

Ciao a tutti!

I am Erika. I am from Arezzo, a city in Tuscany near Siena, and I will be your onsite coordinator for next summer's Siena Program.

If you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me! My email is erikapiergentili@gmail.com

Here is some important information about Siena.

Siena is a small medieval town. In the summer months, finding a hotel or other type of accommodation can be difficult. I recommend you start searching as early as possible.

One of the best options is [Airbnb](#), especially if you want to share an apartment with other students.

If you would like to book an apartment, I also suggest this site. They have many apartment inside the city center of Siena. <https://www.vacanzeilcampo.it/>

Another site with very good apartments, but NOT inside the city center, is: <https://www.aparthotelanghel.com/>

If you are not interested in having a kitchen, a hotel is another option. I suggest this list of hotels in the center of Siena:

- Relais La Corte Dei Cavalieri - B&B Residenza d'Epoca
- Le Lupe B&B Siena
- Hotel Minerva
- B&B San Francesco
- Albergo Cannon D'Oro
- Hotel Chiusarelli
- Hotel La Perla
- Piccolo Hotel Etruria
- Albergo Tre Donzelle
- Hotel Alma Domus

Outside the center of Siena, there is the Hotel Executive. Please note that this hotel provides discounts for students who will be attending courses at the University of Siena for the Tulane Law Siena program.

Please notice that unfortunately the price of everything has increased in Italy. After the war in Ukraine, we had some problems with the consequences of the sanctions. The price of gas and electricity is very high now and the price for some foods (for example butter, flour). For this reason, I suggest you book your accommodation in advance.

Regarding meals, the University of Siena, will provide you with a card for the Cafeteria. There are two Cafeterias in the city center of Siena.

One is Mensa Sant'Agata (it is the closest from the Department of Law). The other one is Mensa Sallustio Bandini (near Piazza del Campo). **A full meal will cost you 4.5 euro and includes a first dish (pasta, soup or rice), a second dish (meat, fish, eggs) with some vegetables or legumes and also a fruit or a yogurt.**

If you prefer to eat outside, I can suggest some very good places!

For a quick lunch:

- San Paolo Pub
- Gino Cacino di Angelo
- Te Ke Voi?
- Prétto

If you are searching for a restaurant here you can find some very good place:

- [Osteria Le Logge](#)
- [Ristorante Pizzeria All'Orto de' Pecci](#) (it is situated in a beautiful garden inside Siena and you can have from here a very good view of the Torre del Mangia)
- La taverna di San Giuseppe (This is quite expensive but for sure is my favourite one!)
- [Ristorante Gallo Nero](#)
- [Antica Trattoria Papei](#)
- [La Locanda dei Tintori](#)
- [Osteria La Sosta di Violante](#)
- [Antica Osteria da Divo](#)
- [Ri.Me. Ristorante](#)
- [Osteria Nonna Gina](#)
- [La Compagnia dei Vinattieri](#)
- [Ristorante Numero Unico](#)

And last, but not least if you are searching for a Pizza here you can find some good places:

- Pizzeria il Pomodorino (very good pizza and I suggest you to eat outside, the view is wonderful)
- Pizzeria Du' Versi
- [Pizzeria Alle Scalette](#)
- Menchetti Pizzeria (for take away)
- Poppi (for take away. I suggest you to try the Ciaccino)

- Il cavaliere errante

If you need some help to organize your weekend trips I will be very happy to help you. I can give some suggestions for day (or two days) trips in Tuscany and some other places (for example Cinque Terre, Roma, Ravenna, Bologna, Napoli, Venezia).

I am available for any type of questions!

All the best,
Erika