

OFFER OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP, 2016-2017

LAST DATE: 15.04.2016

Online Applications are invited from Indian nationals for the award of Italian Government Scholarships. These Scholarships are offered for higher studies/research projects at higher education institutions within the Italian State Education and Research system (State Institutions and research centers, or legally recognized by the competent State authority.) The list of these Institutions is on the Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) webpage: <http://www.istruzione.it/web/universita/home>

Scholarships is not granted for the following:

- Foreign institutions (universities, academies, libraries, schools of any kind), even if situated in Italy;
- Centers or research laboratories not legally recognized by the competent State authority.

Scholarships may be sought for pursuing courses of three (3) six (6) or nine (9) months duration as per the following categories

A. Applicants may apply for one month scholarship in:

1. Courses for Teachers of Italian as second language

Time frame **January 1st 2017 – September 30th 2017**

Requirements: For this type of scholarship, applicants must be teachers of Italian as second language with documented experience. The scholarship duration of this type of course is **one month**.

Age limit:- up to 45 years as on 15th April 2016.

B. Applicants may apply for three month scholarships in:-

1. Advanced Courses on Italian language and culture

Time frame **January 1st 2017 – September 30th 2017**

Requirements: This type of scholarship is eligible only for students who have **passed at least one university exam of Italian Language in India**. At the end of the course, the student is expected to achieve at least a B1 Level of Italian proficiency, attested by a certificate such as CILS, CELI, PLIDA o IT Roma Tre.

No Scholarships are offered for Beginners course.

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

C. Applicants may apply for Six or Nine months scholarships in:-

1. Postgraduate University courses (Master of Science)

Time frame **October 1st 2016 – September 30th 2017**

Requirements: Bachelor's Degree in respective subject. (For enrolment/admission after the first year, the scholarship-holder is required to have passed the university exams of the previous year.)

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

2. Master's Degree courses (Level I or II)

Time frame **January 1st 2017- September 30th 2017**

Requirements: For admission, the candidate must have Bachelor's Degree in respective subject.

It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the chosen Institution in order to be informed on the activation of the master, the schedule and the other requirements for registration. If the course includes a period of study in a country other than Italy, payment of the scholarship will be suspended for that period.

Please note: a master course might be eventually canceled or it might be activated with delays. The scholarship will be paid only if the master course is activated and only for the months of confirmed registration of the applicant to the master course.

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

3. Specialisation Schools

Time frame **October 1st 2016- September 30th 2017**

Requirements: For admission, the candidate must have the academic qualification required for the chosen School. It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the chosen School in order to be informed on the activation and schedule of the course, and the other eventual requirements of registration.

Specialization Schools of medical disciplines are not eligible to get a scholarship.

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

4. Research Under Academic Supervision

Time frame **January 1st 2017 – September 30th 2017**

Requirements: in order to apply for this type of scholarship, the candidate must submit the research project and the letters of acceptance from the host Institution. The research project must be carried out within the Italian State Education and Research System, including public museums and archives, and institutions as CNR (Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche) and ISS (Istituto Superiore di Sanita).

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

5. Courses of Higher Education in Art, Music and Dance (AFAM), Scuola Internazionale di Liuteria di Cremona; Scuola di Alta Formazione e Studio (SAF) of the Istituto Superiore per la Conservazione ed il Restauro (ISCR), and Scuola Nazionale di Cinema

Time frame **October 1st 2016- September 30th 2017**

Requirements: i) For admission to Courses of Higher Education in Art, Music and Dance (AFAM) and to the Scuola Internazionale di Liuteria di Cremona, candidates must possess a High School Diploma or a title valid locally for admission to Academies of Fine Arts or Conservatories of Music. It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the chosen Institute/ Institution in order to be informed on any other possible requirements for the admission. The list of the **AFAM institutes** can be seen on the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MIUR) webpage:

<http://www.afam.miur.it/argomenti/istituzioni.aspx>

ii) For admission to Scuola di Alta Formazione e Studio (SAF) of the Istituto Superiore per la Conservazione ed il REstauro (ISCR) and to Scuola Nazionale di Cinema, candidates must possess High School diploma valid locally and pass an Admission test. It is the candidate's responsibility to be informed on the schedule of the Entrance test and on any other possible requirements.

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

D. Ph. D. Courses

Time frame **October 1st 2016- September 30th 2017**

Requirements: For admission, the candidate must have Master's Degree in respective subject. It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the chosen Institute in order to be informed on the activation of the course, the schedule and the other requirements for registration.

Please note: a Ph.D. course might be eventually canceled or it might be activated with delays. The scholarship will be paid only if the Ph.D. course is activated and only for months of confirmed registration of the applicant to the Ph.D. Course.

Age limit:- 18-35 years.

E. Undergraduate University courses- RENEWALS ONLY

Time frame **October 1st 2016 – September 30th 2017**

Requirements: This type of scholarship is offered only to candidates who in the academic year 2015-16, have received scholarship to attend an Undergraduate Course (Laurea Triennale or Corso di Laurea a Ciclo Unico), and in the academic year 2016-17 will enroll at least for the third year in the same course. The renewal is subject to verification of the student's academic achievements.

Candidates may apply for a renewal to continue or complete a multi-year course. Upon decision of the selection committee, **a renewal can be granted only if the applicant has passed the exams required in the previous year. No scholarship renewals are offered for students exceeding the legal duration to the course of study.**

Eligibility

1. Knowledge of Italian Language: Candidates **must** possess a certificate of intermediate level in Italian (e.g. CILS B2, Celi 3, PLIDA B2 or INT.IT Roma Tre) or equivalent linguistic proficiency issued by a local organization or language school (e.g. Italian Cultural Institute, Dante Alighieri Society branch etc.)

Applicants for enrolment in **Advanced Courses on Italian Language and Culture** must have at least an A2 level proficiency in Italian.

It is not required Italian language knowledge for applicants who enroll for **university courses held entirely in English.**

Restrictions: Students enrolled in a year exceeding the legal duration of the course of study (the so-called “fuori corso”) are not eligible for scholarships.

2. Candidates must have 60% marks in the required qualification.

About the Scholarship

1. Detailed information regarding the scholarship offer, can be requested to the Italian Embassy or Italian Cultural Institute in India:
<http://www.esteri.it/mae/it/ministero/laretediplomatica/>

Normally, the scholarship holders are exempt from the payment of the university tuition fees, in accordance with existing regulations. However the Universities, as part of their autonomy, **may not allow such exemption**. Candidates are therefore requested to contact the chosen Institution in order to be informed on eventual taxes or tuition fees.

2. **Health (and accident) insurance:** For the period of the scholarship granted by the Italian Government, the scholarship-holders are covered by an insurance policy against illness and/or accident.

3. **Incompatibility:** To be eligible to receive the Scholarship, candidates must not be concurrently in receipt of another scholarship offered by the Italian Government.

For more information **regarding duties and responsibilities of Scholarship-holders in Italy**, please visit the following link:

http://www.esteri.it/mae/it/ministero/servizi/stranieri/opportunita/borsestudio_stranieri.html

NOTE :

- a) Candidates who have already been abroad for study/training/specialization either on scholarship or on their own for a period exceeding six months are eligible to apply only if they have been in India for at least two consecutive years after returning from abroad as on 15.04.2016.
- b) Applications of candidates who are abroad will not be considered.
- c) For research students, a statement of 500 words outlining the applicant’s proposed research topic, including research question and objectives, proposed methodology, timeline and justification for home-located research. The statement should also identify the significance and application of the proposed research topic to the development of the applicant’s home country.
- d) Candidates who do not meet the eligibility criteria need not apply.
- e) Applicants giving false information and applications without photo and signature will not be considered.
- f) Applicant is required to be of sound health and award is subject to successful candidate’s satisfying a prescribed medical examination by donor country.
- g) In case no division/class is awarded and only grading is done, the conversion formula adopted may be mentioned. Exact percentage of marks should be mentioned.
- h) Employed persons may forward their application through their employer along with their **No Objection Certificate**. They will not be called for interview unless the certificate is forwarded with the application.
- i) The selection committee’s decision about candidates for interview or selecting a candidate for nomination will be final. **NO REPRESENTATIONS IN THIS REGARD WILL BE ENTERTAINED.**

LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:

Applicants are required to apply online by **15th April 2016 (Friday) (11:59 PM)**
BOTH AT <http://borseonline.esteri.it> AND AT
<http://www.proposal.sakshat.ac.in/scholarship/> IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR
THE SELECTION PROCESS OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS
2016-2017.

For any further clarification, candidates are advised to contact the Italian Embassy Cultural Centre, 50- E Chandragupta Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021. Fax: 011-26871902; E-mail: scholarships.iicnewdelhi@esteri.it

FORMAT



1. Name of the Scholarship Scheme : Italian Government Scholarship, 2016-2017
2. Serial no. of 'online' application at Italian Government Website :
3. Subject and Course :
(Indicate one of the subjects given in the advertisement)
4. Details of University/Institution Selected :
5. No. of date of letter of acceptance by the University/Institution selected :
6. Period, Category and Duration of the scholarship requested :
7.
 - i. Name of Candidate Sh./Smt./Kr. (In block letters) :
 - ii. Full Mailing address
 - a. Present Address :
 - b. Permanent Address :
 - c. Full name of Father/Mother/Guardian:
 - d. E-mail I.D. & Mobile No. :
8.
 - i. Sex : Male Female
 - ii. Marital Status :
 - iii. Nationality :
9.
 - i. Date of birth :
 - ii. Age as on 15.04.2016 :
 - iii. State to which the candidate belongs :

10. Academic record starting from High School/Higher Secondary (attested copies of certificates to be attached) :-

Name of the University/Board/Institution	Examinations Passed	Date of Passing	Division/Class with position, if any	Maximum marks and secured for the entire degree	Percentage of marks obtained and position if any, (No rounding off)	Subject taken

Note : Where no Division/Class is awarded and only grading is done, the conversion formula adopted may be given.

11. Details of
Professional/Practical training :
Research Experience :
No. of paper published :
Previous Employment :
(Period, Designation, Employer)

12. (a) Are you employed? : Yes No
(b) If yes, give the nature of the present employment with name and date of appointment/designation and the name and address of the employer :

13. Have you been abroad? if so, give full particulars
i) Of the country/countries visited :
ii) Period of stay (give details) :
iii) Date, Month Year of return to India :
iv) Purpose of visit :

14. Proposed Programme of Study/Research/ Training, specifying. :
i) The work presently engaged in :
ii) Nature and Programme of Study/ Research desired, :
iii) Future plans/prospects after the proposed studies/research and :
iv) How are these related to the technical or economical development of India. :

(Signature of the candidate)

Place :

Date :

ANNEXURE-II

UNERTAKING

- (a) I hereby, undertake to bear the cost of international and local travel in Italy on my own if selected for Scholarship offered by the Government of _____.

Signature of the Candidate

Date :

- (b) In the event of selection of _____ for Scholarship against the offer of scholarship by the Government of _____ the cost of international travels (both ways) and local travel in Italy will be borne by _____.

(Name of the sponsor)

Signature of the sponsor

Date :

- (c) I hereby, undertake that in the event of my selection, I will avail of the scholarships and will not withdraw from the same at any stage.

Signature of the candidate

Date :

(Strike out whichever is not applicable)