

Tom Young

My name is Tom Young. I grew up on the coast of Maine in a small town called Rockport. During my high school education in Rockport I became involved in fine arts like ceramics, jewelry, and metal work, enough so that I enrolled in Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah Georgia in 2010.

I eventually made the difficult decision to switch my major and in an effort to discover my true passion and I enrolled in a Semester At Sea through the University of Virginia. I decided to take a class in microfinance. I found the class incredibly inspiring as it demonstrated how knowledge of economics and finance could be used to help people. It introduced a human element to the discipline for me. I was also lucky enough to see an incredibly diverse array of countries on this trip. I did not want the experience to end, but of course it had to. So I searched for opportunities to continue my studies outside of the United States. That was how I found John Cabot.

I have been living in Rome for two years now. I elected to take accelerated Italian classes when I first arrived in order to learn as much of the language as fast as possible in order to develop skill in conversation. While I am a little too busy to continue my Italian study in the classroom due to my major in economics and finance, I always find time to learn and listen in the streets of Rome. I have gained a deep appreciation for the nuances of this wonderful country's culture and people.

During the spring and fall I spend my time in Rome continuing my studies while tutoring students in mathematics. During the summer I return to Maine to see my family and manage a small bookstore.

I hope to run my own business some day.