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# Biology Rome: Ecology of the Mediterranean Sea



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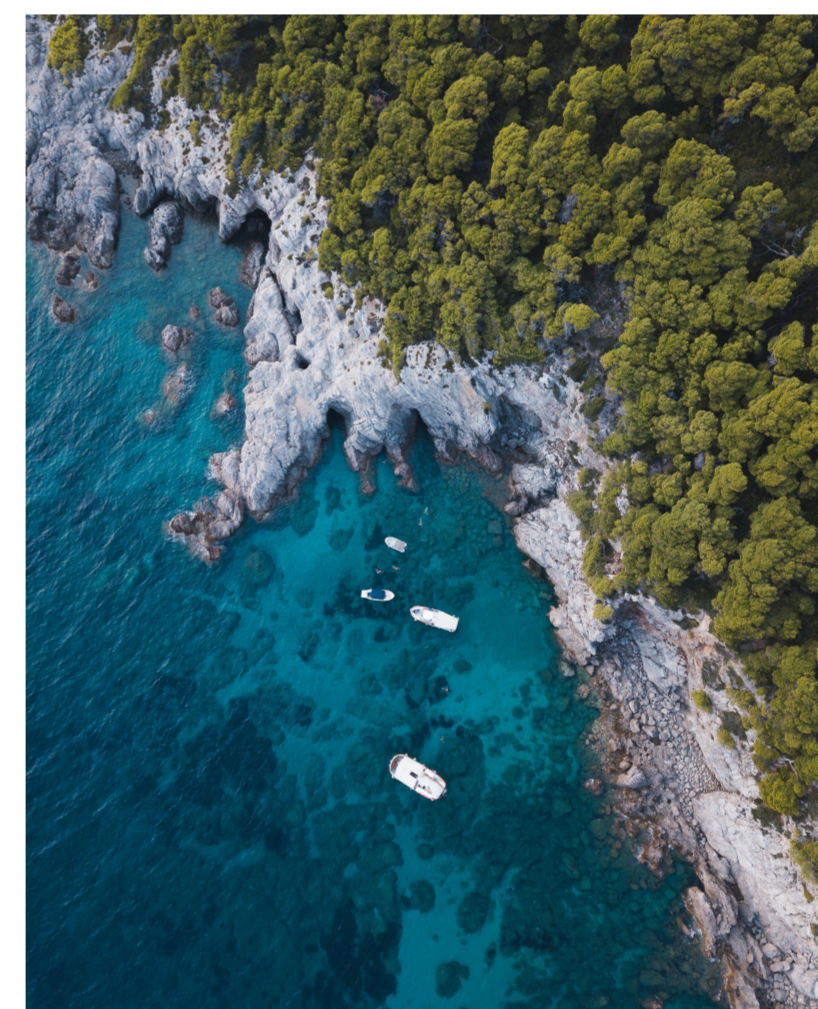
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## Dates / Deadlines:

Term	Year	App Deadline	Decision Date	Start Date	End Date
Autumn Quarter	2024	02/15/2024	02/27/2024	09/28/2024	12/07/2024

## Quick Facts

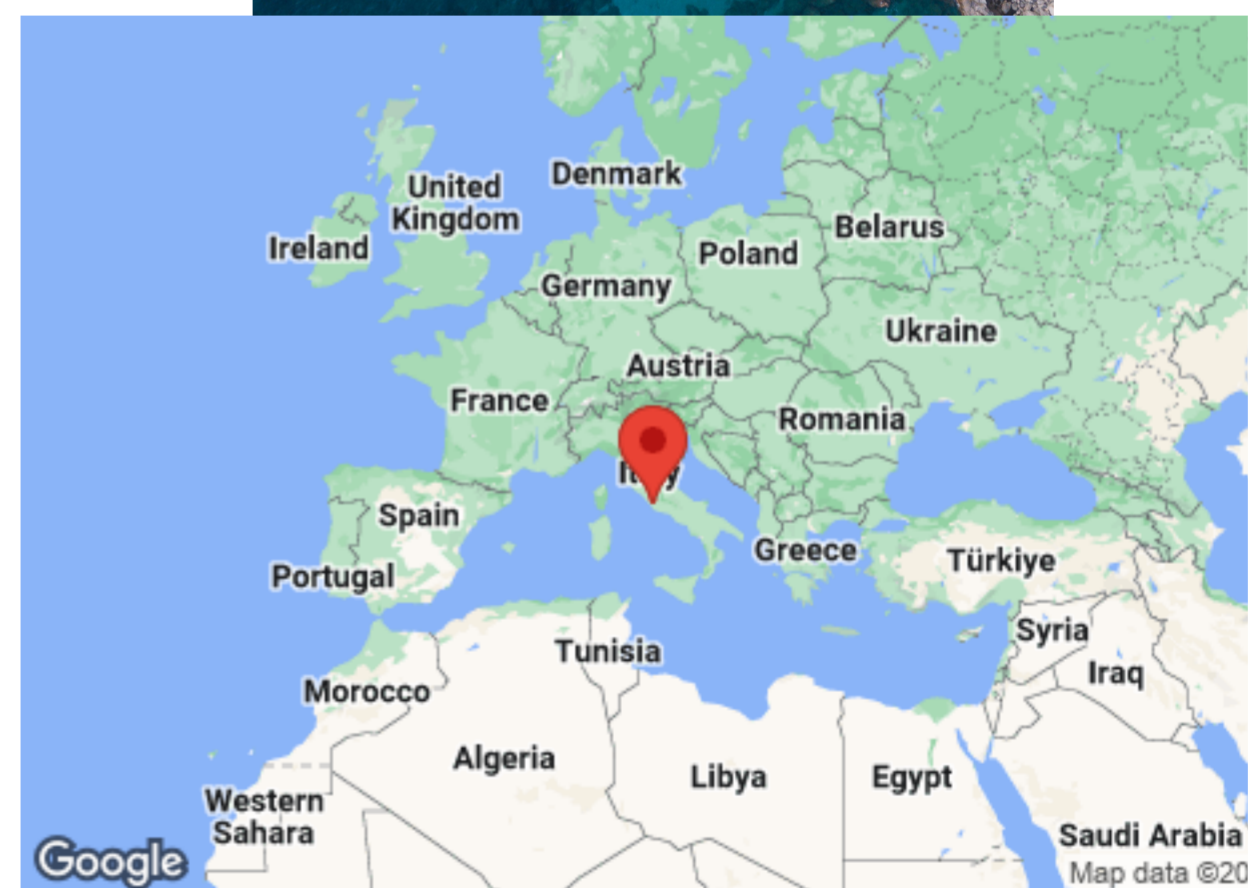
<b>Affiliated Department</b>	Biology, Oceanography
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<b>Program Cost</b>	Please see the Finances tab for the full list of fees and estimated cost.



## Other Info

**Information Sessions** TBD - Please contact program directors for more information. January 18, 2024 @ The UW Study Abroad Fair

**Visas** Visit the UW Study Abroad [Passports and Visas](#) webpage for more information. Note that there can be strict entry and exit rules and restrictions for foreign visitors. This may impact your ability to travel within the region before or after your program, or to attend two subsequent programs.



## Program Description

The program will focus on the ecology of the Mediterranean Sea, including basic concepts in ecology and oceanography, and how those concepts are illustrated by the Mediterranean and its biota. The biology course will focus on concepts of ecology in the coastal zone, and the oceanography course will focus on whole ocean and local ocean processes. Students will also focus on the changing environment, again using at least some examples from the local area and its current stressors and management issues. The third course will be an introduction to the Italian language, with plenty of opportunities to use phrases and learn new vocabulary as we progress. The site will be the UWRC in Rome Italy, with field excursions to coastal locations within a 2-3 hour drive from Rome. The group will also visit museums and archaeological sites in and near Rome, with the goal of understanding changes in the Mediterranean ecosystems over historical time, the uses which civilizations have had for the sea, and the growth of human perturbation on the sea and surrounding coastal habitats. Guest lecturers will be invited to discuss their research on current ecological topics, and historic aspects of humans interacting with the Mediterranean Sea.

[Program Photo Gallery from 2022.](#)

## Travel During COVID-19

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