

**Major:** Fashion: Apparel Product Design

**Why did you choose to study in Rome ?**

I chose Rome because I always wanted to go to Italy and see all of the artwork that I've studied. Also, I'm part Italian.

**Travelling:**

I went to Venice and Florence on the weekends. It was interesting to observe the people from other cities or from the country. It gave me the opportunity to see some of the things you expect to see when you think of Italy.

*“Go for it! Being in Rome was some of the best three weeks of my life. Take advantage of everything you can.”*

**Rome as a Second Home:**

Awesome. The streets are so different and a lot of the best places are hidden, so the best part was exploring and finding those hidden gems.

**Volunteering:**

It was an eye-opening experience for me to see how another country cares for the poor. Just trying to get the right medication if you are homeless is really difficult. It made me realize that we take for granted that, if we're hurt or sick, when we go to the hospital we will get help.

**Most memorable moment :**

When we went to Venice — It was really memorable because I always wanted to go and I'm using what I saw there as inspiration for my collection for the Spring Fashion Show.

**How were you transformed by Study Abroad?**

When I came back, I really thought about how different our culture is from Italian culture. In Rome, people want to make a good impression; coming back home, I've thought more about how to make a good first impression. Being in Rome has also helped me to not take things for granted so much.



Angela on the viewing deck of St. Peter's Basilica, overlooking the cityscape of Rome, the Eternal City.