

1. Introduction

Mission and Vision

Mission Statement:

*"At Syracuse Academy, our mission is
to inspire each student to learn
by nurturing intercultural understanding and critical thinking
immersed in the Mediterranean context,
and to become global citizens
who may contribute to holistic sustainable development."*

Syracuse Academy is a purpose-driven and community-oriented educational institution that offers academic study programs dedicated to supporting the health and vibrancy of Sicily and its inhabitants, institutions and natural ecosystems, including land and marine biodiversity and resilience in the face of climate change, while addressing issues of regional and global importance. Its mission and values are based on cultural exchange, community building, holistic sustainable development and on the proposition that no person or place can be left behind in pressing forward with societal advance.

Syracuse Academy adheres to the proposition that international educational institutions should provide innovative, collaborative and interculturally-based learning experiences while simultaneously focusing on experiential education, seeking to deliver significant benefits to the local and global community through proactive engagement. As an organization focused on supporting international and intercultural exchange opportunities, Syracuse Academy places students' learning and development needs first and at the center, through rigorous evidence-driven pedagogy, problem-based learning and competency-based curriculum, as well as through attentive provision of student support services.

