

Study Abroad in Milano

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Exceeded expectations. This experience allowed me to understand myself, gain more independence, and test my capabilities. I have gained a greater perspective on the world and how

life differs in terms of cultures, customs, traditions and values in different countries compared to

Canada

Experience Details

Semester: Spring

Year: 2024

Skills: adaptability, openness

Introduction + Preparation

In terms of preparation for my Study Abroad, SFU had a Canvas course with such valuable information. When I went to Italy, I needed to get a visa through the Italian Consulate located in downtown Vancouver. I additionally prepared by practicing some Italian, looking into how much living in Milan would cost, getting insurance, as well as seeing if the school and its courses aligned with my interests and values and if they would be transferable at SFU.

Previous Experience

I had done a Study Abroad previously in high school in Melbourne, Australia, so I was not completely unfamiliar with living in a new place on my own. However, my Study Abroad experience in Australia was not as long, with a duration of only 3 months. In addition, in Australia I lived with a host family, so I had a lot more support. Being in Italy was my first time staying away from home for so long and going on my own. It was a new experience, and I was excited for the experience to immerse myself in a new country on my own.

Preparation Tips for Future Students

