the opportunity to contribute to the new website.

Language requisites: None. Website: www.vistaflorence.com

# **Pucci Foundation**

The Pucci foundation preserves the heritage of the great Florentine stylist Emilio Pucci. The foundation is currently photographically documenting the entire Pucci collection, comprised of articles of clothing of great artistic and historical significance. The intern will work in the Pucci family palace in Florence and will photograph the clothes worn by manikins using artificial lighting. Suitable for advanced photography students.

**Requirements**: a minimum of two semesters of photography, one of which of studio lighting. Excellent use of camera and Photoshop.

**Equipment**: tripod and SRL digital camera.

Language requisites: basic Italian.

# **SUF Photography Studio**

The intern photographs special events and activities which take place at SUF during the semester: lectures, field trips, exhibits, student activities, theater workshops, etc. Photos used for SUF publications will be credited in the intern's name. The student must own his/her own camera (preferably digital) with flash capabilities. S/he must be skilled in taking indoor photos using flash and under natural lighting and be available to do shoots outside of regular class times. For intermediate to advanced photography students only.

Language requisites: None.

# The Florentine (Bi-monthly newspaper)

The Florentine is a bi-weekly English-language newspaper published in Florence. It aims to help English-speaking visitors become better acquainted with the city of Florence and its surrounding communities. It reports on local and national Italian news and publishes an extensive list of current events in and around Florence. The intern writes articles of general interest for English-speaking residents and visitors to Florence.

Language requisites: None.

Website: <u>www.theflorentine.net</u>

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