The Necropolis of Via Ostiense field school provides students and people passionate about History and Archaeology the opportunity to excavate at an archaeological site in the heart of Rome. This is a unique opportunity to see Rome from a different perspective. You won’t be another tourist following a guide. You will be immersed in an archaeological project, helping to rewrite another page in the history of one of the most amazing civilizations of all times.

The necropolis was first excavated in the early XXth century. The cremation urns were left in place, leaving us the opportunity to excavate their remains. Those who join us will be taking part in all aspects of the research project, working along archaeologists and anthropologists excavating human remains and what it is left from the funeral banquet such as lintels or ointment pots, coins, seeds of the vegetable offerings and funeral beds. It is a privileged place for the study of the rites of death and the interpretation of the gestures and customs of the Roman civilization.

“Dum loquimur, fugerit invida aetas: carpe diem, quam minimum credula postero.”
[While we speak, envious time will have fled: seize the day, trust as little as possible in tomorrow]

- Horace, Odes XI

**NECROPOLIS OF VIA OSTIENSE**

**August 30 - September 15**

- Location: Rome, Italy.
- Period: Roman.
- Duration: 17 days
- Accommodation: Apartment.
- Program: Excavation of cinerary urns at the necropolis of Via Ostiense • Anthropological study of cremated human bones • Study and interpretation of Roman funerary remains • Cataloguing of Artifacts
Excursions

The Testaccio neighborhood is a great spot to embark on a walking tour of one of the world’s greatest cities – just over the hill is the Circus Maximus and the gateway to the Forum and the Colosseum. We will explore the Aventine, as well as take a train to Osta Antica, the main port in ancient Rome and one of the better preserved sites.

Fees

US$2,985
Fees Include:
• Full Room and Board
• Seminars
• Excursions and Roman Tours
• Medical insurance
• Application fee
• Administrative costs

Fees DO NOT include airfare.

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