Welcome to Worldwide Wednesdays!
If you do one thing each week to prepare for your journey, read this newsletter – and then go and get caught up on all the requirements it reminded you of! We’ll be including lots of helpful tips, dates and deadlines and important reminders here each week, so don’t forget to read up, every Wednesday!

TIP OF THE WEEK
The next few weeks will fly by, so make sure you do the following items ASAP to stay on track for your study abroad program!
- Visit the Accepted Students site
- Turn in required forms
- Get your passport

Check out our Student Guide!
Want to learn exactly how to “do as the Romans do?” With our new Student Guide, you can! Read up on your global destination before you go—we guarantee that it will be worth your while!

The Student Guide was written by students, for students, and it’s filled with great tips for how to make the most of your time abroad. Discover what other students are saying about shopping, sightseeing and (most importantly) food!

We have an entire section on Rome for you to explore, so start reading now to become an expert on Italian life before you’ve even stepped foot on a plane. In addition, don’t miss the Preparing to Go section of the Student Guide. This section, includes pages about packing your bags, budgeting for your trip and keeping in touch with your friends and family at home.

If you have any questions about the information you see on the Student Guide (or just want to hear a little more!) please contact our office at 718-990-6105.

Accepted Students’ Site
Be sure to visit the Accepted Students’ Page! Not only does this site have some great information, but it’s also the source for the required forms, visa instructions, and the MANDATORY orientation requirements.

Don’t keep this wonderful site all to yourself – share it with your parents! We know they are eager to learn more about your study abroad program. We even have Pre-Departure Orientation sessions designed especially for parents – and this is a great opportunity to get firsthand knowledge of your program. The detailed orientation schedule is also available on the site.

Applying for a Passport
If you don’t have a passport yet – or if your current passport expires before July 2013 - you need to apply for one as soon as possible. For more information regarding how to apply visit the following site:
http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/first/first_830.html

The Department of State has designated many post offices, public libraries and other government offices to issue passports. To find a location near you visit the following site:
http://iafdb.travel.state.gov/

***IMPORTANT: Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after the program end date ***

Stay Tuned for Flight Info
St. John’s University will be arranging a group flight from NYC for all students participating on the Global Passport Program. Details about booking your flight will be released soon, so keep monitoring your e-mail for updates.