



Italy

Bostel di Rotzo Excavation



Uncover the daily lives and identities of pre-Roman mountain communities in the majestic foothills of the Alps at Bostel di Rotzo, a strategic site that served as a vital crossroads of trade and culture in Italian protohistory. You'll work alongside an expert team and be at the heart of exciting archaeological discoveries—all while gaining hands-on skills and personalized mentorship to support your future in archaeology. Beyond the dig, you'll immerse yourself in Italy's rustic Alpine communities and visit iconic UNESCO-listed cities for a field school experience that goes far beyond the ordinary.

Why you'll love this program



Real-World Research

Explore how ancient mountain communities lived and adapted over time to the expanding influence of Rome.



Field & Lab Skills

Gain critical experience in excavation, artifact cataloging, digital mapping, and public archaeology.



Unforgettable Location

Enjoy dramatic views of the Pre-Alps while you dig, and visit Venice, Verona, or Padua on program excursions.



Make a Difference

Work with community partners to conserve archaeological heritage and share its cultural significance.

Field School Details

Summer Program in Italy

- Online pre-arrival component + 3 weeks onsite in Italy
- Earn academic credit through Connecticut College
- Fieldwork, seminars & lab-based research
- Cultural enrichment activities and field trips included
- Shared mountain lodge accommodations + breakfasts and lunches provided



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Our programs take you straight into the field, where archaeological sites and dynamic ecosystems become your classroom. Don't just study abroad—participate in important research, develop real skills, and make a lasting impact. With IFR, you're not only seeing the world—you're uncovering it.

Admissions at a Glance

- One-on-one guidance available
- Competitive tuition rates
- Simple online application
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- Rolling enrollment deadlines
- All majors & academic backgrounds welcome



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