Studying with Cornell in Bologna, you will find yourself integrating into Italian culture in this elegant, ancient city—the capital of the wealthy & progressive region of Emilia-Romagna in northern Italy.

- Engage in academic coursework at Europe’s oldest University—the University of Bologna (UniBo)
- Italy’s top-ranked university, located within the old city walls
- Founded at the end of the eleventh century
- Join undergraduates from 15 top US institutions to receive support from the consortium program center staff as you study at UniBo & the center.
- Master your Italian language skills, taking all classes in Italian
Academics

The Bologna Consortial Studies Program offers its students the option of combining University of Bologna and BCSP courses. While the majority of UNIBO courses are based on professors’ lectures and oral exams, BCSP courses are structured following a more American style syllabus with mid-terms, finals, participation, attendance, and a more personal relationship with the professor.

The academic mission of this program focuses on giving American students an authentic experience, fulfilling the same requirements as Italian students. With the desire to integrate and a little self-discipline, students master an entirely new system and learn to appreciate a new academic culture.

Volunteering and Internships

BCSP helps students find internships and volunteer opportunities in Bologna in order to enrich their study abroad experience beyond the classroom. Every semester the BCSP Student Services Coordinator meets with the students to identify their goals and provides them with a list of potential sponsors. Students have taught in schools, worked in art museums, worked in business and communications, assisted at a law firm, helped at an equine therapy center, and worked in a fashion and design school.

Housing

Your choice of roommate and room!

BCSP requires that you live with Italians because this is the most effective way to learn the language and the culture, and this is why you have chosen Bologna. College life in Bologna will be enjoyable and rewarding under the wing of an Italian student!

During orientation you will stay with all the program students at the Hotel Holiday in the city center, just around the block from the BCSP office and a two minute walk to the university area. With support from BCSP staff, all students find housing within the first two weeks.