TIP OF THE WEEK
“Do you know how to say ‘Hello,’ ‘Thank you’ or ‘Nice to meet you’ in the language of the country you are going to? No? Well this is the perfect time to brush up on those language skills! Know common greetings to make yourself an awesome guest in your host country!”
-Doug (Discover the World)

DEADLINES COMING UP
Scholarship deadlines are fast approaching, so head to our website for details about how to apply!
- The Summer Licari Scholarship is due by March 15th.
- The deadline for the Italian Cultural Center Summer Scholarship is April 25th.
- 9 more scholarships available on the website!

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OGS Blackboard Course Now Live!
All students who have been accepted into one of our programs have been automatically enrolled in the Office of Global Studies Blackboard Pre-Departure Course. The Blackboard course is part of the mandatory pre-departure orientation process, and all students must complete the course prior to attending their Document Submission Session. Don’t get stressed though: we’ve made the course as painless as possible, and there’s lots of important information in there! To complete the course, just read through each of the 7 “learning modules” (there’s a slideshow presentation for each one) and then complete the Quiz for that section. You can take each Quiz as many times as necessary, but you do have to score 100% on each Quiz to complete this requirement. For instructions on logging in, see the Blackboard section of the Accepted Students site.

Accepted Students: Confirm NOW!
Click here for step-by-step instructions on how to confirm your participation. You will have to submit your $250 deposit, your Program Confirmation Form, your Student Agreement Form and your Health Disclosure Form. Remember: The $250 Early Bird Discount is TODAY March 4th for Pre-Session and Summer Session I programs and April 8th for Summer Session II programs!

Apply for or Renew Your Passport!
A passport is required for all Global Studies programs and must be valid for at least 6 months after the program end date. It can take 6 to 8 weeks to get your passport so you’ll want to start this process NOW (if you haven’t already). Click here for a step-by-step guide for how to apply for a U.S. passport.

Checked out the 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. Your individual program page with program dates and other key info are posted here under “Short-Term Programs” or “Embedded Travel Courses.” Don’t keep these wonderful sites all to yourself – share it with your parents! We know they are eager to learn more! We even have Pre-Departure Orientation sessions designed especially for parents – a great opportunity for parents to get firsthand knowledge of your program. The orientation schedule is posted on the OGS website. Right now, if your parents missed our parent information sessions, they can review the presentation here.