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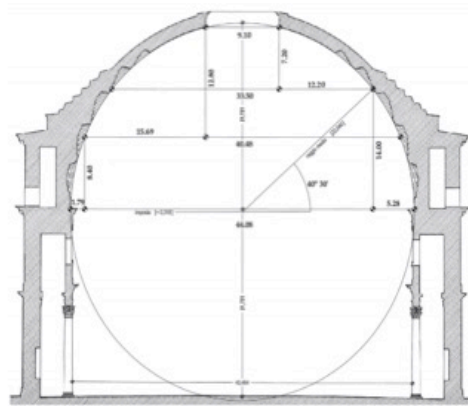
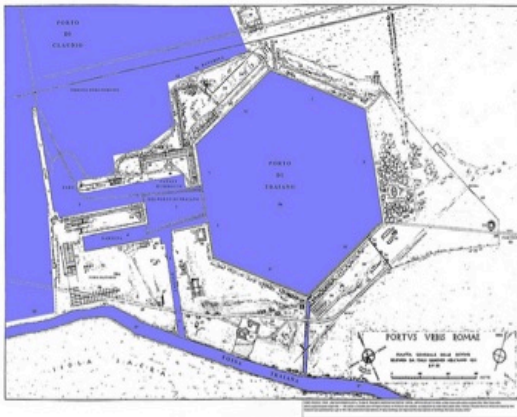


Fig. 6. Pantheon: Palladio's measurements of the dome (right), with additions by the author.



Ancient Roman Innovation and Engineering

CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME / 2019

THE CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME

In Spring Quarter 2018, from April 1st to June 7th the Department of Classics is offering its Classical Seminar in Rome ('Classics in Rome' program) for *all* undergraduates—regardless of major—and for Classics graduate students. The program of study, which was initiated in 1987, includes a 10-credit seminar in “Roman Innovation and Engineering” (experienced primarily through excursions to sites within and outside of the city), and a 5-credit seminar in “the Literature of Roman Innovation and Engineering” (consisting of readings, both ancient and modern, that address the topics of our study). *PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE NO PREREQUISITES FOR THIS PROGRAM.*

THE CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME is housed in the PALAZZO PIO, the University of Washington’s facility in Rome. The PALAZZO PIO is located in the historic center of the city. This seventeenth-century structure sits on the foundations of the ancient theater of Pompey, which was built in 55 B.C. The Palazzo faces the Piazza del Biscione and Campo de’ Fiori, where one of Rome’s busiest open-air markets is situated. Since the mid–sixteen hundreds, the Palazzo has housed in succession a family church, an archaeological school, studios for artists, and a small theater. Renovations on the building began in the autumn of 1984. The PALAZZO PIO is equipped with classrooms and a library. In 1998 an additional floor was renovated to furnish apartments and added instructional space.

For students interested in learning more about the ancient world, and especially ancient Rome and its surrounding areas, there is no better classroom than the city itself. This program takes full advantage of all that such a location offers: students learn about the ancient city by walking the streets of the modern one. This coming Spring, our focus on *Roman Innovation and Engineering* will take us all over the city and its surroundings, and we will encounter the well-known sites (Pantheon, Colosseum, Forum) through the eyes of innovation. In addition to the better-known sites, however, we will trace the paths of the ancient sewer that made Rome inhabitable; we will visit the area beneath Trevi fountain in which the *Aqua Virgo* held its waters; we will walk the banks of the Tiber investigating the ancient *Emporium* at which ships unloaded their cargo.

The regular courses in the program are:

ROMAN INNOVATION AND ENGINEERING: CLASSICS 399 (10) / VLPA

The 2018 “Roman Innovation and Engineering” seminar investigates the general topography, primary monuments, and building / engineering / architectural techniques of the ancient *urbs*. We shall focus both on the city of Rome and on sites outside of the city: on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays we typically gather at 8:30am for approximately four-hour walking trips to our sites, including the Forum, the Pantheon, the Colosseum, the ancient Emporium, the Vicus Caprarius, the Aqueduct Park, the Via Appia Antica (by bike!), and many others. We will take day trips to Ostia and Portus, a four-day trip to Sicily (Siracusa) to investigate the home city of Archimedes, one of antiquity’s greatest Mathematicians and Engineers, and a three-day trip to the south of France to visit the Roman docks museum at Marseille, the Pont du Gard aqueduct, and the amphitheaters at Nimes and Arles. Students will contribute to a class blog.

Professor Sarah Stroup (scstroup@uw.edu)

LITERATURE OF ROMAN INNOVATION AND ENGR: VARIABLE (5)

This year’s seminar focuses on ancient and modern literature of Roman innovation and engineering that supplement our site visits. In addition to reading archaeological scholarship about the sites we visit, we will examine ancient texts (read in the original or in translation, depending on the abilities of the individual student) that deal with such (Vitruvius, Frontinus, Lucian, Archimedes, and others). This seminar will meet over three-hour lunch meetings on Thursdays, and students will contribute to a class blog. Students will write a final paper, for which they may receive VLPA, I&S, W or (depending upon topic) DIV credits.

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Students needing work in Greek and Latin (or related studies) will read the texts of Frontinus (Latin) or Lucian (Greek), with supervision by instructors.

FEES AND EXPENSES

The program fee for *all* participants in the CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME in Spring 2019 is \$8350. This fee covers housing, admission fees, travel to and from Sicily and southern France, and other program-related expenses. These fees are paid in lieu of tuition.

In addition, students are responsible for and should include in their financial planning: airfare (this fluctuates and depends on a number of factors, but should cost \$1300–1700), food and daily expenses (allot about \$45 a day), and Study Abroad Insurance (currently \$62/month). What you spend depends in large part on your personal preferences and habits.

TUITION AND REGISTRATION

There are different registration procedures for undergraduates and graduate students participating in the program as Teaching Assistants:

1. UNDERGRADUATES will register through the Office of International Programs and Exchanges.
2. GRADUATE STUDENTS please contact the program director.

LIVING

Enrollment in the Classical Seminar in Rome is limited to a small number of students. Students normally share apartments in the Palazzo Pio or in the environs of the Pio. These apartments are fully furnished, including towels, linens, and all kitchen necessities. Any special housing expectations (e.g., married couples) are to be brought to the attention of the program director at the time of application. Students have found it economical to prepare most meals in common in the apartments, especially since eating out in Rome can be costly. Participants should keep in mind that living conditions in these apartments, although quite adequate, are not spacious. Respect for the sensitivities of those sharing the apartments is of the utmost importance if the group is to live and work in harmony.

FINANCIAL AID

Students who regularly receive financial aid at the UW maintain their eligibility while on this program. Students participating in the Classics in Rome Program may also be eligible for additional student loans. Application should be made at the Financial Aid Office, 105 Schmitz (543-6101).

1. Departmental Aid

All undergraduate students accepted for the program are strongly encouraged to apply to the Department of Classics for a Travel Award, which has historically been in the range of \$1,500 and has been awarded to any undergraduate who applies for it (please check the box on the paper application below). The Department of Classics has some other scholarships to which undergraduate and graduate students may apply (inquire with the department, or ask Prof. Stroup!)

2. External Aid

(For undergraduates only) There are two kinds of “Go! Global” scholarships available for undergraduates, a GO! Scholarship and a Fritz Undergraduate Scholarship. Information and application materials for both may be found here:

<http://www.goglobal.washington.edu>

(For graduate students only) **The William P. and Ruth Gerberding Rome Studies Fellowship.** Details on this Fellowship are usually distributed late in the fall quarter; award amounts vary,

though at a minimum typically cover travel expenses. Check with the Graduate Program Coordinator or directly with the Graduate School.

INSURANCE

Participants **must carry health/accident insurance coverage**. Please note that this is distinct from and does not replace the required Italian student insurance, the cost of which is approximately \$50 and is included in the program fee. The University of Washington Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) was terminated on 19 September 2014, and students are being advised of various options under the “individual mandate” of the Affordable Care Act. Please see:

<http://www.washington.edu/ship/affordable-care/>

There is also a low-cost, UW Study Abroad Insurance Plan available to UW students. The UW Student Abroad Insurance Plan provides major medical as well as medical evacuation and repatriation benefits anywhere in the world for approximately \$62 per month. All formally admitted matriculated students at the University of Washington—Seattle, Bothell, and Tacoma campuses who are taking credit hours and who are temporarily engaged in educational activities outside the U. S. are eligible to enroll in this insurance plan. Students must be enrolled through the UW International Programs & Exchanges Office or equivalent foreign study programs at the School or College level. You cannot pay for this insurance plan through MyUW or charge it to your UW student account, and it will not be paid automatically by financial aid. For policy details and enrollment instructions, please visit:

<http://www.washington.edu/globalaffairs/insurance/>

Students accepted into the program must submit to IPE an insurance verification form indicating what form of insurance he or she will have. For full details, please consult the IPE website.

PHYSICIAN’S REPORT

Once accepted into the program, students must submit the “Physician’s Report” as part of the concurrent enrollment application. For students on concurrent enrollment this goes to the Office of International Programs and Exchanges. Other students should submit the form to the program director. This allows your physician to assess your ability to participate in the program and provides the directing faculty member with pertinent information about allergies, medications, and so forth. *Applicants should be aware that this program involves occasionally strenuous walking and moderately difficult terrain, and for that reason it is essential to check with your doctor before applying.*

TRAVEL

Because of the highly unpredictable fluctuations in airfares and options, it is impossible to give an accurate estimate of travel costs for the trans-Atlantic flight. A reasonable *estimate*, however, is around \$1300–1700. Comparison shopping online (using, for instances, sites such as kayak.com) or consulting local travel agencies is the best way to find low air fares.

Please act quickly in booking and purchasing your ticket, since budget tickets are the first to become fully booked. Flight reservations should be made (at the latest) by the end of January, and tickets should be purchased by mid-March.

It is also **imperative that you apply for a passport** if you do not have one, or if your passport has expired. The Department must have students’ passport numbers as soon as possible after enrollment in the program in order to obtain permissions from Italian authorities for admission to archaeological sites. Those students who do not have valid passports should therefore apply for them in early November. The passport information website is

http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

Since our program is less than 90 days, a student visa is not required. However, if you plan to stay longer than 90 days, depending on your travel plans, you may be required to obtain a visa. It will be your responsibility to determine if this is the case and make the necessary application (which you need to do well in advance of your departure).

ADMISSION TO PROGRAM AND ORIENTATION MEETINGS

It is the policy of the department to accept students into the Rome Seminar who are likely to contribute positively to the shared experience of the course through their regular participation in classes—which is required of each student enrolled in this program—both those in the Rome Center and those on site. Successful participation will demand a degree of flexibility, since unavoidable factors will at times cause re-scheduling of site visits and classes. It will also require the willingness and the ability to stay with a group since participants visit archaeological sites and museums together. All students enrolled in the Seminar are expected to devote their energies primarily to their program of study in Rome. At the discretion of the Department's Rome Program Committee, interviews may be required as part of the application process.

Orientation sessions will be held during Winter Quarter 2019 and **are required of all participants** except those who are not in residence but live outside the Seattle area. These sessions will provide background information on the city of Rome and procedural matters about participation in the program, as well as practical issues such as the appropriate clothing and personal items to take, directions from the Da Vinci airport to the PALAZZO PIO, the purchasing of tickets, and other travel details.

In addition to the departmental orientation, the Office of International Programs and Exchanges requires you complete their online orientation.

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER AND AUTUMN QUARTERS

Since registration for Autumn and Summer quarters takes place during Spring Quarter, you will need to register for them online while you are in Rome.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application procedures are different for undergraduates and graduate students participating in the program as TAs:

1. **UNDERGRADUATES.** Undergraduates **will need to fill out the online application for this program available through the IPE website here:**

http://studyabroad.washington.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=10995

Or go to *<http://studyabroad.washington.edu>*, follow the link for 'Programs', and search for Classics Seminar in Rome.

You are also required to secure and include with the forms you submit to the Department three sealed letters of recommendation. Recommendations from UW faculty or Teaching Assistants who have taught you are preferred. Questions about letters of recommendation may be sent to *clasdept@uw.edu*. You should give one of the recommendation forms included with this brochure to each of your three letter writers.

2. **GRADUATE STUDENTS** please contact the program director.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 15, 2018



Palazzo Pio

The University of Washington reaffirms its policy of equal opportunity regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age marital status, disability, or status of a disabled Veteran or Vietnam era veteran. This policy applies to all programs and facilities, including, but not limited to, admissions, educational programs, employment, and patient and hospital services. Any discriminatory action can be a cause for disciplinary action. Discrimination is prohibited by Presidential Executive Order 11246 as amended, Washington State Gubernatorial Executive Orders 89-01 and 93-07, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights act of 1964, Washington State Law Against Discrimination RCW 49-60, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, State of Washington Gender Equity in Higher Education Act of 1989, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Age Discrimination in Employment Act as amended, other federal and state statutes, regulations and University policy. Coordination of the compliance efforts of the University of Washington with respect to all of these laws and regulations is under the direction of Assistant Provost for Equal Opportunity, Dr. Helen Remick, Equal Opportunity Office, BOX 354560, 4045 Brooklyn Avenue N.E., University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98195-6261, telephone (206) 685-3263/V or (206) 543-6452 TTY.

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APPLICATION FOR THE CLASSICAL SEMINAR IN ROME SPRING QUARTER 2019

Date _____ Birthdate _____

Name _____ Email _____

UW Student Number _____

Current Address _____

Current Phone _____

Passport Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Permanent Address _____

Name/Address/Phone of local contact person while abroad:

Are you receiving any kind of loans or aid at this time (e.g. financial aid, scholarships, veterans benefits, social security)? Please list:

Student Status

- I am currently a registered student at the University of Washington.
 - Undergraduate Graduate Fifth year
 - Matriculated Non-matriculated University Extension

I was last registered at the University of Washington in _____ Qtr/Yr.

I have never been enrolled at the University of Washington.

I intend to apply for admission to the UW for _____ Qtr/Yr.

I would like to be considered for a Department of Classics Travel Award.

List all institutions you have attended (starting with the most recent):

University or College	Location	Dates	Degree
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Attach a copy of your transcript, unless you are a major or graduate student in the University of Washington Classics Department.

List the names of three faculty members who are submitting recommendations for you.

Name

Position

I, the undersigned, understand that the information provided in this letter of recommendation will remain confidential and hereby waive any and all rights of access to this letter I might have under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, or other related laws, regulations, or policies. I understand that this waiver is not required by the University of Washington as a condition of admission to or receipt of any other service or benefit from the University of Washington or the Classics Department

Signature of Applicant

Date

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98195

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1. Comment upon the applicant's seriousness of purpose and the regularity of his/her participation in class. How well prepared has the student been for class sessions?

2. Has the student fulfilled his/her academic potential in your course(s)?

3. Does the student interact well in class with other students? Would he/she be likely to help create a positive learning experience in a group situation (about 9 to 12 students)?

Signature Date Address

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