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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE

During your stay in Pisa, you will be taken care of by a dedicated International Relations Officer who will help you take care of all the bureaucratic and logistical matters related to your study abroad experience.

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ERASMUS COORDINATOR

The SSML Pisa Director of Studies will be your reference for all academic matters concerning your studies with us, ensuring that the courses you choose are the right ones for you and that the credits you earn are properly transferred.

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STUDY ABROAD BUDDY

International students at SSML Pisa are assigned a volunteer buddy from among our student tutors. This local student will help you adjust to life in Pisa and at the SSML.

ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK, PISA

Erasmus students in Pisa should consider joining the ESN, PISA. The network helps Erasmus students find their feet in Pisa and make friends with students from all over the world. It organises cultural and sporting events, parties, trips, and activities to enrich students' experience in Pisa.

pisa.esn.it
pisa@esn.it

ABOUT PISA

Pisa is one of Italy's oldest and most renowned university cities, offering a vibrant and intellectually stimulating environment for students from around the world. The city has a **long tradition of academic excellence** and innovation. Institutions such as the University of Pisa, the Scuola Normale Superiore and the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies and the Scuola Superiore per Mediatori Linguistici contribute to **Pisa's reputation as a hub for higher education and vibrant student life**. With a strong international presence, the city welcomes study abroad students into a dynamic academic and social community.

Beyond its academic offerings, Pisa provides an exceptional setting for student life. The city's compact and walkable layout makes it **easy to navigate**, whether you are heading to lectures, studying in one of its historic libraries, or relaxing in a café along the Arno River. **Student-friendly neighbourhoods**, such as San Martino and Santa Maria, are filled with affordable eateries, bookstores, and cultural spaces, ensuring that students have everything they need within reach.

Pisa's rich history and artistic heritage create a unique learning environment for students interested in history, literature, art, and architecture. The city is, of course, famous for its Leaning Tower. However, beyond this iconic landmark, countless **museums, churches, and historical sites provide inspiration and opportunities for cultural engagement**. For those who enjoy the arts, the Teatro Verdi offers a programme of opera, theatre, and concerts, while various student organizations host cultural events, film screenings, and language exchanges.

Frequent train connections along the coast and to Florence make exploring Tuscany and the rest of Italy on the weekends enjoyable and effortless. A stone's throw from many of Italy's most beautiful historic locations, beautiful coastlines, beaches, hiking, and adventure sports in the Alpi Apuane mountains, **students based in Pisa have countless opportunities for fun and enrichment beyond their studies**.

For international students, Pisa also boasts a strong sense of community and support. With its welcoming atmosphere, rich cultural life, and outstanding academic institutions, **Pisa provides an ideal setting for an enriching study abroad experience**.

GETTING THERE

Pisa's Galileo Galilei Airport is Tuscany's most well-served airport, with direct connections to cities all over Europe.

Students can also fly to Florence Amerigo Vespucci/Peretola Airport and take a bus or train from Florence to Pisa (1 to 1.5 hours).

[Direct flight connections Pisa](#)
[Direct flight connections Florence](#)

GREEN TRAVEL

Students wishing to benefit from Erasmus+ Green Travel incentives may opt to arrive by train.

Pisa's Stazione Centrale is well served by trains from Turin, Milan, and Florence, from where international trains depart for destinations in France, Germany, and Austria.

[Frecciarossa: Milan, Turin - Lyon, Paris](#)

[Nightjet: Florence - Vienna, Munich](#)

GETTING AROUND

Pisa's historic centre, where the SSML and most student accommodation are located, is walkable and bike-friendly. A local bus network serves destinations outside the centre. Buses and trains connect Pisa to regional centres like Florence, Lucca, Livorno, and Siena.

- Train: [trenitalia.com; italotreno.it](#)
- Bus: [at-bus.it](#)
- Taxi service +39 050 541600
- N.B. Uber and other ride-sharing services are not widely available in Italy

STUDYING AT SSML PISA

The Scuola Superiore per Mediatori Linguistici di Pisa (SSML Pisa) is a private university institution specializing in **language mediation, translation, and interpreting**. Located in the heart of Pisa, the school offers a dynamic and multicultural environment for students passionate about languages and intercultural communication. With a strong emphasis on both theoretical knowledge and practical skills, SSML Pisa prepares students for careers in **international relations, business communication, tourism, diplomacy, and language services**.

Students can study multiple foreign languages and develop expertise in **marketing and communication, fashion and luxury export management, sustainable tourism management, multimedia and audiovisual translation, international relations and diplomacy, international communication, business and marketing, and simultaneous and consecutive interpreting**.

SSML Pisa combines rigorous linguistic training with real-world applications. In terms of class contact time, it is the highest-rated SSML in Italy. Students in the three-year BA spend 27 hours a week honing their linguistic and in-language sector-specific skills under the guidance of our exclusively native-speaker teaching staff. MA students spend 20 hours in class a week.

Courses are taught by experienced professionals, including translators, interpreters, and industry experts, ensuring that students receive up-to-date knowledge and hands-on experience. The school also integrates modern technology, providing access to professional interpreting booths and translation software used in the field.

For incoming students, **the school provides guidance on accommodation, student services, and academic resources**, ensuring a smooth transition into life in Pisa and at the SSML. With its commitment to academic excellence, professional training, and student well-being, SSML Pisa is a top choice for those looking to build a successful career in **language mediation and intercultural communication**.





SSML PISA LOCATION

SSML Pisa is located in the heart of the historic centre, just a short walk from Piazza dei Miracoli, famous for the Leaning Tower, the Cathedral, and the Baptistry.

Polo A and Polo B are just a one-minute walk apart, located on Via Santa Maria and Via Galli Tassi, respectively.



POLO A | Via Santa Maria, 155

Ground Floor

- Library, Student Lounge
- Teachers' Lounge
- Courtyard
- Administration Offices

First Floor

- Classrooms A1|A2|A3|A4|A6

Second Floor

- Classrooms A5|A7,
- Labs L1|L2

Third Floor

- Rooftop Terrace



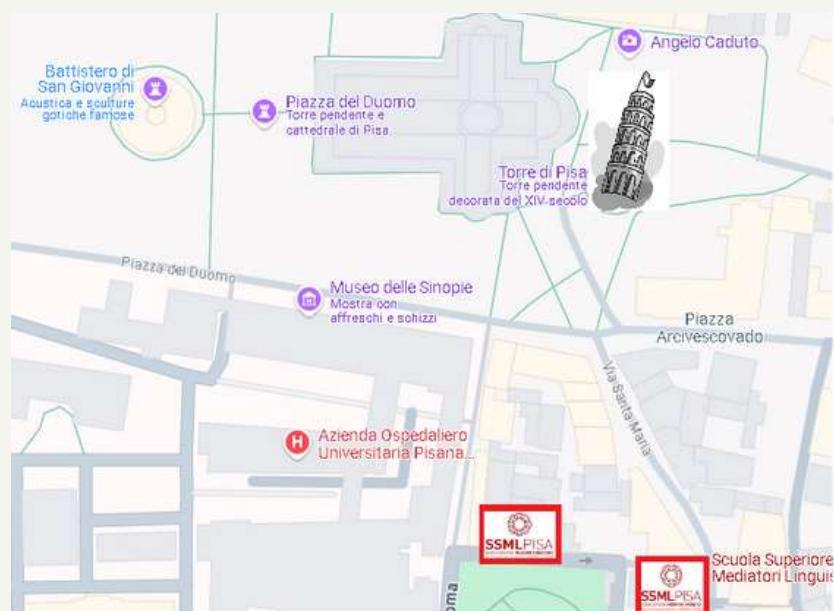
Rooftop terrace, Third Floor Polo A



POLO B | Via Galli Tassi, 12

Ground Floor Only

- Classrooms B1|B2|B3|B4
- Lab L3





ACCOMODATION

Pisa has no shortage of apartments available for rent that can be shared with other students, making it relatively easy to find suitable accommodation quickly. Many students choose to live in shared apartments to reduce costs and enjoy a more social living experience.

To assist you in your search, you can reach out to our Tutors for Incoming Students, who can help you find a place to stay from available housing options, trusted rental platforms, and practical tips for securing accommodation. They can also help you understand rental agreements and connect you with other students looking for roommates.

Accommodation in Pisa – Useful Links

Private colleges:

College Toniolo pensionatotonio.it (usually only for one year stay).

College Lanteri: istitutolanteri.it

Cappuccini Hall: aforismatoscana.net

Pensionato Femminile Suore Figlie di Nazareth: figliedinazaret.it

Pensionato Santa Marta: pensionatouniversitariosantamarta.it

Pensionato Universitario San Giuseppe: pensionatouniversitariosangiuseppe.it

Town Hall web page

www.turismo.pisa.it

Short stay

airbnb.it

Facebook groups and other websites

facebook.com/groups/cercocasapisa

facebook.com/groups/Pisa affitto studenti e/o lavoratori

facebook.com/groups/aegeepisa.rooms

phosphoro.com

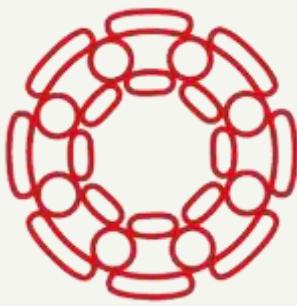
subito.it

pisa.bakeca.it

casa.it

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UNIVERSITY CAFFETERIAS

Six locations around the city

Get access to the Pisa University Cafeteria system by contacting:

Carmelina Angelucci
Azienda Regionale per il
Diritto allo Studio
Universitario
Servizio Ristorazione | Sede
Pisa
cangelucci@dsu.toscana.it |
www.dsu.toscana.it
Tel: 050.567580

- MENSA MARTIRI**
Via Martiri, 7
223 places
Pre-order gluten-free by calling
050 567441/462/398/463 by 9:45 of the same day.
- MENSA CAMMEO**
Via Cammeo, 51
77 places
- MENSA BETTI**
Via Cammeo, 51
223 places
Pre-order gluten-free by calling
050 567441/462/398/463 by 9:45 of the same day.
- MENSA CAMPUS PRATICELLI**
via Berchet, 40
134 places
- MENSA ROSELLINI**
via Ippolito Rosellini, 6
33 places
Pre-order gluten-free by calling
050 567441/462/398/463 by 9:45 of the same day..





EU citizens

Health care assistance is available to all European citizens (belonging to EU Member States and EEA States) who have the EHIC/TEAM card (European Health Insurance Card) or who enrol in the Italian National Health Service.

If you have the EHIC/TEAM card, you can go directly to any family doctor, during the outpatient time, and have the right to any services needed, on a case-by-case basis. For a list of doctors and outpatient schedules, please visit the page [Ricerca medici](#) ("Search for doctors"). Students must bring their health card and a photocopy of the card to the clinic. By doing so, the doctor will not request a payment for the visit.

Those who want to join the Italian National Health Service must ask their country's health insurance scheme to issue the certificate E106, E109, or S1 and present it at the counter of the Health District on Via Garibaldi 198.

If you have the requested forms and the tax code issued by the *Agenzia delle Entrate* (see below), the registration is free and you have the right to choose your doctor and take advantage of basic services.

EU member States: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Hungary.

EEA States (non EU Members): Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland,

EU/EEA Students

salute.gov.it

and

uslnordovest.toscana.it

If you plan on staying in Italy for more than three months, you can register with the local Italian health care system. In this case, you must ask your National Health Institute for the European S1 Form and hand it in at Via Cocchi, 7, 56121 Pisa. You will be registered free of charge and will be able to choose and have your doctor in Pisa.

Non-EU/EEA Students

Medical hospital insurance is necessary in order to obtain a Visa and/or Residence Permit. In case you arrive in Italy without insurance coverage, you can make a voluntary inscription to the Local Health Offices (Azienda Sanitaria Locale). If you have no insurance coverage upon your arrival to Pisa, you can request assistance at the Local Health Offices (Via Cocchi, 7, 56121 Pisa)



EMERGENCIES

Guardia Medica

On public holidays and at night, basic medical assistance is guaranteed by the **Guardia Medica**.

The Guardia Medica service guarantees basic medical assistance at home in emergencies that occur at night or on public holidays.

More specifically, 8 pm-8 am from Monday to Friday, between 10 am Saturday and 8 am Monday, or on any day following a public holiday.

The Guardia Medica is at via Garibaldi, 198 Pisa, tel. 050 959866 - [Web page: The Doctor in Pisa Province, basic medical care \(guidatoscana.it\)](#)

Emergency services

For emergency services or to call an ambulance dial 112 (EU Emergency Number) or 118 (free of charge)

Emergency Department (Pronto Soccorso): **050.992300**

Ospedale di Cisanello, via Paradiso, 2 –

To reach the Emergency Department (Pronto Soccorso) or Cisanello Hospital, take a bus on AT Lines 1+, 14, or 22.



A STUDENT-FRIENDLY CITY

Pisa is a vibrant city with a historic centre full of meeting spots for young people. The **Lungarni** are the ultimate evening gathering place, along with **Piazza Chiara Gambacorti** (known to locals as *Piazza della Pera*), **Piazza delle Vettovaglie**, **Piazza Dante**, and **Piazza della Berlinetta**, all perfect for an aperitif. For a more relaxed atmosphere, there's **Piazza Santa Caterina** (officially *Piazza Martiri della Libertà*). The **Tramontana** side of the historic center, where we are also located, is particularly lively, thanks to its many pubs and venues.

For cinema lovers, Pisa offers several options:

- Multisala Odeon and **Multisala Isola Verde** for the latest releases.
- **Cinema Lanteri**, featuring a selection of arthouse films.
- **Cinema Arno**.
- **Cinema Arsenale**, specializing in auteur cinema, thematic retrospectives, and screenings in the original language.

For those interested in music and dance:

- The prestigious **Concerti della Normale** is among the most important in Italy..
- **Scuola di Musica Buonamici**, offering courses for all levels and instruments. Various dance and ballet schools.
- Culture enthusiasts can enjoy performances at the **Teatro Verdi**, which offers: A season of theatre and opera.

Wellbeing and sports:

- Yoga and meditation with different associations.
- Numerous gyms, including two with special agreements for our students.

SSML students can use the sport program of CUS Pisa (*University centre for sport*), visit for further information: cuspisa.unipi.it





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