

Fact Sheet

Istituto Lorenzo de' Medici

2024-2025

LdM Mission

By expanding their knowledge and understanding of the world, LdM challenges students to evolve within the global community, focusing on the lessons of past and present cultures to cultivate a better tomorrow.

Institutional video: <https://youtu.be/7xKbcyRvZAw?si=CcQbhq7GXKmwWMzi>

Quick Facts about LdM

- Founded in 1973 in Florence.
- Over 4000 students annually from all over the world (nearly 70 nationalities).
- 500+ different courses in 36 subject areas.
- All courses taught in English, with the exception of Italian language courses.
- 2 LdM locations: Florence (Tuscany region) and Tuscania (Lazio region).
- 7 Academic Schools: Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Italian Language and Culture, Creative Arts, Design, Nutrition, Italian Gastronomy and Culture, Science and Mathematics, and Agriculture.
- More than 250 dedicated and qualified faculty members from Italy and all over the world.

LdM Accreditation

Istituto Lorenzo de' Medici is:

Registered and authorized in Italy by the Ministry of Education (December 2, 1989); Accredited by the Centrala Studiestödsnämnden (CSN), the Swedish Board of Student Finance, by Lánaðsjóður Íslenskra Námsmanna (LÍN), the Icelandic Student Loan Fund.

LdM has been awarded the European quality certification ISO 9001:2015 by European Quality Assurance.

Approved by the US Middle States Commission on Higher Education as a branch campus of Marist College, with particular note on the quality of LdM facilities and academic environment.

The LdM campuses in Florence and Tuscania are approved by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

In 2024, LdM received the Best Practices in Study Abroad Programming Award by NASPA.

Application Deadlines

Spring Semester: **November 15**

January Intersession: **November 15**

Summer Session I (June): **April 10**

Summer Session II (July): **May 15**

Fall Semester: **June 15**

Academic Year / One-year Certificates / One-year Professional / Advanced Certificates: **June 15**

Program Brochures

<https://ldminstitute.com/academic-quicklinks/>



Credit Transfer

Students may earn US credits for all programs and courses taken at LdM. Students enrolling directly through LdM have the option of receiving either the LdM transcript or a US transcript from Marist College, LdM US accredited partner institution. Students enrolling through affiliate institutions or providers should contact their program or home institution in this regard.



Academic Semester and Year Abroad and Short Term Programs

LdM Academic Semester and Year Abroad Programs

Available at LdM Florence and LdM Tuscania.

Customizable academic programs that allow students to tailor interdisciplinary paths of study where creativity meets academic dedication.

*Choice of 3 or 4 academic courses + 1 Italian language course
OR choice of 5 academic courses per academic semester.*

LdM Internships

Available within the context of semester and year abroad programs for US credit and in combination with academic courses only. These offer students the possibility to learn different aspects of working in Italy. Internships are available. Students must fulfill the relevant prerequisites. Placement opportunities are limited; consult the course schedule to learn more about term-specific internship opportunities.

Special Semester Program: Two Italies

This dynamic program, which starts in Florence and ends in Tuscania, offers students a diverse and informed approach to the multifaceted aspects of contemporary Italy.

4 academic courses + 1 Italian language course.

January Intersession at LdM Florence

A three-week intensive program, provides the opportunity for undergraduate students, as well as independent or adult students, to broaden their academic horizons.

Choice of 1 or 2 courses.

Summer Sessions

Available at LdM Florence and LdM Tuscania.

Month-long academic programs, offered in June and July. These programs are well-suited for undergraduate students as well as for independent students seeking a meaningful educational experience.

Choice of 1 or 2 academic courses.

Additional summer programs include the **Conservation Workshop**, available in different locations in June and July, the **Stop-motion Workshop** at Misseri Studio in Florence, the **Archaeological Field School** at the Etruscan necropolises around Tuscania, the **Yoga Wellness Workshop** at LdM Tuscania, and the **Marist-LdM Venice Biennale Program**.

Certificate Programs

LdM Certificate Programs at LdM Florence

Integrate a strong theoretical base and practical work within structured plans of study for the pursuit of professional goals.

LdM Semester Certificate Programs

Available at LdM Florence.

These programs are designed to give students the opportunity to gain professional skills and the theoretical underpinnings of their field of choice in a single semester.

Visual Communication for Fashion, Fashion Sustainability, Global Luxury, Interior Design in Contemporary Living, Product Design towards Sustainability, Architecture in Urban Context, Italian Gastronomy, Balance in Nutrition, Applied Integrate Media (AIM).

LdM One-Year and Professional/Advanced Certificate Programs

Available at LdM Florence.

Year-long Certificate Programs are designed to develop students' creativity, artistic talent, and technical skills, preparing them to enter the relevant marketplace. One- and two-year certificates are offered in the following disciplines:

Fashion Design, Fashion Marketing and Merchandising, Graphic Design and Visual Communication, Jewelry Design, Interior Design, Restoration and Conservation, Fine Arts.

Summer Certificate Programs

Available at LdM Florence and LdM Tuscania according to the course schedule.

These programs are designed to meet the increasing demand for on-site educational opportunities that emphasize career readiness within structured yet flexible short-term study plans.

Wine Business, Human Creativity, Global Sustainability, Branding.

US Undergraduate Programs at LdM Florence

International students can earn a fully accredited US undergraduate Bachelor's Degree through LdM's partnership with Marist College. The following four-year degrees are available:

Art History, Italian Language, Digital Media, Studio Art, Interior Design, Conservation Studies, Global Marketing Communication, Fashion Merchandising.

Student Services at LdM

- Housing Services
- Special plans for meals and dining
- Library and student labs
- On-site/on-line Orientation
- Mentoring Center
- Dedicated staff of Student Advisors
- 24h Emergency number
- Field Trips
- Student Activities