

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-17

I. Introduction

The Italian Government awards scholarships for studying in Italy both to foreign citizens and Italian citizens resident abroad (IRE). The aim of these scholarships is fostering international cultural cooperation, spreading the Italian language, culture and science knowledge and promoting the economic and technological sectors of Italy all around the world. The list of the countries whose citizens and IRE may apply, is on the *Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation* (MAECI) webpage http://www.esteri.it/mae/it/ministero/servizi/stranieri/opportunita/borsestudio_stranieri.html

A certain number of scholarships (named IRE scholarships) is available for Italian citizens resident abroad only for the following countries: *Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru, South Africa, Tunisia, Uruguay and Venezuela.*

Italian citizens, employed at offices of the Italian public administration, as well as their family even if temporarily residing abroad, **are not allowed to apply for IRE Scholarships.**

These Scholarships are offered only for study/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>

It is NOT allowed to apply for study/ research projects at:

- foreign institutions (such as universities, academies, libraries, schools of any kind) even if they operate in Italy;
- Centers or research laboratories not legally recognized by the competent State authority

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation also offers Scholarships to foreign students for so-called "Special Projects" (please check the dedicated section at the following address: http://www.esteri.it/mae/it/ministero/servizi/stranieri/opportunita/borsestudio_stranieri.html).

II. Scholarship duration and time frame

The scholarship duration can be **three, six, or nine months.**

Only for *Courses for teachers of Italian language* the scholarship duration is **one month.**

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

- Undergraduate University courses (Laurea Triennale - 1° ciclo e a ciclo unico).
RENEWALS ONLY
- Postgraduate University courses (Master of Science/Laurea Magistrale - 2° ciclo)

