

Dear Student,

The John D. Calandra Italian American Institute of Queens College/CUNY is pleased to provide you with a new and expanded brochure regarding Italian American organizations and their unique scholarship offerings. I believe you will find the information helpful when considering possible funding sources to finance your college education as well as graduate studies.

We at the Calandra Institute are keenly aware of the important decision facing you and your family. Decisions regarding college choice, such as what college to attend and financial affordability, are never easy. This brochure has been developed to assist you with your plans and offer important “tips” about the college application process. Most importantly, general scholarship information and individual school scholarships, as well as internet resources to aid you in locating the hidden private and public scholarship dollars are listed within.

I would like to bring to your attention the special section on Exchange/Study Abroad Programs. Students who have had the opportunity to participate in such programs have reported to our staff members that such an experience has helped them gain an understanding of their heritage, and pride in preserving that heritage while pursuing their academic interests. Furthermore, an exchange/study abroad experience is also known to enhance post-college marketability when applying for jobs. I hope you will explore the many wonderful opportunities that await you!

Please know that the Institute’s Counselors stand ready to support you in your academic and career endeavors through the counseling services that we provide. Our counselors can help you make informed choices in your educational and career plans through our High School Outreach Program and free Career Counseling Center located in mid-Manhattan.

Finally, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to you for all that you have accomplished and wish you and your family nothing but the very best as you enter college. I remain,

Sincerely yours,
Maria T. Fosco
Director of Administration and Community Programs

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Financial Aid at a Glance

Helpful Tips in Applying for Financial Aid

- Apply early for financial aid.
- Respond quickly with additional information when requested.
- Provide exactly what is requested, whether forms or specific data.
- Complete all requirements for admission well before the financial aid deadlines.

Types of financial aid

There are two types of financial aid: gift-aid and self-help aid. Students may be awarded a financial aid package including a combination of these. Gift-aid includes grants and scholarships which do not have to be repaid or earned. Self-help aid includes loans which must be repaid and work-study funds which must be earned. Each is described below.

Grants

Grants are gift aid awarded on the basis of financial need which do not require repayment. In general, grants are awarded to students with the highest demonstrated financial need. Grants are provided by the federal government, the state, or the college.

Loans

Loans are funds that you borrow which must be repaid. Loans are provided by the federal government, the state, the college, and private lenders through alternative loan programs.

Student Employment

Work opportunities on and off campus are available through the Federal Work Study program. Job placement is usually coordinated by the Career Services Office.

Scholarships

Scholarships are gift aid awarded on the basis of merit, academic achievement, athletic ability, or special talents and conditions. Scholarships do not have to be repaid. Sources of scholarship funds include the college and outside agencies. This booklet is designed to provide Italian American students with information and scholarship sources, as well as helpful advice regarding the scholarship application process.

General Scholarship Information

High school and college scholarships and graduate fellowships are forms of aid that help students pay for their education. Hundreds of thousands of scholarships and fellowships from several thousand sponsors are awarded each year. Some scholarships are awarded by community organizations, corporate donors, and private foundations which require completion of their own application. Others are available to the employees of certain companies and/or to the employees' dependents. Most private scholarships are based on good grades, special talents, leadership ability, future careers, ethnic heritage, and other criteria.

There are literally thousands of scholarships available, so you should:

- Start your search as soon as possible;
- Keep a notebook of scholarships that you are eligible to apply for;
- Start working on a general essay you can use and adjust (most scholarship applications ask for an essay); and
- If you are a senior, check with the institution(s) you plan to apply to.

Searching for scholarships takes time. It is advantageous to start right now. Some scholarships for students are awarded as early as 9th grade, so do not wait until your senior year to start searching. Also, do not pay companies to do financial aid searches. Any information that would be available through these companies is also available to you either in the library or on-line.

The best way to search for scholarships and fellowships is to use all the resources available to you. Ask family members, teachers and counselors from school, and the many institutions in your neighborhood, cultural, religious, financial, etc. Also use your computer to seek out information and requirements. Students who are awarded scholarships often need additional financial assistance. See the Loans section for information on student and parent loans.

Types of Scholarships

University Scholarships are awarded to students with high grade point averages and/or test scores. Most scholarships awarded by the college's Financial Aid Office are based on both financial need and academic excellence. Applicants must meet all priority deadlines for consideration. You should be aware that although they don't always like to acknowledge it publicly, many private colleges offer grants to be competitive with lower cost public institutions, and these grants are often offered to students with very little or no demonstrated financial need. In fact, private colleges frequently "rebat" a large portion of their tuition revenue in the form of institutional financial aid. When these "rebates" are factored in, some private colleges are ultimately no more expensive, or less expensive, to attend than public colleges and universities with lower published fees.

The **Regents Scholarship** is one of the most prestigious scholarship awarded to college students. The Regents Scholarship is a renewable award that covers the student's full financial need, less any other grants the student is receiving. Students with no financial need receive an honorary award.

Chancellor's/President's Scholarship. These Scholarships are non-renewable awards offered to incoming freshmen with a distinguished high school academic record at many colleges.

Alumni Scholarship. College Alumni Associations offer merit-based scholarships to entering freshmen. Applicants usually must demonstrate leadership in extracurricular activities, community activities, employment or personal situations. The application process usually requires submission of an essay, and top candidates will be selected for an interview. Award amounts may vary annually.

Leadership and Involvement Scholarships are available for students who have demonstrated leadership and involvement throughout their high school years. Some scholarships focus on leadership and involvement exclusively, while others combine leadership qualifications with community service. This is especially true of those scholarships given by community organizations. Youth citizenship awards are given to outstanding young men and women in graduating classes. To qualify, students must have demonstrated leadership, dependability, and service in their home, school, and community.

Sports and Athletic Scholarships abound for the athletically gifted student at most colleges and universities. Many universities offer varsity athletes from 80 to 400 athletic scholarships for a whole slate of sports including some lesser known ones such as bowling and golf. There is even one for non-athletes. The National Basketball Association (NBA) offers \$50,000.00 in scholarships to high school seniors based on academic and extracurricular activities without regard to athletic ability. Applicants must submit an essay of 500 words or less on "The Importance of a College Education."

Club Scholarships are offered to students with specific interests who are involved in certain clubs. Future Farmers of America (FFA) offer a scholarship to FFA members planning to enroll in a four-year program. Junior Achievement (JA) gives scholarships to JA alumni or volunteers who teach in the JA organizations and are graduates in an MBA program. National 4-H Council, through some 60 business corporations and foundations, offers hundreds of college scholarships. Other college scholarships are available to present or former 4-H members now enrolled in college who have an interest in animal science, veterinary medicine, forestry, agricultural business, economics, or marketing. Specific 4-H scholarships are given to students in different areas or who have completed different projects. For example, raising a guide dog qualifies a student for such a scholarship.

Parents' Profession. Many organizations offer scholarships to the children of those workers involved in a particular industry. For instance, dependents of people involved at all levels of the shoe industry may obtain financial assistance through scholarships and grants. Scholarships are also offered to children of firemen and peace officers, as well as custodial employees of departments of correction or game wardens. Certain colleges offer awards to relatives of clergy and siblings of current students. Several colleges offer grants for ministerial dependents. Sometimes scholarships are limited by location and assist

students who are legal residents of the state and are children of police officers, fire fighters, volunteer fire fighters, or corrections officers who served in New York and died as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty.

Parents' Employers. Children whose parents work for certain food companies are eligible for numerous scholarships, financial assistance plans, loans, and educational opportunities. Many other companies offer scholarships to dependents of their employees.

Parents' Unions. Many, many unions and professional organizations also offer a myriad of scholarships for its members and their children.

Parents' Clubs. Students whose parents belong to certain clubs may also be eligible for scholarships.

Tips!

- First, take the most challenging classes available to you, work hard, and get involved in co-curricular, community, charitable and/or public service activities; the more you have to offer the more likely you are to be offered a scholarship.
- Second, research, research, research. The more time you spend investigating scholarship opportunities, the more likely you are to find scholarships for which you may be eligible.
- Don't let anyone discourage you. There are lots of people "out there," including some educators, who are inadvertently spreading misconceptions about who may qualify for financial aid and what is required to do so.
- And, most important of all, do not fail to investigate or apply to a college you like because you think it is too expensive. You never know what kinds of scholarships and/or financial aid you might receive. However, just like you should have "fall back" or "safety" colleges in case you are not admitted to your first choice institutions, you should choose and apply to colleges that will be affordable if you do not receive the financial assistance for which you hope.
- Finally, pay attention to details and deadlines when applying for scholarships. "Typed" doesn't mean handwritten, "double spaced" means "double spaced" and deadlines are not suggestions. Good luck.

Loans

Federal Stafford Loans

Stafford loans are federally guaranteed, low interest loans. Loan limits vary according to the year of study. To apply, all students must first file the FAFSA. Check with your college for application procedures.

Subsidized Stafford loans: Eligibility is based on your financial need as calculated from information provided on the FAFSA. There is no income cutoff as long as you demonstrate need. The federal government pays the interest on the loan while you are in college. You begin repayments six months after you are no longer enrolled at least half-time.

Unsubsidized Stafford loan: Eligibility is not based on financial need. You are responsible for paying the interest on the loan. Interest begins to accrue immediately but you are not required to begin repayment until six months after you are no longer enrolled at least half time.

Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (FPLUS)

Parents and/or stepparents may borrow up to the cost of attendance less other financial aid, each year for each undergraduate dependant child. Eligibility is not based on need. FPLUS loans can be used to meet the calculated family contribution. For more information, check with the college.

Federal Direct Loans

Direct loans are available only at certain colleges as an alternative to FPLUS. If your college participates in the Direct Loan Program, it will notify you of application procedures.

Federal Perkins Loans

Undergraduates and graduates may borrow up to a fixed amount each year and repayment is to begin nine months after you are no longer enrolled at least half time, with up to ten years to repay. Exceptional financial need and the availability of funds determine eligibility. To apply, file the FAFSA.

Application Process

If You Qualify, Apply!

Scholarships are never too large or too small. Many applicants make the mistake of overlooking the smaller scholarships. The larger the scholarship is, then the more competition you have. **Go For It All!**

Apply Early

It's never too early to start searching for scholarships. If you don't start now, you are missing out on opportunities. While it's true that most scholarships are open to high school seniors, you should start your search even earlier. In fact, there are some scholarships that are only open to high school juniors such as the Discover Card Tribute Award Scholarship. This program awards more than \$1 million in scholarships each year to students at the state and national level. Find out more from your guidance counselor or by visiting www.discovercard.com/tribute.htm.

As a non-senior, you will find more opportunities to win scholarships through competitions, which are often open to younger high school students. Here are a few awards that are open to underclassmen:

- * Imation Computer Arts Scholarship
- * National History Day Contest
- * National High School Oratorical Contest
- * Ayn Rand Essay Contests

In addition to helping you pay for college, winning a scholarship before your senior year will give you an honor to share in your college applications. And even if you don't win, you'll have practice writing essays and completing applications that will help prepare you for applying to college and for other scholarships in the future.

Be Organized

While there are thousands of scholarships available, there is only one of you to apply for them and you have a limited amount of time. It's absolutely essential that as you research scholarships, you develop a way of organizing them. During your search, prioritize the awards by how well they fit your background. Put the deadlines of those on a calendar so you know which awards to tackle first.

Next, make a list of the materials required to enter each scholarship, this way you'll know how many transcripts, essays, and letters of recommendation you need. It's better to ask a teacher to write five recommendation letters one time, than to ask a teacher on five separate occasions to write one letter.

Make an appointment with your guidance counselor as soon as possible. The earlier you can discuss your background and goals, the more your counselor can help you. Explain what you might like to study, your future career plans, and what qualifications you have for scholarships. Now is the best time to ask if there are scholarships for which your counselor can nominate you.

Request scholarship applications as far in advance as possible. Some organizations are great about sending out applications immediately while others can take several weeks. Include a cover letter that describes the grade that you are in, where you go to school and that you plan to attend college. If the scholarship has specific criteria such as attending college in a particular state or majoring in a specific field, explain your plans to do so. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope. If you don't receive an application within four weeks, you can resend a request. Awarding organizations receive thousands of requests and it's possible for requests to get lost.

Personal Statement

In most cases scholarship selection committees do not meet applicants before making award decisions. Your application packet represents you to the committee. Neatness helps make a good first impression. Following instructions or failing to follow instructions can tell a college a lot about the type of student you may make. Include all community service activities, relevant work experience and leadership positions you have held in the last 5-10 years. What may seem like an insignificant detail to one person may be very important to others. Let the scholarship committee get to know the real you. Many selection committee members are experienced and can spot a "phony." A generic statement written for all applications will not work well. Scholarship committees really read these statements and partially base their decisions on what they read. Be sure your statement addresses the suggested topic.

Letters of Reference

Choose someone who knows you well and who is willing to document your positive attributes. Avoid references who use Form letters. Personal letters are much more effective. Allow plenty of time. Don't ask for a letter of reference too close to your scholarship deadline. Different scholarships may request different types of references. Some will only accept references from professors while others may accept many types of references. Some examples of preferred references are: Professors, Club and Organization Sponsors, School administrators, Employers, Pastors/Clergy, and Community Leaders.

Summary

Your completed scholarship packet tells the selection committee who you are. In most cases they will never meet you in person. Your scholarship application packet is you until you arrive on campus. Make sure your packet makes the best possible impression. In selecting scholarship recipients, the committee is investing the college or university's money. They will look for students they think will make the best use of the opportunity.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Complete the FAFSA available on line at www.fafsa.ed.gov or a paper application from your local university, community college or area high school (use the envelope provided for mailing the FAFSA). A renewal application will be mailed to returning students who received a Student Aid Report (SAR) the previous year.

By completing the FAFSA, you are applying for Federal grants, loans, and work study. You may also be eligible for other state grants and/or scholarship funds. In order for your information to be released to a college, you must list that college's school code on the form. There is no fee to apply for federal financial aid. If you want to apply to other institutions, check with each college to find out whether additional forms are required. If you submit your FAFSA form using the web site, you can receive your SAR from the federal processor in about 14 days after requirements are met. If you apply by mail, processing can take about four weeks. Review the SAR for accuracy and make any corrections or changes according to the instructions. If your SAR is correct, keep it for your records.

Colleges receive your FAFSA/SAR information through an electronic process. The college's Financial Aid Office reviews the application information and possibly other required forms before making a financial aid decision. This decision is offered as a notification of a financial aid award. Awards are communicated in writing after students are admitted to a degree or certificate program and have completed all required documents.

Eligibility Requirements for Federal Aid

For all federal programs, the student must:

- Be a U.S. citizen, a national or other eligible non citizen. Permanent residents may be required to provide a copy of their I-151, I-551 or I-551C Alien Registration Receipt Card.
- Not be in default on any National Direct Student Loan, Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford or Federal Supplemental Loans. This also applies to parents if applying for Federal Parent Loans (PLUS).
- Have a valid Social Security number.
- Not owe a refund or repayment on a Federal Pell Grant, State Student Incentive Grant (SSIG) or Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG). This also applies to parents if applying for Federal PLUS loans.
- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a degree or certificate program.
- (Males) Comply with U.S. Selective Service registration requirements to be eligible for federal and state aid.
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by the college.
- Comply with all the terms specified on the back of the Notice of Award and Acceptance Agreement. Awards are based on the expectation that students will successfully complete full-time course loads during fall and spring semesters unless you inform the Office of Student Financial Aid otherwise. Since costs for part-time attendance are less, aid offers may need to be adjusted downward or eliminated.
- First time Stafford Loan borrowers must view a loan counseling video.

New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

TAP is a grant program for New York State (NYS) residents attending a NYS college full time. Eligibility for TAP is based on NYS net taxable income. To apply for TAP, you must first file the FAFSA. If you list a college or university on your FAFSA, you will receive a pre-printed NYS Express TAP Application (ETA).

Contact:

New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC)
Tower Building
Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12230
1-888-NYSHESC

Italian American Organizations' Scholarships

American Association of Teachers of Italian College Essay Test

Several awards based on selected topic.

Contact: Professor Aste at 978-934-4290 or e-mail: mario-aste@uml.edu

For further information, contact Lucrezia Lindia, e-mail: LGLINDIA@hotmail.com

American Italian Historical Association

Offers scholarship to any graduate student in any discipline, whose work focuses on the Italian American experience.

Contact: Chairperson

Luciano Iorizzo

134 W. Seneca Street

Oswego, NY 13126

www.mobilito.com/aiha

American Italian Women's Club of Westchester, Inc.

For scholarship information, contact:

Mrs. Vincent LaRocca

16 Troy Lane

New Rochelle, NY 10801

Center for Italian Studies Scholarships

The Center for Italian Studies offers scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students who are pursuing one of the Italian degree programs (B.A., M.A., D.A.). Scholarships are awarded in the amount of \$1,000 for undergraduate students, and \$1,500 for graduate students enrolled full-time at Stony Brook. Eligible students are strongly encouraged to apply. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic merit and financial needs.

Contact: Professor Charles Franco: cfranco@notes.cc.sunysb.edu

Columbia Lawyers Association

Available to law school students.

Contact: Christopher Maher, 212-883-1144

Columbus Alliance Italian Award Scholarship

Given to undergraduate students from the Bronx area who excel in the Italian language and continue to involve themselves in Italian heritage.

Contact: Dominick DiVercerza, 718-654-9570

Columbus Citizen Foundation Scholarship Fund

College Fund

Awards are granted to graduating high school students based on their academic achievement, financial need, and contributions to the community. Each year the Fund provides an average of \$150,000 in educational scholarships.

High School Fund

Provides ten to fifteen scholarships annually for Italian American students to attend private high schools.

Contact: Columbus Citizens Foundation, Attn. Elaine M. Florio
8 East 69 Street
New York, NY 10021-4906
212-249-9923
FAX 212-737-4413

Federation of Italian American Organizations

Scholarships awarded to high school graduates entering college who have distinguished themselves in community service.

Contact: 718-259-2828
www.fiaobrooklyn.com

Fieri Bronx/Westchester Scholarship

Contact: Maria DiMeo Calvelli
642 Esplanade
Pelham Manor, NY 10803
212-906-8724

Fondazione Giovanni Agnelli

Fellowships offered to graduate students at United States universities who are specializing in the study of the peoples of Italian origin in North America or who are studying them as a significant part of a comparative project.

Contact: Giovanni Agnelli Foundation
Italian American Studies Fellowship Program
P.O. Box 2766
Fairfax, VA 22031-0766

Il Cenacolo Scholarship Award

Administered by NIAF, for students in the natural sciences, except medicine, attending the University of Arizona, California Institute of Technology and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Contact: Serena Cantoni, Director of Scholarships and Grants
202-939-3111 X130
e-mail: serena@niaf.com or
Rich Santoro, Assistant Director, rich@niaf.com

Istituto Italiano di Cultura

Scholarship to study Italian in Italy consists only of free tuition for a four-week or two-week course of Italian Language. All travel and other expenses are not included. Student or teacher must reside or attend school in the Istituto's jurisdiction (Southern California, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico).

Contact: Italian Cultural Institute
1023 Hilgard Avenue
Westwood Village, CA
310-443-3250
FAX 310-443-3254
www.italcultny.org

Italian American Lawyers Association

Scholarships are based on academic achievement, potential contribution to the Italian American community and some consideration of financial need.

Contact: Italian American Lawyers Association
c/o J. Sheldon Capeloto, Esq.
201 South Lake Avenue, Suite 606
Pasadena, CA 91101

The Italian American Scholarship Association, Inc.

For more information, contact:
John V. Perrella
P.O. Box 404
Bardonia, NY 10954

Italian Government Translation Grants and Prizes

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs awards grants and prizes for the translation of Italian works in order to promote the circulation of Italian culture abroad. Applications should be submitted to the Italian Cultural Institute in whose jurisdiction the publishing house is located, by March 31 or September 30 of every year. They must specify whether they are a Prize or Grant application. Within 60 days from each deadline, Embassies and Cultural Institutes will forward to Ministry of Foreign Affairs a report for each application. The awards will be announced within the following two months. Prizes are awarded **ONLY** to works already translated and published. Applications must include one copy of the original (Italian) work and one copy of the translation.

Italian Consulate General - the New York Jurisdiction includes: New York, Connecticut, New Jersey [following counties(*): Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Union, Warren], Bermuda. Contact the Italian Consulate for more information.

National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW)

Founded twenty years ago, NOIAW provides scholarships and programs dedicated to forming a national and international network for women of Italian ancestry.

National Organization of Italian American Women
445 West 59th Street, Suite 1248
New York, NY 10019
(212) 237-8574 (212) 489-6130

NOIAW offers \$500 scholarships to graduate students of Italian heritage. Applicants must have satisfactory grades and one parent of Italian heritage. Applicants must be able to demonstrate financial need.

Submit Applications to:

Donna de Matteo

Scholarship Chair

144-11 South Drive

Malba, New York 11357

National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)

NIAF is a non-profit, non-partisan organization formed in 1975 by Italian-American leaders to preserve Italian heritage. Of special concern to NIAF is the education of young people who will become tomorrow's leaders. To meet the immediate and long-range needs of students, NIAF offers a wide variety of scholarships. The awards are based on academic merit and divided between two groups of students.

Category I: Italian American students who demonstrate outstanding potential and high academic achievement. Area of study: open.

Category II: Those student from any background majoring or minoring in Italian language, Italian studies or a related field, who demonstrate outstanding potential and high academic achievement.

For additional information, please send a stamped business-size, self-addressed envelope to:

The National Italian American Foundation Scholarship Program

666 11th Street N.W., #800

Washington, D.C. 20001

www.niaf.org/scholarships

New England Regional Scholarships
Greater New York Regional Scholarships
Lower Mid-Atlantic Regional Scholarships
Capital Area Regional Scholarships
Southeast Regional Scholarships
North Central Regional Scholarships
Mid-America Regional Scholarships
South Central Regional Scholarships
Northwest Regional Scholarships
Mid-Pacific Regional Scholarships
Southwest Regional Scholarships
Italian Regional Scholarships
Communications Scholarship
Rose Basile Green Scholarship for Literature

The John & Anne Parente/NIAF Scholarship
NIAF/Sacred Heart University Matching Scholarship
Antonio and Felicia Marinelli Scholarship
O. Mike Marinelli Nova University Scholarship
O. Mike Marinelli Barry University Scholarship
Dr. William L. Amoroso, Jr. Scholarship
Vincente Minnelli Scholarship
Agnes E. Vaghi Cornaro Scholarship
Thomas Joseph “Willie” Ambrosiole Scholarship
The Antonio M. Marinelli Founders’ Scholarship
Alyce M. Cafaro Scholarship
Joe Tangaro Memorial Athletic Scholarship
**Johnson & Wales University/Governor Christopher DelSesto/
NIAF Scholarships**
St. Anselm’s College Scholarship
Gianni Versace Scholarship in Fashion Design
The Frank J. Corsaro Scholarship
Lido Club of Washington D.C. Scholarships
Marisa Sacchi Antonini Scholarship
Augustus Society/NIAF Matching Scholarships
Congressman Alfred E. and Betty Santangelo Scholarship
Emeline Maggiore Memorial Scholarship
Vincent Zecchino, M.D. Scholarship
**Michael C. Rainone Trustee for American Relief for Italy
Fellowship**
Studio Art Centers International (SACI) Scholarship
Guido-Zerilli-Marimo Scholarship
Daniel Stella Scholarship
Piancone Family Agriculture Scholarship
Silvio Conte Internship
Robert J. DiPietro Scholarship
NIAF – Pavarotti Scholarship
Sergio Franchi Music Entertainers in Voice Performance
Nina Santavicca Scholarship
NIAF Study Abroad Scholarships
NIAF/Pepperdine Scholarship
Westchester Community Scholarships
Italian Cultural Society and NIAF Matching Scholarships
**Altamura/Enrico Caruso International Voice Competition
U.S.A.**
Louis A. Caputo, Jr. Scholarship

Richard Perrone Scholarship
Dante Fascell/NIAF Matching Scholarship
La Dolce Vita/NIAF Matching Scholarship
Doctoral Research in Italy Fellowship
Vincent and Anna Visceglia Italian Studies Fellowship
NIAF/NOIAW-Cornaro Scholarships
Peter and Sally Sammartino Scholarship
The Frances M. Rello Scholarship
**Congressman Frank J. Guarini, Mrs. Caroline L. Guarini
Scholarship**
Paragano Scholarships
John A. Volpe Scholarship
West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival Scholarships
Nerone/NIAF Matching Art Scholarship
Scalia Scholarship
Angela Scholarship
Alex & Henry Recine Scholarship
GRI/ICIF Culinary Scholarship
Lucia Rapazzo Scholarship
Antonelli Family Scholarship
Sports Hall of Fame/NIAF Scholarships
**Panetta Institute/NIAF Intern Program Matching
Scholarship**
Amy Margherita Puzio Scholarship
Dr. Nicholas and Serafina Perrone Scholarship

Special NIAF Scholarships

Emanuele and Emilia Inglese Memorial Scholarship

Available to Italian American undergraduate students who trace their lineage from the Lombardy region and who are the first-generation to attend college.

George L. Graziado Fellowships for Business

Open to undergraduate American students of Italian ancestry studying at the George L. Graziado School of Business and Management at Pepperdine University, California. Two awards given. Academic merit, financial need, and community service are considered.

Norman R. Peterson Scholarship

Business/finance/economics for undergraduate American students from the mid-west (Michigan-based) of Italian ancestry for study at John Cabot University in Rome.

For info., contact: Francesca Gleason

Giargiari Fellowship

Award is based on merit, need and service. The stipend is \$5,000 for one year.

Carmela Gagliardi Fellowships

Award is based on merit, need and community service. The stipend is \$5,000 for one year.

Assunta Luchetti Martino Scholarship for International Studies

International studies for undergraduates of Italian ancestry who are pursuing degrees in international studies. Considerations are academic merit, financial need and community service.

Bolla Wines Scholarship

International studies—emphasis on Italian business or Italian-American history. For undergraduate or graduate students of Italian heritage with a GPA of 3.0+ and a background in international studies. Must write an essay on “The Importance of Italy in Today’s Business World.” (3 pages, double spaced, typed.) Community service and financial need considered. Write for application and details.

F.D. Stella Scholarship

For undergraduate and graduate business majors. Open to undergraduate or graduate business majors of Italian heritage. Also considered are academic merit and financial need.

Merrill Lynch Scholarship

For undergraduates of Italian ancestry who are pursuing degrees in business and are residents of the state of New York. Considerations are academic merit, financial need, and community service.

The Vennera Noto Scholarship

For undergraduates of Italian ancestry who are business majors. Considerations are academic merit, financial need, and community service. Write for application and further information.

Alexander DeFilippis Scholarship

For undergraduate engineering students of Italian ancestry attending Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Scholastic merit, financial need, and community service are considered.

New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers (NYSAFLT)

Graduate Scholarship

Two scholarships awarded to students pursuing graduate studies in foreign language or foreign language education.

Undergraduate Student Scholarship Award

This award is designed to recognize an excellent student of foreign languages who is graduating from a post-secondary institution in New York State. The applicants must submit a dossier to the Post Secondary Award Committee through a language instructor who must be a current member of NYSAFLT.

Philip A. Fulvi Memorial Scholarship

For excellence in foreign language study to a high school senior with a 90+ average in foreign language.

Student Recognition Award

Awarded to a high school senior with a strong interest in and a love of languages.

Love of Language Award

Given to an outstanding 8th grade student.

Poster Contest Award

This contest will benefit your program and make languages more visible in your district, especially if you display all of the posters during Open House. The theme statement must be prominently displayed on the poster, and no copyrighted images may be used. Only black and white posters which are original work of the student of a current NYSAFLT member will be considered.

Contact: Lynne Lenhart
Ticonderoga High School
344 Amherst Avenue
Ticonderoga, NY 12883

Gertrude Rossin Cultural Incentive Grant

This grant provides monies annually to support school projects and teacher efforts which are cultural in nature. Provides means to support school projects and teachers efforts related to the improvement and/or expansion of instructional extracurricular programs.

Annual Meeting Scholarship

Five grants each covering conference registration, fees and room and board (double occupancy) will be awarded to second language teachers at any grade level from elementary to post-secondary.

Contact: Robert Ludwig, NYSAFLT

1102 Ardsley Road

Schenectady, NY 12308

www.nysaflt.org

E-mail: nysaflt@aol.com

For further information, contact Lucrezia Lindia, e-mail: LGLINDIA@hotmail.com

Order Sons of Italy

Order Sons of Italy in America/New York Grand Lodge Foundation, Inc.

Undergraduate and graduate awards are presented to high school or college students who will begin full-time study for the Fall academic term of the year of their application. Scholarship is based on academic excellence and service.

Applicant must be a resident of New York State with an average of 85 or higher.

Contact: OSIA

2101 Bellmore Avenue

Bellmore, NY 11710

800-322-OSIA FAX 516-221-OSIA

Antonio Meucci Lodge, Order Sons of Italy in America Scholarships

Three scholarships to a graduating senior from White Plains High School; and Archbishop Stephanic High School; and a son, daughter, or grandchild of a Lodge member, who is graduating high school.

Contact: Meucci Lodge Scholarship Committee Chairperson, Sandy Farduchi, 914-948-2307, 914-761-9073

Order Sons of Italy Foundation

Ten to 12 National Leadership Grants of \$4,000 to \$10,000, awarded competitively to students of at least partial Italian ancestry who are either college-bound high school seniors or full-time undergraduate or graduate students enrolled in accredited institutions of higher education who have demonstrated a commitment to academic excellence and a potential for leadership to their fields of study. Applications and additional information are available.

Order Sons of Italy in America, Attn: Grants

219 E Street, NE

Washington, DC, 20002

The Order Sons of Italy (OSIA) - National Leadership Grant Competition (NLGC)

OSIA, through the Sons of Italy Foundation (SIF), awards numerous merit-based scholarships annually in the NLGC.

www.osia.org

Henry Salvatori Scholarship

Established by the late renowned philanthropist for whom it is named, the Henry Salvatori Scholarship is a \$5,000 grant awarded to a college-bound high school senior who has demonstrated exceptional leadership, distinguished scholarship, and a deep understanding and respect for the principles for which our nation was founded — liberty, freedom, and equality. High school seniors only are eligible for the Henry Salvatori Scholarship.

Sons of Italy Foundation/George L. Graziadio Perpetual Scholarship

For students at the George L. Graziadio School of Business and Management at Pepperdine University, CA, please contact the National Office for more details, (202) 547-2900 or send an email to: scacciato@osia.org. Contact: the George L. Graziadio School of Business and Management via website at: <http://www.bschool.pepperdine.edu>

Pietro Secchia Scholarship

Undergraduate students entering at least their second year of college are eligible for the Pietro Secchia Scholarship for study abroad at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy. For more information and an application for the Secchia Scholarship, contact Administrative Assistant, Syliva Cacciato at scacciato@osia.org or call (202) 547-2900. You can also view the John Cabot University Web site at : www.johncabot.edu.

Sons of Italy Foundation/John Cabot University Scholarship

Undergraduate students entering at least their second year of college are eligible for the JCU/SIF Scholarship for study at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy. For more information and an application to JCU, contact Administrative Assistant Sylvia Cacciato at the National Office scacciato@osia.org or (202) 547-2900. You can also view the John Cabot University Web site at: www.johncabot.edu.

Please email all application requests to Sylvia Cacciato at scacciato@osia.org. The Sons of Italy Foundation/National Leadership Grant Competition
219 E St., NE
Washington, D.C. 20002
202-547-5106
www.osia.org

Order Sons Of Italy - New York State Grand Lodge

The eight state districts will award scholarships, ranging from \$500 to \$2000.

Contact: Scholarship Committee
New York Grand Lodge Foundation, Inc.
2101 Bellmore Ave.
Bellmore, NY 11710
516-785-4623 or

Giuseppe Garibaldi Lodge
Order Sons of Italy
President
8 Waterside Close
Eastchester, NY 10709

Father John Papallo Lodge #2684, Order Sons Of Italy In America, Scholarships

Each of the scholarships and awards is in the amount of five hundred dollars.

Lodge Scholarships

Two Lodge Scholarships are awarded to successful candidates with emphasis on academic achievement. One of the eligible winners must be a student from Kings Park High School. Any child or grandchild of a member in good standing of the Father John Papallo Lodge #2684 may apply. The sponsor's membership must be current for at least one year prior to the application.

Florence M. Papallo Memorial Grant

This award from the Papallo family in memory of Florence Papallo, the mother of Father John Papallo, is granted to a worthy student who may not have achieved high academic success but who has demonstrated a strong motivation to achieve to his or her capacity. He or she also must show a commitment to community service.

Vito Martinico Century 21/Vipen Award

This award from the Lodge and Century 21 Vipen is given to an Italian American student graduating from Kings Park High School. Community Service, motivation to achieve and a commitment to promoting his or her Italian-America Heritage will be considered.

Vincent J. Pellicane Sr. Memorial Art Scholarship Awards

Two awards will be granted to Kings Park High School seniors who are members of the National Art Honor Society. The awards, given in memory of Vincent J. Pellicane Sr., by his family, will go to two seniors with the highest grade point averages in the National Art Honor Society. Lodge membership or Italian-American heritage is not a requirement for this award.

Petronella Antonelli Memorial Award

This award was established by Zachary Fabrizi and his family in memory of his grandmother, Petronella Antonelli, who emigrated to America from Italy in 1890. The recipient must be of Italian Heritage and committed to fostering positive images of the Italian American culture.

In addition to academic achievement, these awards are based upon the letters of recommendation and the student essay as indications of the commitment of the candidates to community service and their Italian-American Heritage. One Lodge Scholarship winner and the Century 21/Vipen award winner must be graduating from Kings Park High School. Membership in the Father John Papallo Lodge is required only for the recipients of the two Lodge Scholarships.

Ralph J. Sansone Memorial Scholarship

Contact: Executive Director
Ralph J. Sansone Foundation, Inc.
5816 13th Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11239
718-436-6581; 718-851-0739

The Salerno Club Scholarship

The Salerno Club of the State of New York
Contact: Joseph Camoratta
914-237-5541
www.salernoclubofny.org

UNICO Foundation

Four \$1,000 college scholarships to high school seniors of Italian ancestry living in corporate limits or in the adjoining suburbs of a city wherein an active Chapter of UNICO National is located.
Applications and additional information are available.
UNICO Foundation
72 Burroughs Place
Bloomfield, NJ, 07003
www.unicoat.com

Individual/School Scholarships

University of Arizona

Il Cenacolo Scholarship Award

Administered by NIAF, for students in the natural sciences, except medicine.

Contact: Serena Cantoni, Director of Scholarships and Grants

202-939-3111 X130

e-mail: serena@niaf.com or

Rich Santoro, Assistant Director, rich@niaf.com

California Institute of Technology

Il Cenacolo Scholarship Award

Administered by NIAF, for students in the natural sciences, except medicine.

Contact: Serena Cantoni, Director of Scholarships and Grants

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Rich Santoro, Assistant Director, rich@niaf.com

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Il Cenacolo Scholarship Award

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Rich Santoro, Assistant Director, rich@niaf.com

Pepperdine University

George L. Graziado Fellowships for Business

Open to undergraduate American students of Italian ancestry studying at the George L. Graziado School of Business and Management at Pepperdine University, California. Two awards given. Academic merit, financial need, and community service are considered. See listing under NIAF for contact information.

Seton Hall School of Law

Columbian Foundation Scholarship

The Columbian Foundation, a non-profit organization founded in 1941 by business and professional men of Italian descent, award two scholarships annually to entering students of Italian descent.

Luigi Franzese Memorial Scholarship

The scholarship is awarded to a member of the first year class who is of Italian American descent. The student must have demonstrated financial need, academic excellence and service to the community.

Contact: Seton Hall University School of Law
One Newark Center
Newark, New Jersey 07102-5210
Phone: (973) 642-8850/8744/8733
FAX: (973) 642-8956
E-Mail: law_financial@shu.edu

St. John Fisher College

Foreign Language Scholarships

Each year St. John Fisher College offers two Foreign Language Scholarships to high school seniors. These scholarships recognize achievement in foreign language as a sound preparation for college work. Available to all high school seniors with proficiency in Italian, Spanish, French or German, and a minimum 1000 SAT or 21 ACT composite score.

Contact: Liz Lachance, Admissions Office
585-385-8064 or 800-444-4640

St. John's University

St. John's University Business Scholarship

The Ellen T. Reilly Scholarship Fund will provide annual partial scholarship to first or second-generation immigrant women in the graduate division of the Tobin College of Business, who are majoring in business or finance.

Contact: St. John's Office of Development
8000 Utopia Parkway
Jamaica, NY 11439
Call: Tracy Bosse at 718-990-2426

Westchester Community College

Westchester Community College Scholarships

Scholarships are given every year to students who study Italian at Westchester Community College and to high school students who plan to continue their studies in Italian at Westchester Community College.

Contact: Prof. Sclafani 914-785-6790.

Harvard University

The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies Fellowships and Grants

I Tatti Fellowships

See Study Abroad section for more detailed information.

Mellon Research Fellowships

See Study Abroad section for more detailed information.

New York University

Tiro a Segno Foundation Visiting Faculty Fellowship in Italian-American Culture

New York University recently announced that its Department of Italian Studies has received a \$500,000 gift from Tiro a Segno Foundation to establish a visiting faculty fellowship in Italian-American culture. The gift was given to the University by the Tiro a Segno Foundation, which is a 112-year-old organization dedicated to the preservation and celebration of Italian heritage in the United States.

The Tiro a Segno Foundation Visiting Faculty Fellowship in Italian-American Culture was officially announced at Tiro a Segno's 112th Anniversary Banquet and Ball.

The responsibilities of the Tiro a Segno Visiting Faculty Fellow will include teaching undergraduate courses on the experience and contributions of Italian-American immigrants and their progeny in the United States. In addition, the visiting faculty fellow will present public lectures in cooperation with NYU's Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò. The Tiro a Segno Visiting Faculty Fellowship is intended to be multidisciplinary in its scope. The fellows will be selected from a broad array of disciplines and it is anticipated that they will collaborate with a variety of different scholars during their time at NYU.

Tiro a Segno was established in New York City on August 14, 1888. Among its founders was Giuseppe Garibaldi. Since 1924, Tiro a Segno has been located at 77 MacDougal Street. Consisting of some 400 members, the organization is dedicated to the preservation of Italian heritage and culture in the United States. During the year, Tiro a Segno offers a regular schedule of social, cultural and sporting events.

www.nyu.edu/gsas/dept/italian/tiro_a_segno.htm

Beretta-Armi Fellowships

The Department of Italian Studies and Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò at New York University announce up to Three Fellowships offered by Beretta-Armi (Gardone Val Trompia, Brescia, Italy) to graduate students or post-doctoral scholars with a particular interest in the Middle Ages and natural philosophy (interdisciplinary approaches welcome).

The fellowships are intended to promote studies and research on the *Treatise on Falconry*, written by Emperor Frederick II, The book of Falcon (*De arte venandi cum avibus*), and on the the related field of natural philosophy, animality, and the debate on such topics at the Sicilian court of Frederick II. The three fellowships of \$ 3000 each will be given to those students and scholars residing inside or outside the Tri-state area who have written the best paper on Hunting and nature. Award recipients will present their papers at a Conference that will be held at Casa Italiana at New York University.

Department of Italian Studies - Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò
24 West 12th Street
New York, NY 10011-8604
fax: (212) 995-4012; email: casa.italiana@nyu.edu
www.nyu.edu/pages/casaitaliana

The Zerilli-Marimò Prize for Italian Fiction

The Zerilli-Marimò Prize for Italian Fiction is awarded annually to a new Italian work of fiction deemed especially worthy of the attention of readers in North America and the English-speaking world. Funded by Baroness Mariuccia Zerilli-Marimò and first awarded in 1998, the prize consists of a grant of \$3,000 to the author of the winning work and a contribution of \$10,000 toward its publication in the United States. Steerforth Press, a prestigious publisher located in Vermont, has agreed to publish the winning novels as part of their elegant Steerforth Italia series. The Bellonci Foundation of Rome—responsible for Italy's prestigious Premio Strega—and New York University jointly organize the competition.

How it works: The initial slate of candidates emerges in the spring, when the Bellonci Foundation invites 10 to 12 Italian publishing houses to nominate one work each for the competition. Eligibility is limited to books published between the beginning of the preceding year and April 30 of the current year. Voting is a two-round process. A first vote in September reduces the dozen nominees to four finalists, and a second vote in October produces the winner. NYU's Department of Italian Studies conducts both the vote and the award ceremony, which is held at the Casa Italiana in mid-November. The Department also selects the jury—a body of up to 95 members who must be fluent speakers of Italian but non-European in nationality. A majority are university students and professors. The rest are journalists, editors, translators, librarians, scholars, and other cultural figures. Most live in the United States, but a significant number of past jurors have been from Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Kenya.

Why it is different: Because the Zerilli-Marimò prize is awarded to a book written in Italian and published in Italy but chosen by a foreign jury, it is unique among literary prizes. The manner of its selection has a double objective. First, it helps to promote Italian fiction abroad by attracting the attention of American publishers to works praised by American readers. Second, it brings Italian authors and publishers into direct and continuing contact with a vibrant, international audience, prompting a deeper understanding of the trends of global culture.

Other sponsors: The Italian Cultural Institute in New York and the Casa delle Letterature of the City of Rome also cooperate in sponsoring and organizing the Prize. Additional support by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs permits prize finalists to attend the New York award ceremony, and take part in a tour of some American universities with an interest in the competition.

Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò
24 West 12th Street
New York, NY 10011-8604
Telephone: (212) 998-8730 Fax: (212) 995-4012
www.nyu.edu/pages/casaitaliana

State-based Scholarships

Arizona-based Scholarships

Istituto Italiano di Cultura

Scholarship to study Italian in Italy consists only of free tuition for a four-week or two-week course of Italian Language. All travel and other expenses are not included. Student or teacher must reside or attend school in the Istituto's jurisdiction (Arizona).

Contact: Italian Cultural Institute

1023 Hilgard Avenue

Westwood Village, CA

310-443-3250

FAX 310-443-3254

California-based Scholarships

Minnie Caputo Scholarships

The IAHF and Minnie Caputo Scholarships encourage and assist young people in the pursuit of better educational opportunities. Our essay contests for high school students promote a greater understanding and appreciation of the positive contributions of Italian Americans.

Contact: Italian American Heritage Foundation

425 North Fourth Street

San Jose, CA 95112

Phone: (408) 293-7122 - Fax: (408) 293-7154

Italian American Lawyers Association

The scholarships will be awarded on academic achievement, potential contribution to the Italian-American Community with some consideration to financial need. The selection will be made based upon the quality of applicants received each year.

Contact: J. Sheldon Capeloto, Esq.

201 South Lake Avenue, Suite 606

Pasadena, California 91101

Istituto Italiano di Cultura

Scholarship to study Italian in Italy consists only of free tuition for a four-week or two-week course of Italian Language. All travel and other expenses are not included. Student or teacher must reside or attend school in the Istituto's jurisdiction (Southern California).

Contact: Italian Cultural Institute

1023 Hilgard Avenue

Westwood Village, CA

310-443-3250

FAX 310-443-3254

Illinois-based Scholarships

Arcolian Dental Arts Society

One \$500 scholarship is awarded to a dental student of Italian heritage.

There is no application for this award. Dental students must submit a typed narrative telling why you are applying for this award and list your qualifications, etc. There is no limit as to the length of the narrative.

Contact: Dr. Randy Scarpiniti

Lombard Dental Arts

719 S. Main Street, Suite A

Lombard, Illinois, 60148

630-916-9156

Chicagoland Italian American Charitable Organization

Ten to fifteen \$1,500 scholarships awarded to high school seniors based on academic achievement and need. Applications are available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

Gerald Saviano

198 Wood Dale Road

Wood Dale, Illinois, 60191

or

Frank Guidice

1015 S. Route 83

Elmhurst, Illinois, 60126

For more information, call Nick Schiavone at 630-307-7202.

Columbian Club Charitable Foundation

Fifteen scholarships of \$1,000 awarded to high school seniors and undergraduate and graduate students of Italian descent in the fields of education, business, medical/dental, law, accounting, banking and sales. Scholarship money is drawn from the Novelle Law, Christine Ciaccio, Catherine and Joseph Lucchese, Dr. Fedele Morelli Medical, Rose and Phillip Corrado, Sr., Morrizzo Family, Victor A. Arrigo, Anthony Campise, Gildo Mazzolin, Turano Family Business and Columbian Club Scholarship funds. Applications and additional information are available by calling Dr. Samuel J. Cascio at 847-304-0051 or Maria at Ron Turano's office at 708-788-9220, ext. 344.

FIERI-Chicago

One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a student of Italian ancestry from high school through junior year of college. Applications and additional information by visiting website:

www.fieri-chicago.org

FIERI-Chicago, Scholarship Committee

3800 Division Street

Stone Park, Illinois, 60165

Fra Angelico Art Foundation

Three \$1,000 scholarships awarded to college art students interested in spiritual art within the Judeo Christian tradition, regardless of ethnic background. Application and additional information are available by sending resume and portfolio.

Contact: Fra Angelico Art Foundation
7200 W. Division Street
River Forest, Illinois, 60305
Or call: Rev. Vincent Zarlenga at 708-771-0740

Italian American Chamber of Commerce

One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a male or female student of Italian ancestry graduating from high school or in his/her last year of college. Applications and additional information are available by writing to:

Italian American Chamber of Commerce
30 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois, 60603 or by calling 312-553-9137.

Italian American Executives of Transportation

Multiple scholarships of \$1,000 awarded to high school seniors, male or female, of Italian ancestry. Academic achievement and financial need are the criteria. Applications and additional information are available.

Contact: Jim Glimco, Italian American Executives of Transportation
3438 Grand Boulevard
Brookfield, Illinois, 60513

Italian Catholic Federation (ICF)

Several \$400 scholarships awarded to high school students who live in the Archdiocese of Chicago, who are of Italian heritage and Catholic faith (or are children of non-Italian ICF members); and who meet academic, financial need and character requirements. Grants may be renewed for second, third and fourth terms. Applications and additional information for residents of the archdiocese are available.

Contact: George Nicoletti
9010 W. 22nd Place
North Riverside, Illinois, 60546

Italian Cultural Center

Four Josephine LiPuma Vocal Scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 awarded to two first place winners (male and female) and a second and third place winner. Contestants must be of Italian ancestry, between the ages of 17 and 25 and be of non-professional status. Contestants must also be students of qualified teachers or institutions.

Contact: Leonora LiPuma
Italian Cultural Center
1621 North 39th Avenue
Stone Park, Illinois, 60165
Or call: 708-345-3842

Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans (JCCIA)

Two \$1,000 John Fischetti Scholarships given to males or females of Italian ancestry who are either high school seniors or college students accepted into an undergraduate or graduate journalism or media communications program. Applications and additional information are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

JCCIA

500 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 536
Chicago, Illinois, 60611

Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans Women's Division

Three or four \$1,500 scholarships given to females of Italian ancestry who are graduating high school seniors with a B+ average or higher. Applications and additional information are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

JCCIA

500 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 536
Chicago, Illinois, 60611

Justinian Society of Lawyers DuPage Chapter

Two \$1,500 Marianne D. Yocobellis Scholarships awarded to students of Italian-American ancestry attending law school, who have completed at least one semester. Applications and additional information is available by writing to:

Marsha H. Cellucci
1155 S. Washington
Naperville, IL 60540

Justinian Society of Lawyers

Ten to 20 scholarships of \$1,000 to \$5,000 awarded to students of Italian-American ancestry presently attending any law school in the State of Illinois. Applications are available only through the Justinian website and are not available through the Justinian Society. Special consideration is given when application shows need or financial hardship. Contact: Richard B. Califano, Attorney at Law

20 N. Clark St., Ste. 725
Chicago, IL 60602
www.justinians.org

Mola Foundation of Chicago

Ten \$1,000 scholarships awarded to undergraduate students. For more information, call the Mola Foundation of Chicago at 847-604-8440.

Order of Sons of Italy in America, Grand Lodge of Illinois

Several \$500 scholarships awarded to male or female students of full or partial Italian ancestry graduating from high school. Financial need, scholastic record, activities showing character and leadership are criteria. Personal statements and faculty recommendations are required.

Illinois Sons of Italy Foundation
7222 West Cermak Road, Suite 220
North Riverside, Illinois, 60546

Ohio-based Scholarships

Italian American Cultural Foundation

Contact: Victoria Mandato Thomas at 216-663-1337

Italian American Brotherhood Club

653 Broadway Ave. #218
Bedford, OH 44146
440-786-1273

Italian Scholarship League

P.O. Box 5074
Poland, OH 44514
330-757-3393

Michigan-based Scholarships

Norman R. Peterson Scholarship

Business/finance/economics for undergraduate American students from the mid-west (Michigan-based) of Italian ancestry for study at John Cabot University in Rome. See NIAF listing for further information.

Nevada-based Scholarships

The Augustus Society College Scholarships

The Augustus Society is a non-profit organization of Las Vegas professional and laymen and women of Italian-American heritage. Its' mission is to provide college scholarships to needy Italian-American students in Clark County with academic abilities; assist Italian-American families or individuals with personal hardships, and continuously promote a positive image of Italian-Americans. Formed in 1983, the society has awarded approximately 300 scholarships, totaling over \$500,000 in funds awarded. In 1995 alone, 30 scholarships worth \$1,500 each were awarded to qualified applicants. The Augustus Society will assist needy senior citizens and other deserving individuals who can benefit from support in various forms.

The Augustus Society
Italian-American Professional & Executive Association
P.O. Box 28255
Las Vegas, N.V. 89126
<http://www.augustus.org/>

Kathleen Huddleson
Augustus Society
P.O. Box 43084
Las Vegas, NV 89116
702-385-5443

Istituto Italiano di Cultura

Scholarship to study Italian in Italy consists only of free tuition for a four-week or two-week course of Italian Language. All travel and other expenses are not included. Student or teacher must reside or attend school in the Istituto's jurisdiction (Nevada).

Contact: Italian Cultural Institute

1023 Hilgard Avenue
Westwood Village, CA
310-443-3250
FAX 310-443-3254

New Mexico-based Scholarships

Istituto Italiano di Cultura

Scholarship to study Italian in Italy consists only of free tuition for a four-week or two-week course of Italian Language. All travel and other expenses are not included. Student or teacher must reside or attend school in the Istituto's jurisdiction (New Mexico).

Contact: Italian Cultural Institute

1023 Hilgard Avenue
Westwood Village, CA
310-443-3250
FAX 310-443-3254

Washington, DC-based Scholarships

The Lido Civic Club

A Washington, DC organization of professional and business men of Italian ancestry, awards up to \$7,000 in scholarships.

Contact:

Loreto J. Clavelli, Chairman - Scholarship Committee
Box 1219
Rockville, MD 20849
301-251-0768

Exchange/Study Abroad Programs

John D. Calandra Italian American Institute CUNY/ITALY Exchange Program

The CUNY/ITALY Exchange Program is a student exchange between The City University of New York/CUNY and selected Italian Universities. The program is designed for highly motivated undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in CUNY who are interested in pursuing course work and/or research in all areas of study such as international business, economics, law, political science, anthropology, archaeology, engineering, history, literature, and sociology.

This unique program aims to provide CUNY students with a focused core of knowledge and skills in their discipline while enabling them to experience life in another culture. Students gain a global perspective that helps them to achieve career goals in an increasingly politically and economically interdependent world. Participating Italian universities are: University of Catania, University of Pavia, University of Siena, and University of Trento.

The program is open to students who are in good academic standing at their home campus, with a minimum of a 2.75 GPA. Applicants must submit a statement of purpose, two letters of recommendation from a faculty member or academic advisor, an official transcript, and must have at least three semesters of Italian or the equivalent. This exchange requires of students a certain level of maturity, independence, seriousness of purpose, and an ability to adapt to new environmental and academic conditions.

Students will be required to register and pay CUNY full time tuition to the Bursar at their home campus at least one month prior to departure. Upon completion of registration, students must bring a copy of the approved CUNY permit form and the bursar receipt or a letter from that office stating the tuition will be covered by Financial Aid to the coordinator of the exchange program.

The Italian University will provide students with shared rooms at the university residences. Although some of the residences have shared kitchen facilities on each floor, students usually prefer to eat at the University cafeteria (Mensa) with classmates and friends. Students will pay a housing fee directly to the host university one month prior to departure. The housing fee will vary for each university.

For additional information please contact: Joan Migliori, Assistant Director,
CUNY/ITALY Exchange Program
25 West 43rd Street - Suite 1800
New York, NY 10036
Tel: (212) 642-2094
Fax: (212) 642-2030
e-mail: joanmigliori@aol.com

The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies Fellowships and Grants

I Tatti Fellowships

In 1961, Harvard opened a post-doctoral institute at Villa I Tatti, dedicated to scholarship and the exchange of ideas in a variety of disciplines within Italian Renaissance studies, including history, literature, music, philosophy, science, and theology, as well as the fine arts. Villa I Tatti, in Florence, Italy, offers up to fifteen fellowships each academic year. These fellowships are available for post-doctoral scholars doing advanced research in any aspect of the Italian Renaissance and are normally reserved for scholars in the early stages of their career. Candidates of any nationality are eligible (see below for additional fellowships available to East-Central Europeans). Each Fellow is offered a place to study, use of the Biblioteca and Fototeca Berenson, lunches on weekdays, various other privileges of membership in the I Tatti community, and an opportunity to meet scholars from various countries working in related fields.

Fellows are selected by an international committee of distinguished senior scholars in Italian Renaissance studies representing such fields as literature, history, fine arts, music, philosophy, and the history of ideas. The committee usually makes its selections in late January, and applicants are informed of its decisions immediately thereafter.

The selection committee looks for demonstrable scholarly excellence and promise, requires a project of intellectual importance which is suitable to the resources of I Tatti and Florence, and endeavors to assess the candidate's ability to contribute to collegiality and the intellectual life of the other Fellows. Fellows are required to devote full time to their projects and may not have other obligations such as teaching during their fellowship year. Projects do not have to be devoted to Florentine subjects, and often are not; yet it must be possible for the greater part of the project to be accomplished in Florence.

As one of I Tatti's goals is to establish an intellectual community in which a fruitful interchange of ideas can take place, Fellows are expected to spend a minimum of two days a week at the Villa and, with rare exceptions, to be in residence for a full academic year. Ordinarily, preference is given to scholars embarking on a new research project rather than to those wishing to pursue the subject of their dissertations and to applicants who have not previously enjoyed the advantages of prolonged residence in Florence. Because the committee wishes to make fellowship opportunities available to as many scholars as possible, renewals, though possible, are rarely granted.

Fellowships can be either non-stipendiary, for scholars with support from other sources, or stipendiary, in which case stipends will be given according to individual need and the availability of funds. The maximum grant will be no higher than \$40,000; most grants will be considerably less. Candidates may not be working for a degree but must have a doctorate or its equivalent *before* applying. Although the committee prefers that Italian candidates have a *dottorato di ricerca*, in some cases it may consider the *laurea* to be sufficient.

Applications from candidates are due on October 15 for the following year's fellowships.

Professor Walter Kaiser, Director

Villa I Tatti

Via di Vincigliata 26

50135 Florence

Italy

Tel: +39 055 603 251 / 608 909

Villa I Tatti

Harvard University

124 Mt. Auburn Street

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Tel: +1 617 495 8042

Mellon Research Fellowships

The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies will offer two or three Mellon Research Fellowships at I Tatti in Florence, Italy. These fellowships are available for Czech, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, Bulgarian, and Romanian scholars with a Ph.D. or its equivalent who are doing advanced research in any aspect of the Italian Renaissance such as literature, history, fine arts, music, philosophy, and the history of ideas. The Mellon Fellowships at I Tatti are for three months and are reserved for scholars in the early stages of their career. Funds for these Fellowships have been given by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to the Council of American Overseas Research Centers, which will administrate this program intended to bring East-Central European scholars of the humanities into a broader research community.

Mellon Research Fellows will be given a stipend of no more than \$11,500 to cover travel, food, lodging, research, and other incidental expenses. In addition, they will be offered a place to study, use of the Biblioteca and Fototeca Berenson, lunches on weekdays, and other privileges of membership in the I Tatti community, as well as an opportunity to meet scholars from various countries working in related fields.

Candidates, who will be considered on the basis of their scholarly excellence and promise, must have a project of intellectual importance, which is suitable to the resources of I Tatti and Florence, and they must endeavor to contribute to collegiality and the intellectual life of the other Fellows. Fellows are required to devote full time to their projects and may not have other obligations, such as teaching, during the period of their Mellon Fellowship.

Projects do not have to be devoted to Florentine subjects, and often are not; yet it must be possible for the greater part of the project to be accomplished in Florence. Since one of I Tatti's goals is to establish an intellectual

community in which a fruitful interchange of ideas can take place, Fellows are expected to be present most of the time. Preference is given to scholars embarking on a new research project, rather than to those wishing to pursue the subject of their dissertations, and to applicants who have not previously enjoyed the advantages of prolonged residence in Florence. In order to make fellowship opportunities available to as many scholars as possible renewals are rarely granted. Applications from candidates are due on October 15.

NIAF Italian Language Exchange Program

The NIAF, based in Washington, DC, is an advocacy group committed to preserving and protecting Italian American heritage and culture. One of their primary goals is to help young Italian Americans with their education and careers. The NIAF Youth Institute has many grants and scholarships based on various criteria. The Institute also offers mentoring, newsletters, internships, and retreats, and is an excellent resource for students of Italian American heritage who want to further their educational, social, and career development.

Five Separate Itineraries

College-age students studying Italian now have the chance to visit Italy and experience first-hand the incredible culture that, up until now they may have only read about in textbooks or seen on television. NIAF has announced their sponsorship of the Gift of Discovery, a language and culture-exchange program.

Ten-Day All-Expenses-Paid Trip

200 Italian American university students between the ages of 18 and 23 and 100 Italian students will participate. Trip itineraries will include educational lectures, meetings with government officials and business leaders, and visits to government offices, international businesses, museums and other cultural attractions.

The NIAF's stated purpose for the program is to:

“Strengthen Italian American identity by bonding them to the country, culture, and heritage of Italy; to help them gain an understanding of their heritage and a pride in preserving that heritage for the next generation; and to understand the historical significance of Italy and the current contribution Italy is making to the United States and the world.”

The all-expenses-paid trip includes round-trip transportation from New York (JFK) to Italy, chaperoned supervision, room and board, tours, and visits to points of interest in Northern or Southern Italy. Students in Italy studying English will also enjoy similar benefits here in the U.S.

For application information and participant guidelines see the Gift of Discovery Web site **www.niaf.org** or email **serena@niaf.org**.

The National Italian American Foundation

666 11th Street

Washington, D.C. 20001

202-387-0600

American Association of Teachers of Italian (AATI) and the Italian Cultural Institute

A travel/study grant for a teacher of Italian. Grant consists of tuition, lodging (for a month in Italy), round-trip airfare, and spending stipend.

Contact: Ms. Rosa Riccio Pietanza

2041 61st Street

Brooklyn, NY 11204

718-256-3223

Association of Italian American Educators/State of New York

Ten scholarships awarded to outstanding students from any major field of study for a four-week course of study in Italy. Scholarship includes tuition, room and board (but not airfare or spending stipend). Applicants must be juniors, seniors or graduate students with at least a 3.5 GPA.

Contact: Prof. Luigi Bonaffini

259 Garfield Place – 3R

Brooklyn, NY 11215

Gruppo Ristoratori Italiani, Inc.

This scholarship is meant as an incentive for students to gain a didactic and practical experience in Italy, while also giving them the opportunity to familiarize themselves with Italian food and wine products. This program takes place in Piedmont.

Contact: Tony May Group

240 Central Park South

New York, NY 10019

212-459-9016

FAX: 212-397-0844

Norman R. Peterson Scholarship

Business/finance/economics for undergraduate American students from the mid-west (Michigan-based) of Italian ancestry for study at John Cabot University in Rome. See NIAF listing for further information.

Pietro Secchia Scholarship

Undergraduate students entering at least their second year of college are eligible for the Pietro Secchia Scholarship for study abroad at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy. For more information and an application for the Secchia Scholarship, see OSIA listing.

Sons of Italy Foundation/John Cabot University Scholarship

Undergraduate students entering at least their second year of college are eligible for the JCU/SIF Scholarship for study at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy. For more information and an application to JCU, refer to OSIA listing.

Scholarships and Grants to American citizens who are studying in Italy

All scholarships and grants offered by the Italian Government to American citizens who wish to study in Italy are administered by the following institutions:

For Master Graduates:

The Institute of International Education
809 United Nations Plaza
New York, N.Y.10017
(212) 883-8200

For Ph. D. Graduates:

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars
3007 Tilden Street N.W., Suite 5M
Washington, D.C. 20008-3009
(202) 686-4000 Fax: (202) 362-3442.

The Italian Cultural Institute in New York offers a limited number of scholarships to those students who wish to study the Italian language and culture in Italy. These scholarships cover either one month or two weeks of tuition costs for language and culture courses; they are offered throughout the year, including the summer months. The scholarships are provided, through the services of the Italian Cultural Institute, by various private and public institutions, including schools which specialize in teaching Italian to foreigners.

These scholarships do not include travel and/or accommodation expenses. The Italian Cultural Institute is not responsible for travel and accommodation arrangements. These must be made directly with the offering Italian institution.

The Italian Cultural Institute
686 Park Avenue
New York, NY
Tel: 001212-8794242/4390118
Fax: 8614018
E-mail: segr@italcultny.org
Home page: www.italcultny.org

The **University for Foreigners in Perugia** and the **University for Foreigners in Siena** offer some scholarships only to those students majoring in Italian, who are affiliated with U.S. academic or scholastic institutions.

The University for Foreigners of Perugia offers scholarships to students attending the following courses:

- Teachers of Italian abroad
- Contemporary Italian Language
- Art History
- Etruscan Studies

Applications should be sent to the Italian Cultural Institute. For more information, visit:

www.unistrapg.it

e-mail: welcome@unistrapg.it

The University of Siena for Foreigners, with its long-standing experience in the fields of linguistics and language training, also provides activities for Italian and foreign teachers of Italian as a foreign language. In Siena and abroad, the University offers training, refresher courses and advanced courses for Italian language teachers. These programmes are constantly updated and revised in order to define the developments and trends in linguistic research and language teaching.

Applications should be sent to the Italian Cultural Institute. For more information, visit:

www.unistrasi.it

e-mail: info@unistrasi.it

All the above scholarships are awarded strictly on a merit basis. If you wish to apply for one of these, you should mail a written request to the Italian Cultural Institute, as soon as possible. A resume and/or a curriculum vitae and two letters of recommendation from either professors or academic authorities should be enclosed.

Other scholarships for courses in Italian language and culture. List of the hosting institutions in Italy.

Tuscany

Contact: Giovanni Poggi
scuola.leonardo@agora.stm.it
puccini@ats.it

Firenze

Contact: Dott. Domenico Cancellieri
michelangelo@dada.it

Contact: Dott.ssa Vittoria Florio
istituto.parola@agora.stm.it

Contact: Dott. Stefano Burbi
istituto.italiano@flashnet.it

Pienza (Siena)

Contact: dott. Claudio Serafini
serafini@bccmp.com

Contact: Prof. Rinaldo Romagnoli
istituto.europeo@fi.flashnet.it

Marche

Contact: Dott. Carmelo A. Manetta
centroleopardi@wnt.it
Contact: Dott.ssa Stefania Belli
language@icom.it

Assisi

Contact: Prof. Angelo Chiuchiù
alia@krenet.it

Calabria

Contact: Antonio Lamantea
caffetaliano@tin.it

Emilia/Toscana

Contact: Prof. Massimo Maracci
Via Castiglione, 4 – 40124 Bologna
Tel. 051228003 (8:30-17:30) Fax
05122767

Additional Internet Resources

www.nycolleges.org	New York College Profiles
www.fafsa.ed.gov	Free Application for Federal Student Aid Online
www.collegeboard.com	Profile form used by some colleges to be considered for the college's own grants and scholarships
www.hesc.org	TAP application and New York State grants and scholarships: Tuition tax credit/deduction
www.finaid.org	Financial Aid estimations
www.qc.edu/calandra	Calandra Italian American Institute
www.rai.it	RAI-TV (Radio Televisione Italiana)
www.osia.org	Order Sons of Italy in America
www.italic.org	Italic Institute of America
www.italianhistorical.org	Italian Historical Society
www.ellisland.org	Ellis Island Museum
www.italyemb.nw.dc.us	Italian Embassy
www.italyemb.nw.dc.us/Italian%20Studies.htm	Italian Studies in American Colleges
www.italyemb.org/italybbs/	Italian Bulletin Board
www.italcultny.org	Italian Cultural Institute
www.thalessemia.org	Cooley's Anemia Foundation
www.uri.edu/prov/italian	Italian Americana
www.italianamericanonevoice.org/iaindex.htm	Italian American One Voice
www.2.h-net.msu-edu/~itam	Italian American Studies
www.italiantribune.com	Italian Tribune
www.expage.com/page/bellaitaliaamia	Bella Italia Mia

Information Update

The resources included in this booklet are based on information that the Calandra Institute received from various sources. We have attempted to verify that all the details are correct, but awards, requirements and contact persons may change over time. We would appreciate your assistance in updating and expanding these listings. If you are aware of any corrections or additions that should be made to the Italian American Scholarship Booklet, please return the attached form to:

Joseph Grosso
John D. Calandra Italian American Institute of Queens College
Career Counseling Center
25 West 43rd Street - Suite 1800
New York, NY 10036
212-642-2090

Award _____

Purpose _____

Contact _____

This information can also be sent by e-mail to: jxgqc@qc.edu

or FAX 212-642-2030 - Attention: Joseph Grosso

Career Counseling Center

The John D. Calandra Italian American Institute provides career counseling so that you can gain a better understanding of your values, needs, interests and abilities in relation to the world of work. Located in midtown Manhattan, the Center provides one-on-one career counseling to high school and CUNY college students, as well as adults considering enrollment in the CUNY system.

Counselors assist their clients with educational plans, choice of college major, and the exploration of long term career goals. The counseling process consists of a series of forty-five minute sessions which may include the administration and interpretation of career test batteries and unlimited use of the Career Resource Library. Services are free and available by appointment.

Interested individuals can contact:

Dr. Nancy Lippa Ziehler, Associate Director for Counseling
John D. Calandra Italian American Institute of Queens College
25 West 43rd Street
17th Floor
New York, NY 10036
212-642-2096