

ABA DISCLOSURES

3L January Intersession in Florence, Italy

Date: January 5-15, 2026

Location: Via Giorgio La Pira, 11/13, 50121 Florence, Italy

Description of the Program: This two-week program includes one, 2-credit course on Law & Society which will meet seven times on location and will include some pre-departure modules and a post-program seminar paper assignment. The program also includes a group welcome dinner, a farewell lunch, and at least three cultural experiences or group activities.

Nature of relationship with foreign institution: This program is held at Gonzaga's campus in Florence, Italy.

Description of course: this program includes one course: Law & Society in Florence. This course will explore historic and contemporary legal issues in Italy and Europe through a comparative law and historical lens. You will learn about the legal system in Italy and the EU, including its political and social structures, sources of law, and select aspects of its historical development and current impact on society. You will also learn about special topics in law & society that may vary semester to semester, such as business aspects of law & society, criminal law, property, constitutional law, or other contemporary issues. This course will be a valuable addition to your legal education. Its comparative features will help broaden your perspective on the U.S. legal system, and its international aspects will enable you to develop cross-cultural competence needed to navigate an increasingly transnational legal field.

The 2026 emphasis for the course will be on innovation law & policy.

Number of credits: 2 credits

Schedule of classes with days and times: This is a hybrid course. It will include pre-departure asynchronous online modules, seven class sessions in-country, and a seminar paper due later in Spring semester. For the in-country class sessions, they will meet in person in Florence on every weekday starting Wednesday, January 7 through Thursday January 15, 2026, at 10am-12:10pm. Cultural experiences, group meals, or other activities will take place on some weekday afternoons from Monday, January 5 through Thursday, January 15, 2026.

Requirements for student performance and evaluation: Students are required to complete all module work by the posted deadlines, attend class regularly, prepare for and participate in class, and draft a seminar paper. This course will be evaluated on module exercise completion, in-class participation, and the quality of the final seminar paper. This course will have 24 or fewer students in it and is not subject to the mandatory GPA average. It will be graded on an A-F scale per the Gonzaga Law Student Handbook.

Enrollment limitations and criteria: This program and course is open to Gonzaga law traditional and ExecJD students who, in Spring 2026, will have 18 or fewer credits left to complete for graduation. Students must complete an application, pay the application fee, and pay the deposit amount to secure a spot in the program and course. The minimum enrollment requirement for the program and course is ten students; the maximum enrollment is 16 students.

Biography of on-site program director and instructor: For 2026, Associate Dean Agnieszka McPeak will serve as the onsite program director for the 3L January Intersession and will be the course instructor. Her descriptive biography, including academic credentials and experience, is available here: <https://www.gonzaga.edu/school-of-law/about/faculty-staff/regular-faculty/detail/mcpeak-a>

Contact information of informed person at the law school: In addition to the person(s) listed above, the informed person at the law school is Dr. Upendra Acharya, Director of Global Legal Education, acharya@gonzaga.edu; 509-313-3719.

Statement of tuition, fees, anticipated living costs, and other expected expenses: This Spring Intersession course is included in the banded tuition for Spring semester (rates listed [here](#)).

The following additional fees, costs, and expenses apply:

- Application Fee: \$100 (non-refundable; credited towards program fee)
- Program Fee Deposit: \$250 (non-refundable after November 7, 2026; credited towards program fee)
- Program fee: \$2,300
- Anticipated estimated living costs: Students should budget around \$2,000-\$2,500 for lodging, food, and related expenses.
- Travel expenses: Roundtrip airfare between Spokane and Florence costs around \$800.
- Books/supplies for the course: \$0

Other than the \$100 application fee to the University, the program fee will cover all scheduled law program costs for students once they arrive in Florence, including courses, program events and activities, student health insurance, the University campus, fitness center, on-site staff and services, and any necessary transportation to scheduled program events. Optional student activities also may be available for an additional fee, such as winery and bicycle tours.

In addition to the program fee, Florence students are responsible for airfare to and from Italy, housing in Florence, meals that are not part of Florence program events, course books, and other personal expenses.

Cost and availability of housing made available by the program: Students are expected to find their own housing, and the program does not provide housing. Nonetheless, the program can recommend to interested students double or triple occupancy rooms in a pensioni for the first week of the program; the recommended pensioni are not available after January 12, 2026. The estimated cost per person for the pensioni option is around \$90.

Otherwise, students can locate rental housing in Florence on their own. Gonzaga's Florence campus is located near Piazza San Marco in the historic center of the city. It is near the T2 tram line. Hotels, AirBnBs and other rental housing is available walking distance or via bus or tram from campus.

As noted above, students should budget around \$2,000-\$2,500 for lodging, food, and related expenses. Some housing resources are listed [here](#).

Extent to which the country, city, and facilities are accessible to individuals with disabilities: This program is held in Florence, Italy. As with many historic cities in Europe, there are some limitations on accommodations for persons with physical disabilities. Tight streets, cobblestones, sidewalks without ramps, and stairs may pose some challenges. Nonetheless, the city has made efforts to make historic landmarks, museums, and cultural hubs more accessible to those who have mobility issues. Most public transportation, train stations, and state museums are also accessible. The Gonzaga in Florence campus has some accessibility features, and reasonable efforts will be made to address special needs.

Cancellation information: The program is subject to cancellation in the event of insufficient enrollment, force majeure, US State Department travel warnings, or unforeseen international events that would substantially adversely affect program operations or seriously compromise student safety.

Cancellation will be communicated to students as soon as possible in writing. Students are responsible for their own travel arrangements and are urged to book refundable travel or obtain their own travel insurance. This is a new program, so no prior cancellation information exists.

Relevant state department travel information and travel advisories and warnings: As of May 23, 2025, the U.S. State Department has a Level 2 Travel Advisory in place for Italy. More information can be found [here](#).

Refund policies: The application fee is non-refundable. The program fee deposit is non-refundable after November 7, 2025. If the Florence program is cancelled or materially altered, students will be notified in writing promptly. If after November 7, 2025 the program is cancelled or the student wishes to withdraw due to the material alteration, the student's program fee deposit will be refunded within 30 days.

The program fee is subject to the terms and conditions of tuition refunds. For information about tuition refunds generally, please see the Gonzaga University Student Accounts [page](#) and the Gonzaga Law Financial Aid Policies [page](#).