The Italy: Christian Art & Spirituality program offers students intensive, on-site study of the religious history and spirituality of Italy through the lens of its paintings, sculptures, mosaics, and sacred sites. With an emphasis on the beauty and faith of Christianity in its historical development and its artistic and architectural manifestations, this program enables participants to visit cultural landmarks, museums, churches, and natural areas. We will walk pilgrimage roads through the Italian countryside, see the tombs of apostles, visit the shrines of martyrs and saints, and stand in awe before ancient, medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque masterpieces of art. Students will explore Italy from north to south, from the ruins of the ancient world to the greatest Christian sanctuaries, and from the Adriatic to the Tyrrhenian Seas.

**DATES**
3 May–19 June 2024 (approx.)

**HOUSING**
Students will be housed in hotels, hostels, and monasteries.

**COURSES**
Students will enroll in the following courses while on this program:
- ARTHC 490R—On-Site Studies in Medieval and Early Modern Art (3 credit hours)
- REL C 350R—Religious Studies in a World Setting (3 credit hours)

Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program directors and ISP.

**COST**
$6,900–7,400

Includes Latter-day Saint, undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non-Latter-day Saint students), housing, transportation within Europe, admissions, and international health insurance coverage.
Does not include airfare to and from program, most meals, or personal expenses.

TRAVEL
Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airline reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent. BYU Travel | 280 HRCB | (801) 422-6293 | travel@byu.edu

PREPARATION
Students are encouraged, but not required, to take the following prerequisite courses prior to departure:

- ARTHC 201—World Civilization to 1500 or IHUM 201—Western Humanities 1
- ARTHC 202—World Civilization Since 1500 or IHUM 202—Western Humanities 2
- REL C 351—Survey of World Religions

Accepted students are required to participate in an international, cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201, 1 credit hour) during the second block of winter semester 2024. Part-time and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional fee for enrolling in the prep class.

Students must meet all country- and program-specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

FUNDING SOURCES
Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will be considered for a Study Abroad scholarship. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Limited scholarships are available to Humanities majors.
Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS
Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. A nonrefundable $35 application fee is required; applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete.
Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program.
The first payment is due upon acceptance; please refer to the 2024 Payment Information page.
Priority Deadline: 27 November 2023

FACULTY
Elliott D. Wise is an associate professor of art history and curatorial studies. His research centers on the devotional function of late medieval and early modern art. In particular, he is interested in art and liturgy, representations of Christ and the Virgin Mary, mysticism, and the visual culture of the mendicant and monastic orders.
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SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
Students should plan to be with the group in Europe from 3 May to 19 June and refrain from scheduling late arrivals or early departures.

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PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS
International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student’s BYU Financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.