Widener University

School of Law
International Programs

Dear Law Student

Venice International University

We invite you to consider spending part of your summer participating in Widener's Summer Abroad program in beautiful Venice, Italy. Widener's Venice progam offers the opportunity to study law and to absorb the local culture in one of the most beautiful and unusual cities in the world. With a variety of course offerings covering Comparative Civil Litigation, Comparative Corporate Law, Human Rights & Multinational Corporations I & II, Innovation & Intellectual Property in the EU, and European Union law, combined with a wonderful location from which to visit Rome, Florence, or elsewhere in Italy or Europe during a long weekend built into the program's calendar, our Venice Summer Institute offers a perfect blend of academics and world travel.

We have organized an array of attractive options which provide you the ability to fashion a summer abroad specific to your interests and schedule. If you have limited time, you will have the choice of earning up to three credits in just two weeks; if you have a bit more time, you can earn up to six credits in four weeks. Alternatively, our program in Lausanne, Switzerland is scheduled to permit you to spend two weeks in Lausanne and two weeks in Venice. Our program in Venice is set at Venice International University and our courses include two taught by Italian Law faculty.

Some of the noteworthy aspects of the program this summer include:

VIU residence room

- You have the choice of finding your own apartment in the heart of Venice (we can help get you pointed in the right direction) or you can reserve a residence room on the campus of Venice International University. The University is a short vaporetto (water bus) ride across the lagoon from Piazza San Marco in one direction, and The Lido, with its beautiful beaches, in the other.

- Our course on comparative corporate law will be taught this summer by the Justice Randy J. Holland. Justice Holland is a member of the Delaware Supreme Court and teaches at Widener Law. The Honorable Randy J. Holland is the youngest person to serve on the Delaware Supreme Court, having been recommended to the Governor by a bipartisan merit selection committee and in January 1999, he was reappointed and confirmed unanimously for a second twelve-year term. The Delaware Supreme Court is the leading corporate law court in the United States. This is a fabulous opportunity for those interested in corporate law.

- The program begins on June 16th and ends on July 11th. The schecule allows for a long weekend during the program. There are many destinations in Italy and elsewhere in Europe that are easily accessible by train from Venice, including Florence, Rome, Milan, and the gorgeous countryside of Tuscany, with its wineries, castles, and medieval cities. A short ferry ride across the Adriatic Sea takes you to the beautiful (and inexpensive) beaches and historical sites of Croatia, and discount flights are available from Venice to Paris, Barcelona, and other cities across Europe.

Widener's Venice program is well suited to novice travelers as well as seasoned veterans of foreign travel, particularly now that residence rooms are available as an alternative to finding your own apartment. You don't need to know any Italian to make your way around Venice or any of the tourist destinations in Italy; it seems almost everyone who deals with the public speaks some English.

We hope to see you in Venice this summer!

Sincerely,

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