

Winter break assignment

Augustine, *Confessions* paper reflection: analysis of Augustine's journey to the Christian faith.

Spring Semester Saturday Classes:

- Class 1: Art Historical Overview of Ancient Rome; The Christian God: Augustine's *Confessions*
- Class 2: Development of the Christian Basilica; Introduction to Early Christian Art and Architecture – the Funerary Tradition
- Class 3: The Christian Ritual Practice of Christian Initiation and Eucharist; Jesuits: Their Foundations and the First 100 Years

Summer Session in Rome (note: all classes are taught on-site in Rome):

- Day 1: Flight to Rome
- Day 2: Orientation to Rome. Site visit to the Pantheon.
- Day 3: Ancient and Early Christian Rome. Site visits to the Roman Forum and Colosseum.
- Day 4: Roma Christiana. Site visits to the Sancta Sanctorum, Scala Santa, and San Clemente; Mass at San Clemente.
- Day 5: Roma Christiana. Site visits to the Arch of Constantine, the Basilica of San Giovanni, the Baptistry of San Giovanni.
- Day 6: Day trip to Florence. Walking tour of Florence city center, visit to the Accademia, free afternoon.
- Day 7: Free day.

- Day 8: Christian Funerary Traditions. Mass at St. Peter's with Papal Angelus Address; Site visits to the Catacombs of Priscilla, the Church of Santa Costanza, and the Basilica of Sant' Agnese.
- Day 9: Creating Sanctity. Site visits to Santa Pudenziana and Santa Maria Maggiore; Mass celebrated in Santa Maria Maggiore.
- Day 10: Reform and Renewal in the Middle Ages. Site visits to Santa Maria in Trastevere, Santa Cecilia in Trastevere, Temple of Portunus, Santa Maria in Cosmedin, and Santa Sabina.
- Day 11: Jewish and Christian Relations. Site visits to the Jewish Ghetto and the Jewish Museum and Synagogues; traditional kosher dinner at Nonna Betta in the Jewish Ghetto.
- Day 12: "On this Rock I will build my Church." Site visit to St. Peter's, including the Basilica, the excavations under the church, and the tomb of St. Peter.
- Day 13: Musei Vaticani (Vatican Museums). Site visit to the Vatican Museums.
- Day 14: Rome, A Jesuit City Too. Site visits to the Rooms of St. Ignatius, the mother Church of the Society of Jesus known as Il Gesù, Sant' Ignazio, Collegio Romano and the Università Gregoriana.
- Day 15: Departure

Post-Rome Culminating Research Project and Final Reflection

- Following departure from Rome, students have two weeks to complete their final research project and program reflection.

