

Hey there,

Erasmus is coming. Are you ready to start this new experience?

Aquilasmus - ESN L'Aquila one of the many sections of Erasmus Student Network (ESN) is working for you and our volunteers are ready to welcome you in L'Aquila. Maybe you have never heard about us, so you are thinking to report this email as spam! **DON'T DO IT!**

WHO ARE WE?

We are a NO-PROFIT association, that means we are just **volunteers** (mainly ex-erasmus as well) who get no money for their time and work.

We help incoming Erasmus students to:

- Find a house in L'Aquila;
- Get a fiscal code (called "codice fiscale") and any other document you may need to live here;
- Learn Italian: we are working on a great project called TANDEM;
- Have any kind of information about the student life in L'Aquila;
- Participate to Crazy parties, trips, cultural activities, cine-forums;
-and many other things!

So, now you know who we are and what we do.

WHY? We are here to give you all the info you need to reach L'Aquila and start your life here.

First of all, we recommend you to join our [Facebook Group](#) for Incoming students, where you can ask or share any info and read the activities that we organize.

For all the info about Housing, you can write an e-mail to us at housing@esnlaquila.it

How To Reach L'Aquila?

If you land in Rome (Fiumicino or Ciampino Airports), you can take a [Gaspari Bus](#) that will take you directly to Aquila ([Amiternum Hotel](#)). Otherwise, if you want to spend some time in Rome before coming here, you can also take a bus from [Tiburtina Station](#) (you can choose between [Arpa](#) (TUA) or [Flixbus](#)) that will take you to [L'Aquila Terminal Bus](#).

If you land in Pescara (Airport of Abruzzo), you have to reach [Pescara Train Station and Terminal Bus](#) first and then, take either a [train](#) to [L'Aquila Train Station](#) or an [Arpa](#) (TUA) bus to [L'Aquila Terminal Bus](#). To reach Pescara Train station and Terminal Bus from the airport you can ask information at the Airport Help Desk.

Will you be an homeless?

As mentioned before, if you will require our help, we will help you to find a good accommodation. Bear in mind that we **are not** a real estate agency, so we have **no way** to find a house for you before you are here. After your arrival, we will help you looking for flats, translating contracts, and solving whatever problem you may have.

Before your arrival, please, fill out the [Housing/contact form](#) so we can have all the info to work on your request.

IMPORTANT: If you will need help to find a flat, you will be contacted **ONLY a few days before your arrival in L'Aquila**. A responsible for housing or a buddy will write you an e-mail or on WhatsApp.

It's not difficult to find a flat here, so you don't need to worry!

Whatever you decide, keep in mind that the University departments are all around the city, and in L'Aquila we don't have night busses, so **we strongly recommend** to rent a house in or around the center (i.e.: Viale della Croce Rossa, Via Strinella, Viale Alcide de Gasperi), so in this way you will be better able to take part in social and cultural activities organised in the city centre.

Just bear in mind that we are volunteers and maybe we might be busy with exams, so sometimes we are not able to find a house quickly. We recommend you to book 1 or 2 nights in a B&B or somewhere else.

To save some money, we obtained some discounts in these locations:

- B&B Il Vicoletto, in Via Dei Gatti, to book a room write a mail at: ilvicoletto.laquila@virgilio.it
- Holiday House, in Via Garibaldi, a kind of hostel in a beautiful villa. to book a bed write a mail at: aspettaprimavera2015@gmail.com

Meanwhile, if you want to search for some flats in L'Aquila by yourself, you can take a look on the [Rental Facebook Group](#).

We are ready to help you, travelling together, discovering cultures and partying hard!

We are sure that this experience can be the best in your life, so now it is up to you to make it memorable!!!

See you soon.

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