

***The AIFS Internship in Milan program fee of \$8,290 includes the following:***

**Internship Support**

- Guaranteed internship placement upon acceptance into program.
- Access to the renowned CliftonStrengthsFinder assessment.
- One-on-one professional development with the AIFS Abroad Program Advisor including resume review and interview practice
- Video conference or phone interview with the internship organization prior to departure
- Support by local AIFS Internship Coordinator for the duration of the program.
- Orientation program in Milan consists of a meeting with AIFS staff on information such as safety and security, cultural activities, workshops on cultural differences, and a local area walking tour.
- Italian language course. This required course is offered at various levels of proficiency and held for 4 hours per day, Monday to Friday for the first two weeks of the program. Textbook is included.

**Accommodation:**

- Single rooms within a shared apartment with shared kitchen and living space, laundry access, linens, and Wi-Fi. No meals are provided. Located close to public transportation, students may have a 30-60-minute travel time to their work placement. Apartments are shared with up to 6 other AIFS participants and may be co-ed.

**Cultural Activities and Excursions. Typical activities, tours and visits and may include:**

- A welcome aperitivo
- Terrazze Duomo visit
- Visit to the Armani museum and Starbucks Reserve Roastery
- Excursions to Lake Como, Verona

**Also Included:**

- Services of dedicated AIFS staff for information, advising, and 24-hour emergency contact service
- Medical insurance policy
- Carbon offsetting for all participants' flights to and from their program location by the purchasing of carbon credits in vetted global projects.

***Program does not include the following:***

- Round-trip airfare and in-country transfers.
- Passport and visa fees if applicable.
- Textbook for Italian language course.
- SMCCCD tuition or administrative fees or textbooks
- Meals other than those listed.
- Personal expenses.
- Anything else not specified.

**2026 PROGRAM DATES**

Tuesday, June 2	Arrive Milan
Wednesday, June 3	Orientation & 2-week Italian Language course begins
Friday, June 12	Italian Language course ends
Monday, June 15	Internship placements begin
Friday, July 24	Internship placements end
Sunday, July 26	End of program

## PLACEMENT AREAS AVAILABLE IN MILAN

Advertising/Marketing/PR	Fashion Business	Video Production
Art/Gallery	Fashion Design	
Business	Graphic Design	
Communications	Hospitality/Tourism	

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR AIFS FEES

Spring Semester	Fee	Deadline
Application Fee	Waived	March 1, 2026
Enrollment Deposit	\$500.00	March 15, 2026
Balance of Fees	<u>\$7,790.00</u>	April 1, 2026
Total	\$8,290.00	

The Application fee is waived for all SMCCCD students accepted by the SMCCCD Study Abroad Office for a Global Internship Program for Summer 2026. The student must submit the \$500 Enrollment Deposit when accepted by AIFS. Subsequent payments may be made by check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to "AIFS." American Express, MasterCard and Visa are also accepted. Please note: A \$35 returned check fee will be charged on all checks returned by the bank for insufficient funds.

### Contact:

For Internship advising, contact **Gerardo Brambila**, SMCCCD Program Services Coordinator, [studyabroad@smccd.edu](mailto:studyabroad@smccd.edu), Tel. (650) 738-7159.

### Refund policy and important dates to remember should you need to cancel your participation:

1. All deposits are non-refundable as they fund core services related to the program. Some of these services include, but are not necessarily limited to admissions counseling, program advising, professional document revision, work put in by the placement team, interview preparation, and access to professional and program resources through the online portal.
2. Should a participant choose to withdraw from their program, eligibility for a refund and the amount of the eligible refund will be determined based on the format outlined below.
3. Using the postmark, email or fax date of a participant's withdrawal letter as the official withdrawal date (or next business day if this is a weekend), the following applies:

More than 61 days before program start <b>(on or before April 2, 2026)</b>	100% refund less \$500 deposit.
Between 31- and 60-days program start <b>(withdrawing on March 2, 2026 to May 2, 2026)</b>	50% refund less \$500 deposit.
Within 30 days of program start <b>(withdrawing on or after May 3, 2026)</b>	Recoverable costs only less \$500 deposit.

### Protecting your investment:

Participants may purchase additional trip cancellation or interruption insurance which allows them to protect their study abroad program. This policy includes options to cancel for any reason (CFAR) and interrupt for any reason (IFAR). Details of the Worldwide Trip Protector Plans with Travel Insured International (TII) is underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company, rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Information on these options is available on the Travel Insured International website – [www.travelinsured.com](http://www.travelinsured.com) - or by phone at 855-611-0918. **The policy is time sensitive and must be purchased within 21 days after the deposit is paid.**

### Access, Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity (AIDE) general social identity resources:

At AIFS Abroad, we support all participants in your study/intern abroad journey, inclusive of your gender, race, religion, age, physical ability, and sexual orientation. Everyone has a complex identity, and the different aspects of your identity are important when deciding on a program and location. Exploring the identities you hold and learning about those of others is also an important part of this journey. We invite you to use the information here - <https://www.aifsabroad.com/student-resources/> - before, during, and after you study abroad.