Rome Connection 2026 - Itinerary

Monday, June 1

Depart EWR Airport (Newark)

Tuesday, June 2

Arrival at FCO Airport (Rome)

Coach bus transfer and check-in at the Rome Campus

Check-in and Arrival Orientation

Staff and faculty review campus and neighborhood resources

Pantheon

Cross the Tiber and explore Rome's best-preserved ancient temple turned medieval church

Welcome Dinner

Enjoy an inaugural meal showcasing Roman specialties and local delicacies

Wednesday, June 3

Campo Marzio

Discover the evolution of medieval Rome before ascending the Campidoglio for a sweeping vista of the Eternal City

Thursday, June 4

Catacombe di San Callisto

Descend into the underground world of early Christian history while traversing the largest expanse of catacombs in Rome

Appia Antica

Stroll along Rome's oldest road, and enjoy idyllic ruins set amongst the Roman Campagna

Friday, June 5

Celio

Explore the physical layers of Rome's history, descending into the ancient wonders of San Clemente and the Case Romane del Celio

Pigneto

Enjoy an evening in a rapidly changing neighborhood shared by local students, hipsters, pensioners, and immigrants (includes group meal)

Saturday, June 6

Testaccio and Aventino

Explore the historic heart of working-class Rome and incredible food markets before ascending to the Giardino degli Aranci for a skyline view of the Eternal City

San Lorenzo

Discover a vibrant college neighborhood while engaging in its lively street scene

Sunday, June 7

Free Day

Monday, June 8

Trastevere

Take a stroll through an iconic neighborhood and delve into the ways that local communities have shaped Rome through the ages (includes group meal)

Tuesday, June 9

Galleria Borghese

Take in expansive gardens before joining a personal tour of a former country villa to gaze upon the art of masters including Bernini, Raphael and Caravaggio

Wednesday, June 10

Orvieto (Group 1)

Welcome to an all-day adventure in a stunning hill town to discover ancient caves, incredible vistas, world-famous architecture and farm-to-table cuisine (includes group meal)

Free Day (Group 2)

Thursday, June 11

Orvieto (Group 2)

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(Free Day (Group 1)

Friday, June 12

Musei Vaticani (Group 1)

Experience an evening tour of the Vatican Museums while touring the most impressive collection of art in the world, ending with a visit to the Sistine Chapel

Garbatella (Group 2)

Explore an avant-garde neighborhood that personified the competing politics and values of 20th-century Rome (includes group meal)

Saturday, June 13

Musei Vaticani (Group 2)

Experience an evening tour of the Vatican Museums while touring the most impressive collection of art in the world, ending with a visit to the Sistine Chapel

Garbatella (Group 1)

Explore an avant-garde neighborhood that personified the competing politics and values of 20th-century Rome (includes group meal)

Sunday, June 14

Free Day

Monday, June 15

Esquilino

Wander thru some of the most important basilicas in Rome including Santa Maria Maggiore and Santa Prassede while delving into the impact of the medieval church on Rome

Tuesday, June 16

Ostia Antica

Venture through the architectural remains of what was once one of the largest ports on the Mediterranean with finely adorned bathhouses, ancient theaters, and grand temples

Wednesday, June 17

Udienza Papale

Join pilgrims and visitors in witnessing Pope Francis at the Vatican including a Papal Blessing

Farewell Meal

Enjoy a farewell meal featuring Roman specialties and regional delights

Thursday, June 18

Depart FCO Airport (Rome)

Coach bus transfer and check-out from the Rome Campus

Arrive at EWR Airport (Newark)