SIENA STUDIO



To all njSOA Faculty

The Siena Studio is forming.

For those faculty interested in participating in the Siena Studio this summer, please submit a one-page letter of interest – email is preferred – to Elly Matzko at matzko@njit.edu by Monday 02 February 2009.

Please include a brief statement indicating what you might want to accomplish with the students in the studio.

A synopsis of the studio program is attached for your information, along with some practical information about accommodations, stipends, etc.





N J SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE @ NJIT: SIENA SUMMER STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

FACULTY INFO

Thank you for your interest in the Siena Studio!

The following is some practical information about accommodations, travel, etc for those interested in the Siena Studio.

The Newark session of the Siena Studio runs from the beginning of the summer term through the first week in July; the Italian session runs from second week of July through the third week of August.

The students stay in a *Residenza* (dormitory) provided by the *Universitá degli Studi di Siena* where our studio space is located as well. See http://www.unisi.it/english/index en01-02.htm for more info. Our *Residenza* is on the *Via Fontebranda*, steps from *piazza del Campo* in the center of Siena. Studio meets from ~1.30 to ~7.00p Monday through Thursday. Reviews and pin-ups are almost always on Thursdays. Fridays and weekends are free for faculty and students to wander, except during the first two weeks when we are traveling as a group in Rome + Naples.

For faculty, the program rents two apartments at the agriturismo 'il Colle', located ~5km east of the city gate *Porta Pispini*. See their website http://www.ilcolle-siena.it/. It is a lovely place with spectacular views and a pool available for faculty use on a limited basis. There is local bus service to the city nearby (about a ~1k walk), but a car or *motorino* is advisable. Car pooling to the studio is also a possibility. *Il Colle* is our sanctuary; no students allowed. Ever.

Visiting njSOA faculty come for two-week periods (Saturday to Saturday). The Siena Studio provides faculty with a two-bedroom, two-bath housekeeping apartment on the ground floor with a full kitchen and a small outdoor terrace. The apartment is for exclusive faculty use, including guests at no extra charge. The Studio pays for the apartment, but faculty are responsible for everything else, including airfare, transportation and food.

Please note: The njSOA compensates Visiting Critics with a lump-sum stipend of \$4,000.00. The School allows NO reimbursable expenses!

Note: if you are faculty traveling with the group for the first two weeks in Rome and Naples, the program provides double-occupancy hotel room for you, as well as a one-week R+R stay in Siena in a shared two-bedroom, two-bath flat at il Colle or a nearby agriturismo 'Emma et Settimia'.

See also http://www.regione.toscana.it/ for information about Siena and Tuscany.

Please let us know if you've any questions.