Walk amid Europe’s most majestic mountains, the Dolomites of northern Italy, where you’ll hear as much German being spoken as Italian. Traverse fertile valleys, ride a cable car up to the lofty heights of Seceda and circle the vertical walls of the Tre Cime, or Three Peaks. Walk in the shadow of Mt. Paterno, a front line of World War I. Savor delicious local specialties such as wurst, goulaschsuppe and raclette as you lunch in picturesque mountain huts. Stay in the charming villages of Castelrotto and San Cassiano and enjoy amazing views outside your hotel window. Learn from geology professor and environmentalist Scott Burns, BS ’69, MS ’70, about the unusual formations, plant and animal life, and human history of this Tyrolean mountain paradise.

FACULTY LEADER

Dr. Scott Burns, BS ’69, MS ’70, has taught geology and ecology at the university level for 39 years and has won numerous awards for excellence in teaching. His enthusiasm is contagious and his knowledge of geology, local history and botany is broad. Born and raised in Oregon, he is a sixth-generation Oregonian whose forebears traversed the Oregon Trail by covered wagon in 1843. He has accompanied numerous Travel/Study programs in the European Alps, Alaska and the Pacific Northwest.

ITINERARY

Friday and Saturday, July 1 & 2
U.S. / VERONA, ITALY / SAN CASSIANO
Depart on overnight flights to Italy. Upon arrival in Verona, transfer by private coach to San Cassiano. After check-in, time permitting, stroll through the little village of San Cassiano situated at the foot of the Lavarella and the Conturines mountain ranges. Meander through the town’s pedestrian zone with its cafes, bars and shops. Gather this evening for a welcome reception followed by dinner in our hotel.
HOTEL FALZARES (D) City Walking

Sunday, July 3
SAN CASSIANO/ PRALONGIA
This morning take a short walk from the hotel to the chairlift for a ride up to Piz Sorega (6,570 ft). Walk along undulating terrain to Pralongia (7,000 ft.). A gentle descent in front of the walls of the Cunturines
Mountains has us on the path back to our hotel. Enjoy an independent lunch in San Cassiano and the rest of the afternoon at leisure. Gather later this evening for dinner in our hotel.

**Hotel Falzares (B,D) Approx. 4 hours of walking**

**Monday, July 4**

**San Cassiano / Tre Cime di Lavaredo**

Drive to Cortina and begin our days hike of Tre Cime di Lavaredo (7,888 ft). Look for mountain climbers and admire the vertical walls of the Tre Cime (Three Peaks). To the right is Mt. Paterno, the scene of heavy fighting during WWI. Enjoy an independent lunch at the Rifugio Locatelli, a hotel and restaurant located beneath the shadows of the Tre Cime. Transfer back to our hotel and enjoy the afternoon at leisure. This evening dinner is served in our hotel.

**Hotel Falzares (B,D) Approx. 3 hours of walking**

**Tuesday, July 5**

**San Cassiano / Castelrotto**

Depart this morning by coach from San Cassiano for Castelrotto. Along the way stop for a hike up to Passo Gardena. On our hike enjoy dramatic mountain vistas with deep valleys below. At the top of our hike, board our bus and continue on to Selva for an independent lunch before continuing on to Castelrotto. After a brief orientation and introduction to the town of Castelrotto, enjoy the rest of the afternoon and evening at leisure.

**Hotel Al Lupo (B) Approx. 2.5 hours of walking**

**Wednesday, July 6**

**Castelrotto / Compatsch / Puflatsch**

Board a cable car to the top of the scenic town of Compatsch (5,904 ft.). Here, begin our gentle stroll through the high alpine meadows to Puflatsch. Enjoy lunch at a local inn before continuing on to Saltria with views of Sciliar, the Mountain Range of the Witches. Return to Castelrotto by local bus and enjoy the evening at leisure.

**Hotel Al Lupo (B,L) Approx. 3.5 hours of walking**

**Thursday, July 7**

**Castelrotto / Alpe di Siusi**

Travel by private coach to Compatsch (5,576 ft) and embark on a walking field trip to the Molignon hut (6,737 ft.). Enjoy a picnic lunch there and continue walking to the Passo Duron (7,216 feet). Breathtaking views await us from the summit over the Dolomites. Circle back to Saltria and return to Castelrotto by private coach. Enjoy this evening at leisure.

**Hotel Al Lupo (B,L) Approx. 4 hours of walking**

**Friday, July 8**

**Castelrotto / Seceda**

After breakfast travel by local bus to Ortisei (St. Ulrich), the largest village in Val Gardena. Ride on two different cable cars up to Seceda (8,259 feet). Walk via Col Raiser (6,910 feet) for independent lunch at a local inn. From here it is possible to take a chairlift down to Selva (4,920 feet). Return to our hotel by bus. Celebrate the end of our journey with a special farewell reception.

**Hotel Al Lupo (B,L) Approx. 4 hours of walking**

**Saturday, July 9**

**Castelrotto / Verona / U.S.**

Following breakfast in our hotel, transfer to Verona for return flights to the U.S.
INFORMATION

Dates
July 1 to 9, 2011 (9 days)

Size
This program is limited to 34 participants.

Cost*
$3,995 per person, double occupancy
$4,595 per person, single occupancy
*Association nonmembers add $200 per person.

Included
- 7 nights hotel accommodations
- 7 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners
- Welcome and farewell receptions
- Gratuities to porters, guides and drivers for all group activities
- Group transfers to and from Verona airport on arrival and departure days
- All tours as described in the itinerary
- Minimal medical, accident and evacuation insurance
- Educational program with lecture series and pre-departure materials, including recommended reading list and travel information
- Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program

Not Included
- International and U.S. domestic airfare
- Passport fees
- Immunization costs
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Independent and private transfers
- Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
- Excess-baggage charges
- Personal items such as email, telephone and fax calls, laundry and gratuities for nongroup services

WHAT TO EXPECT
We consider this program to be moderately strenuous and physically demanding program. Daily excursions involve approximately two to six miles of walking at altitudes reaching approximately 7,900 feet. Although some participants may consider several of our daily excursions to be hikes rather than walks, all of our excursions are planned with the ability of an active and healthy individual in mind. Walking routes in the Dolomites are rugged and unpaved. Sturdy and broken-in walking boots that fit well and provide ankle support are essential for all walkers. You need to be physically fit, used to moderate exercise and ready to join in daily activities that require mobility and agility. Half to full days of touring are balanced with plenty of free time on one’s own. We welcome travelers 15 years of age and older on this program.
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT
A $1,000 per-person deposit is required to hold your space. Complete and return the attached reservation form or sign up online at www.stanfordalumni.org/trip?dolomites2011. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS
Deposits and any payments are fully refundable, less a $500-per-person cancellation fee, until 120 days prior to departure. After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and your place(s) can be resold, in which case a $1,000-per-person cancellation fee will apply.

INSURANCE
Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group-travel insurance policy. We strongly encourage that you subscribe to optional baggage and trip-cancellation insurance. A brochure offering such insurance will be mailed with your confirmation. The product offered in this brochure includes a special Waiver of Pre-Existing Conditions and coverage for Financial Insolvency and Terrorist Acts if you postmark your insurance payment within 15 days of the date listed on the confirmation letter.

ELIGIBILITY
We encourage membership in the Alumni Association; the program cost for nonmembers is $200 more than the members’ price. For more information or to purchase a membership, visit www.stanfordalumni.org/membership or call (650) 725-0692.

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or ☐ Charge my deposit to my ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

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