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IN THE SCHOOLS

The field placement at San Giovanni Basco was life-changing. The children were extremely invested in their education. There was a lot of collaboration amongst all of the teachers, so the students were getting the best education possible. Both the teachers and students took pride in their work. It was a pleasure to engage with the children because they cared so much about what they were working on. The children were so welcoming on our first day and did not want to leave us at the goodbye event. I felt so loved, valued and appreciated for being a teacher.

This trip confirmed that I am definitely pursuing the right career!

FAVORITE MEMORIES

- Teaching English to the children
- Touring the Colosseum
- Boat ride around the Isle of Capri (even though I got sea sick)
- Seeing the Pompeii ruins
- The street vendors



While abroad, our group (including all my peers and the campus leaders) collaborated so well together. We did not always have the same ideas and didn't always come to a conclusion that everyone liked, but we learned to work together and compromise. I realized how much I will need this skill in my future as an educator.

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