



WELCOME TO JOHN CABOT UNIVERSITY!



TWENTY TIPS GUIDE FOR SUMMER 2011 STUDENTS

With the payment of your **\$500 tuition deposit**, you will be receiving additional information from our Admissions Office as well as various **John Cabot University** administrative offices: Housing, Registrar, Student Services, and Financial Aid (if applicable).

In order to help you organize this information, we have put together the following “**Twenty-Tips**” for you to follow:

1. **STUDENT VISA:** A student visa is NOT REQUIRED FOR SUMMER STUDY OF LESS THAN 90 DAYS!
2. **DECLARATION OF PRESENCE (DICHIARAZIONE DI PRESENZA)—Summer Sessions Only:**
According to Italian Law, non-EU students studying in Italy for less than 90 days need to register their presence on Italian territory within 8 days of arrival. They may do this instead of applying for a Permit to Stay.
For this process, Summer Session students must provide a valid passport as well as a photocopy of every page of their passport for the local authorities. You will be sent more information from the **JCU Student Services** office about this process and they will help you during the Orientation program.
3. **JCU EXPLORER’S CLUB AND FACEBOOK:** You have been invited to join the **JCU Explorer’s Club** as well as **interact with us on the JCU Facebook page**. Have you done so? These sites give you a great opportunity to connect with other current and incoming students before you arrive in Rome. If you have questions on accessing these groups, contact nsagnoli@johncabot.edu
4. **HEALTH INSURANCE:** If you do not have U.S. health insurance that is valid in Italy, you may purchase an Italian Health Insurance Policy through **Eduitalia** <http://secure.eduitalia.org/insurance> or https://secure.eduitalia.org/insurance/insurance_step1.php)

You may also contact this company via Email at: insurance@eduitalia.org and they will provide details about what the plan covers.

The cost for a summer semester is approximately **\$70**.

Please review this link: http://www.johncabot.edu/Student_Life/Student_Life_Health.aspx

5. **STUDENT PHOTOS AND ID:** A digital photo of you will be taken at the airport or at the Tiber campus during orientation. Your JCU ID card will grant you access to all building including the GYM!
6. **ORIENTATION SCHEDULE:** Please review this schedule to be sent to you via email from the **JCU Student Services Office**. It will help you to plan your first week in Rome. You must plan your arrival date in Italy in order to attend the mandatory Orientation program. Most flights from the U.S. depart on one day and arrive in Italy the next day. It is helpful to share this information with your family. There will be sessions held especially for family members.
7. **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** You will also be receiving the JCU Calendar of Events via email from the **JCU Student Services Office** which includes trips and events. Participating is a good way to get to know your fellow students. You will also be invited to interact with **JCU STUDENT SERVICES on FACEBOOK** where you can read about past and current events and what to expect regarding Student Life at JCU!
8. **CELL PHONE:** You will receive a FREE cell phone before departing for Italy. Please contact www.piccellwireless.com/johncabot (Passcode: **JOHNCABOT72**) to place your order or call **1-877-235-5742** toll-free in the U.S.
9. **REGISTRATION FOR CLASSES:** This process will take place on **April 18**. You will be sent detailed information about this on-line process directly from the JCU Registrar’s Office.
10. **HOUSING:** The University’s campus has been expanded with a new 5-star residence. Most summer students will be housed there. This fully-renovated historic building is only a two-minute walk from the University’s main campus and is nestled in a quiet side street of Trastevere, at the foot of the spectacular Gianiculum hill. It is very important that you pay your \$1,000 housing deposit as soon as possible and submit your Housing Request Form found at:

https://myjcu.johncabot.edu/forms/Student_Life/Housing/Housing_Request_Form.aspx

Questions about housing may be directed to housing@johncabot.edu If you have applied for housing, you will also be invited to join the **JCU HOUSING FACEBOOK** group and meet new friends and potential roommates.

11. **MEAL PLAN:** Have you chosen to participate in the JCU Meal Plan? If not, please review: http://www.johncabot.edu/Student_Life/Student_Life_Meal_Plan.aspx
Even though all JCU Housing apartments have a kitchen, the Meal Plan is nice if you do not want to cook your meals every day.
12. **FINANCIAL AID:** All U.S. Government and JCU financial aid is handled through this office: financialaid@johncabot.edu
13. **AIR TRAVEL TO ROME:** Have you booked your flight? An approximate amount to budget for a round-trip air ticket to and from Rome is **\$1,200.00**. JCU does not recommend any specific carrier, as there are so many deals that may be found on the web doing your own research. The earliest date you may check in to your apartment is **May 19**. This means booking a flight to leave the U.S. on **May 18**. You may not leave JCU until after the final exam day which is **Friday, June 24**.
14. **AIRPORT PICK UP:** You need to complete an arrival form so JCU can pick you up at the airport. If you are coming in using your own transportation, please inform us of your date of arrival on campus. The arrival form may be found at: http://www.johncabot.edu/Student_Life/Housing/Housing_Arrival_Information.aspx
15. **PACKING:** Plan to pack lightly! You only need to bring the two suitcases you can check with the airline, along with a backpack or shoulder bag with all your important documents that you will bring on the plane. Some airlines only allow one bag and will charge you to check a second bag. You must check with the airline company directly. Remember to clearly mark your name and that of John Cabot University's Rome address on the inside and the outside of your luggage!
16. **COPIES OF DOCUMENTS:** You will need to make extra copies of your passport, and other important documents. You should leave one copy at home with your family and bring at least one copy with you. Another good tip is to scan a copy of your passport and email it to your personal email and/or that of your parents.
17. **ARRIVAL IN ROME:** Drink lots of water the day you arrive and walk around Rome! It will help you get over jetlag!
18. **STOP IN TO VISIT THE JCU ADMISSIONS OFFICE!** Come in to say hello during the orientation program days. Staff members have a special gift for you!
19. **FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ROME AND ITALY:** Read the JCU booklet titled "**Life Roman Style.**" This helpful guide can answer many of your questions about your new Roman adventure here at JCU!
You can also download various JCU publications at: http://www.johncabot.edu/About_JCU/About_JCU_Publications.aspx

It is also helpful to read the U.S. Department of State web site: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/safety/safety_2836.html
Below you will find some websites with useful information about Italy and Rome:

[THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TOURIST BOARD](#) AND **[THE OFFICIAL TOURIST WEBSITE FOR ROME](#)
[ROME TRAVEL GUIDE](#) AND [HTTP://ITALY.USEMBASSY.GOV/](http://italy.usembassy.gov/)
[WWW.ITALIANTOURISM.COM](http://www.italiantourism.com)
[EN.TURISMOROMA.IT/](http://en.turismoroma.it)
[WWW.ROME.INFO/MUSEUMS/](http://www.rome.info/museums/)
[WWW.ROMEREVIEW.COM/](http://www.romereview.com/)
[ATAC.ROMA.IT/INDEX.ASP?LINGUA=ENG](http://atac.roma.it/index.asp?lingua=ENG)
[HTTP://WWW.ROMACE.IT/](http://www.romace.it/)
[HTTP://WWW.WANTEDINROME.COM/](http://www.wantedinrome.com/)**

20. **NEED MORE HELP? PLEASE CONTACT THE U.S. OFFICE AT: 1-866-457-6060 OR SEND AN EMAIL TO:**
Admissions: admissions@johncabot.edu
Student Services: studentservices@johncabot.edu
Registrar: registrar@johncabot.edu
Housing: housing@johncabot.edu
Information Technology: its@johncabot.edu
Financial Aid: financialaid@johncabot.edu