



Scuola Superiore
Sant'Anna
di Studi Universitari e di Perfezionamento



北京航空航天大学
BEIHANG UNIVERSITY



Call for Applications

Summer School

“Western civilization and culture: Renaissance and Modernity”

29th august – 10th September 2015

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies (Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna), Pisa-Volterra, Italy

An intense and involving learning experience in Top and Elite university of Italy

Lectures and on-the-spot investigation in Renaissance and modernity in their civilization and culture

Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna welcomes applications from Beihang University students and for a Summer School in Tuscany on “Western civilization and culture: Renaissance and Modernity.” You will attend exciting in-class lectures and seminars, discover cities rich in history and landscapes of outstanding beauty, explore UNESCO's World Heritage Sites, visit best Italian universities and investigate traditional, modern and fashion industries. You will be amazed to find out how modernity, technology, fashion and food in this country have strong links with the past.

2 Credits will be recognized in Beihang University after the summer school.

The summer school is organized and staffed by scholars associated with Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna and Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences of Beihang University.

Enjoy your summer in the incredible beautiful sunshine of Tuscany!



Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies (Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna)

Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, located in Pisa (Tuscany), is a public university that holds a unique position within the Italian higher education system. It is small scaled and elite and is one of the three officially sanctioned special-statute universities in Italy. Potential undergraduates undergo a rigorous, open competitive entrance examination, and only the very best are selected (as of 2014, 50 freshmen are admitted per year), thus these students are called *Honors College Students*. Students live and study at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna totally free of charge; however, they are required to get top marks (at least 27/30) in all their exams and show proficiency in at least two foreign languages, otherwise they will be expelled.

Its rankings:

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa and the University of Pisa create the mighty Pisa University System. Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies has been given separate university status by the “Ministry of Education, Universities and Research” (Italy), and together with Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa is **leading the model of Scuole di Eccellenza, Superior Graduate School in Italy (Grandes écoles)**.

The Academic Ranking of World Universities puts “Pisa University System” at the first place in Italy (**National Rank # 1**) and within the **best 30 universities in Europe**.

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies has been mapped by *Times Higher Education-QS World University Rankings* as **one of the most important educational institutions in Italy**.

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies together with Scuola Normale Superiore is named as **leading institutions in Italy's six top higher education institutes** by *Times Higher Education World University Rankings*.

According to *QS World University Rankings*, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies is **part of the initiative Invest Your Talent in Italy** which puts Italian graduate programs on the world's stage.

The European Research Ranking, a ranking based on publicly available data from the European Commission database puts Pisa University System among the **best in Italy** and **best performing European research institutions**.

The official agency of the Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MIUR), the *Agenzia nazionale di valutazione del sistema universitario e della ricerca* (ANVUR) ranks Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies the **best small university for 2013 in Italy (National Rank # 1)**.

International School for Advanced Education (SIAF) of Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna

It is the first international residential executive campus in Italy. It provides a congenial environment for intensive study courses and conferences. The executive campus offers brand-new accommodation, well-appointed bedrooms with satellite TV, telephone, internet (wireless or ADSL) and air conditioning. The complex includes 7 multifunctional lecture rooms which can be partitioned and personalized as required, 2 spacious meeting halls and a recording room. All lecture rooms are equipped with up-to-date visual and audio aids: wireless internet, microphones, video projectors, overhead projectors and PCs. Spacious public areas are suitable for both indoor and outdoor activities, group work, performances, buffets, entertaining and relaxation.



SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM



Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in partnership with Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences of Beihang University presents this

	Theory study		On-the-spot investigations and field trips		
			Cities	Universities	Companies
August 29th	Arrival in Rome				
August 30th			Rome		
August 31st	Presentation and seminar		Volterra		Alabaster Handicraft Laboratories
September 1st			Venice		
September 2nd			Venice		
September 3rd	Seminar	Seminar			
September 4th			Pisa	Scuola Normale Scuola Sant' Anna Pisa University	Piaggio Company
September 5th					Outlet, Fashion Company
September 6th			Florence	Florence University	
September 7th	Seminar	Seminar			
September 8th			Bologna	Bologna University	
September 9th	Seminar		Closing ceremony		
September 10th	Departure for Beijing				

*** The international School of Advanced education of Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna will recognize to participants 2 credits.**



YOUR ON-THE-SPOT INVESTIGATIONS AND FIELD TRIPS



Rome and Vatican City

“Roma Aeterna” (The Eternal City) and “Caput Mundi” (Capital of the World), two central notions in ancient Roman culture.

One of the major centers of the Italian Renaissance.

Birthplace of the Baroque style.

18th-most-visited city in the world, 3rd most visited in the European Union, and the most popular tourist attraction in Italy.

Historic centre listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.



Venice

“Queen of the Adriatic”, “La Dominante”, “Serenissima”, “undoubtedly the most beautiful city built by man”.

The city in its entirety listed as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, along with its lagoon.

Former capital of the Republic of Venice, a major maritime power during the Middle Ages and Renaissance, and a staging area for the Crusades.

Staging area for important artistic movements, especially the Renaissance period.



Bologna and its University

The largest city (and the capital) of the Emilia-Romagna Region in Italy.

Famous for its towers and lengthy porticoes, and a well-preserved historical centre (one of the largest in Italy).

An important cultural and artistic centre.

Homogenous mixture of monuments and architectural examples (medieval towers, antique buildings, churches, the layout of its historical centre) as well as works of art which are the result of a first class architectural and artistic history.

European capital of culture in 2000.

UNESCO “city of music” in 2006.

University of Bologna, the oldest university in the world, founded in 1088, Bologna hosts thousands of students who enrich the social and cultural life of the city.



Pisa and its Universities

One of the most important cities in Tuscany.

Known worldwide for its leaning tower.

More than 20 historic churches, several palaces and various bridges across the River Arno.

Home of the University of Pisa, which has a history going back to the 12th century, and also has the mythic Napoleonic Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa and Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna as the best sanctioned Superior Graduate Schools in Italy.



Florence and its university

City founded by the Romans, characterized by straight roads which crossed at right angles.

One of the most exciting examples of Renaissance city

Born or have worked: Cimabue, Dante Alighieri, Giovanni Boccaccio, Filippo Brunelleschi, Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo.

Site of Uffizi Gallery, the most visited gallery in the world.

Florence University, founded in 1321, one of the most important Italian University.



Volterra and its alabaster laboratories

One of the most important towns in Tuscany.

A Neolithic settlement and an important Etruscan center with an original civilization.

A municipium in the Roman Age.

Legendary hometown of vampire.

Shooting location of the movie Twilight.

Famous throughout the world for its age-old tradition of alabaster carving, a craft tradition that has been handed down by the Etruscan civilization.

We will organize a visit in a typical laboratory for an exciting experience.



Piaggio Company and its museum

Founded in 1884, is a part of FCA (Fiat Chrysler group) producing motorcycle, one of the biggest industrial brands in Italy.





COSTS & APPLICATION

RMB 30000 per person, including:

- Air ticket
- Visa application fee
- Full board accommodation (Bedroom, breakfast, lunch and supper, use of gym and swimming pool on campus)
- In-class seminars
- Guided visit in cities, universities and companies
- Selected museums
- Transportation (shuttle go and return airport and cities, daily shuttle for and from Volterra city)

Candidate requirements

Students able to follow a lecture and participate in class discussions in English, the language used in all lectures and discussions and visiting.

Application

Fill out the application form and submit to Prof. Chen Qi via chenqi2013@buaa.edu.cn (e-mail titled as “summer school application -your name”)

Deadline of application: April 10th, 2015

Date of announcement: April 20th, 2015

For further information, please contact us: chenqi2013@buaa.edu.cn (E-mail titled as “summer school information-your name”)

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http://www.buaa.edu.cn/zt/zt_qghz/87822.htm
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