Year Abroad Questionnaire

We hope you all enjoyed, or are enjoying, your year abroad. Each year this questionnaire is filled in by Warwick students studying in Italy in order that more information is available to subsequent years about the places they have chosen to go to. Please fill in this form giving as much detail as possible, including names and addresses where applicable. Bad and good, please be truthful! The information you give here is valuable to know in advance as we are sure you are aware, so please take some time to fill it in. You should have this questionnaire ready for collection by staff during the Rome visit.

LOCATION

(a) Which town did you live in?

(b) Why did you choose this place and did it fulfil your expectations?

RED TAPE

(a) How did you deal with formal arrangements such as residents’ permits from police/local authorities?

(b) Where did you go to get them?

(c) How long did it take to get it sorted out?

(d) Did you have any problems getting the permesso? And were there any special requirements? (i.e. photocopied documents etc.)

ACCOMMODATION

(a) What accommodation arrangements did you make before you arrived in Italy? Please give details of addresses, costs and contact names, etc.

(b) Where did you stay on arrival?

(c) How did you find out about long term accommodation? (Please give contact numbers, addresses of estate agents, titles of local publications with accommodation pages, etc.)

(d) What type of contract did you sign? Do you have any comments/advice on legal arrangements?

(e) What kind of safety checks did you/your host university/your landlord have in place? Do you have any advice/warnings for others?
(f) Where did you stay permanently?

(g) What was the area like?

(h) How far was it from the centre of the town?

(i) How did you get to the centre of the town from where you lived?

(j) Were there shops, eating places, nightlife in the immediate vicinity?

(k) Describe travel facilities
   - Which means of transport did you use?
   - How much did it cost?
   - Did you have a season ticket?
   - Any helpful hints/quick routes, etc.?

**UNIVERSITY**

(a) Address

(b) Courses you attended/know about/recommended courses

(c) Enrolment procedures

(d) Student facilities/associations/language centres etc.

(e) Where are the main libraries and bookshops/bargain bookshops?

(f) Did you buy many books for your courses in Italy?

(g) How much contact did you have with lecturers at the Italian University?

(h) Contact names (students, lecturers, other staff, etc.)

(i) How do you get to the university from the centre of town?

**LANGUAGE SCHOOL**

(a) Name

(b) Address (include e-mail, fax, web page, etc.)

(c) Cost

(d) Structure of lessons

(e) Quality of teaching

(f) Would you recommend it to others?
(g) Tips on language learning in general (i.e. Watching television, reading newspapers/books etc.)

SOCIAL LIFE

(a) How did you make friends with people initially?

(b) Describe the cultural/entertainment facilities you found and would recommend to others and any that should be avoided at all costs! Please include names, addresses, cost etc.

Clubs
Cinemas
Restaurants
Others – please specify

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

(a) Please list the places you would recommend that people see in and around the town you lived in, in order of importance (i.e. 1 = favourite, 10 = least favourite).

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TRAVEL

(a) How often did you come back to GB during the year?

(b) Did you travel a lot in Italy?

(c) Where?

(d) How did you get to these places?

(e) Where did you stay when you got there?

(f) How much did travel and accommodation cost?

(g) Are there any hotels or hostels you would particularly recommend?
Any tips about travelling? (i.e. Venice in February for the Carnevale, single tickets costing the same as return, etc.)

**MONEY AND WORK**

(a) How much money did you spend on food, entertainment, travel etc. weekly?

(b) Did you have a job while in Italy? If yes, give details (*type of job, relevant addresses/contacts, salary, etc.*)

(c) Did you find any other sources of extra finance? If yes, please give details.

**AND FINALLY…**

(a) Did you need medical treatment while in Italy? If so, please give details.

(b) How did you deal with accommodation arrangements for the 3rd year?

(c) How did you keep in touch with Warwick and the Italian Department?

(d) Is there any other information that you would have appreciated knowing before you went?