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**COLLEGE  
SCHOLARSHIP  
HANDBOOK**

for  
**Italian American Students**  
and  
**Students of Italian Studies**



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This handbook is designed to provide, at a glance, the information necessary to determine whether a student is eligible for a particular scholarship. The scholarships included vary in dollar amount, as well as requirements for deadline, educational level, grade point average, and major area of study. Contact information is included for further reference. The handbook is organized in three sections:

**1. Scholarships for Italian American students** includes scholarships awarded to students of Italian descent.

**2. State-based scholarships** includes scholarships awarded to students based on residency or college location, as well as Italian descent.

**3. Scholarships for students of Italian studies** includes scholarships awarded to students studying various disciplines of Italian. Many of these scholarships are awarded by universities to their students; some require Italian descent while others do not.

Be sure to review all the listings to determine which scholarships you may be eligible for and continue your own research to locate other possibilities not included here.

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# Guidelines for the Scholarship Application Process

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**Be organized.** As you research scholarships, develop a way of organizing the information. Prioritize the awards by how well they fit your background, and mark the deadlines on a calendar so you will know which ones to tackle first.

**Make a list** of the materials required to apply for each scholarship. This will help you clearly see how many transcripts, essays, and letters of recommendation you will need. It is better to ask a teacher to write five recommendation letters at the same time than to ask the teacher on five separate occasions to write a single letter.

**Plan ahead.** Request scholarship applications and any necessary documentation, such as transcripts and recommendation letters, well in advance. Some organizations and people can respond to your request immediately, while others may take several weeks. Plan ahead and work with the given time frame in order to meet your target date.

**Schedule an appointment** with your high school guidance counselor or college financial aid advisor as soon as possible. The earlier you discuss your background and goals, the more your counselor or advisor can help you.

**Essay or personal statement.** Take time to prepare a thoughtful and accurate essay or personal statement. Customize your essay for each application. A generic essay written for all applications will not work well, but one well-composed core essay may be modified to meet the requirements of each application.

**Letters of recommendation.** In requesting recommendations, choose someone who knows you well and is willing to document your positive attributes in a personal letter. Examples of preferred references are: teachers, professors, guidance counselors, administrators, organization sponsors, employers, clergy, and community leaders. Provide your references with stamped envelopes addressed as specified on the application.

**Summary.** Your completed scholarship application tells the selection committee who you are. You will most likely not meet a scholarship committee in person, so it is crucial that your packet makes the best possible impression. In selecting scholarship recipients, the committee is investing the organization's or college's money. They will look for students they think will make the best use of the opportunity.

***Auguri!***

# Other Forms of Financial Aid

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## **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

- To qualify for financial aid, you must first fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). More information is available online at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

## **Loans based on financial need**

- Federal Perkins Loans: Awarded by participating colleges to students with the greatest financial need, this loan is interest-free while the student is enrolled in college at least half-time. To apply, all students must first fill out the FAFSA.
- Federal Direct Subsidized Stafford Loans: Eligibility is based on financial need as calculated from information provided on the FAFSA. The federal government pays the interest on the loan while the student is in college. Repayment begins six months after the student is no longer enrolled in college at least half-time.

## **Other educational loans**

- Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loans: Eligibility is not based on financial need. Interest on this loan begins to accrue immediately, but repayment is not required until six months after the student is no longer enrolled in college at least half-time.
- Federal Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS): Parents and stepparents may borrow the total tuition cost of college, minus financial aid received, each year for each undergraduate dependent child. Eligibility is not based on financial need. The financial aid office at your selected college can provide more information.

## **State loans**

- The U.S. Department of Education publishes a list of state loans available through higher-education agencies. These loans are not need-based or subsidized.

**More information can be found online at <http://studentaid.ed.gov/>**



# Scholarships

## Scholarships for Italian American Students

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Columbus Citizens Foundation

**Scholarship Name:** College Scholarship Program

**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Deadline:** February

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior planning to enroll at a four-year college

**GPA:** 3.0

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Does not apply

**Other Requirements:** Must demonstrate financial need. Essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation, and academic performance verification. Mandatory interview for eligible applicants.

**Contact:** [arecchia@columbuscitizens.org](mailto:arecchia@columbuscitizens.org)

**URL:** <https://www.columbuscitizensfd.org/scholarships/college.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian American National Hall of Fame

**Scholarship Name:** Italian American National Hall of Fame Scholarship

**Amount:** \$500–\$1,000

**Deadline:** March

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Academic record considered

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Does not apply

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, photo, and form completed by school principal

**Contact:** [ianhof3442@aol.com](mailto:ianhof3442@aol.com)

**URL:** <http://ianhof.org/scholarship-application/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Genealogical Group

**Scholarship Name:** Italian Genealogical Group Scholarship

**Amount:** \$500–\$2,000

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Does not apply

**Other Requirements:** Must have at least one Italian grandparent. Must have studied Italian language in high school. Essay, letter of recommendation from current IGG member, and original family genealogical research.

**Contact:** [questions@italianguen.org](mailto:questions@italianguen.org)

**URL:** <https://italianguen.org/scholarship/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** LIADO, The Italian American Women of Today  
**Scholarship Name:** LIADO, The Italian American Women of Today Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$500–\$2,000  
**Deadline:** March  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, graduate, or returning student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Must be enrolled in an accredited US academic institution. Essays, transcript, standardized test scores, and letter of recommendation.  
**Contact:** liadoscholarship@gmail.com  
**URL:** <http://www.liado.net/scholarships.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)  
**Scholarship Name:** NIAF Scholarship Program  
**Amount:** \$2,500–\$12,000 (40–50 scholarships awarded)  
**Deadline:** February  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, graduate, post-graduate, medical, or law student  
**GPA:** 3.5  
**Major:** Varies  
**Residence:** Varies  
**Other Requirements:** Must be a member or child of a member of NIAF. Must be a US citizen or permanent resident alien. Must be enrolled full-time in a US accredited institution of higher education for Fall semester. Transcript, resume, teacher letter of recommendation, and optional FAFSA form (for need based scholarships).  
**Contact:** [scholarships@niaf.org](mailto:scholarships@niaf.org)  
**URL:** <http://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships-overview/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW)  
**Scholarship Name:** NOIAW Scholarship (for women)  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** March  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate or graduate student  
**GPA:** 3.5  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Must demonstrate financial need. Essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation, curriculum vitae or resume, and \$25 application fee.  
**Contact:** [noiaw@noiaw.org](mailto:noiaw@noiaw.org)  
**URL:** <http://www.noiaw.org/scholarships/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America  
**Scholarship Name:** Various; see website for details  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** February  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, two letters of recommendation, resume, and \$35 application fee  
**Contact:** [scholarships@osia.org](mailto:scholarships@osia.org)  
**URL:** <https://www.osia.org/programs/scholarships/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** UNICO Foundation  
**Scholarship Name:** Various; see website for details  
**Amount:** \$1,500 per year for a maximum of four years  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, graduate, or medical student  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Must reside in home state of an active UNICO Chapter  
**Other Requirements:** Application must be obtained and submitted through a local UNICO chapter, the District Governor or UNICO National Office  
**Contact:** [uniconational@unico.org](mailto:uniconational@unico.org)  
**URL:** <http://www.unico.org/scholarships>

## State-based Scholarships

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### ARIZONA

**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Catholic Federation

**Scholarship Name:** First Year College Scholarship

**Amount:** \$400 (increases annually upon renewal)

**Deadline:** March

**Italian Descent Required:** See requirements below

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** 3.2

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Arizona, California, Illinois, Nevada. See alternate requirements below.

**Other Requirements:** Must be Roman Catholic and of Italian descent living where branches of ICF exist, or be the child or grandchild of an ICF member. Transcript, letter of recommendation, and personal letter.

**Contact:** [info@icf.org](mailto:info@icf.org)

**URL:** <https://www.icf.org/scholarships/>

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### CALIFORNIA

**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian American Heritage Foundation

**Scholarship Name:** General Scholarship and Scholarship for the Arts

**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes (or must be child or grandchild of IAHF member)

**Educational Level:** High school senior or undergraduate student; contact organization for details

**GPA:** Academic record considered

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Santa Clara County, California, or child or grandchild of IAHF member

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation, photo, letter from parent/guardian demonstrating financial need, and enrollment verification

**Contact:** [iahfsj@iahfsj.org](mailto:iahfsj@iahfsj.org) or 408-293-7122

**URL:** <https://www.iahfsj.org/scholarships>

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**Name:** Italian American Lawyers Association Annual Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$3,000  
**Deadline:** September  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic achievement considered  
**Major:** Law  
**Residence:** Intent to practice law in Los Angeles County, California  
**Other Requirements:** Must demonstrate financial need and potential contribution to the Los Angeles-metropolitan area Italian American community  
**Contact:** IALA\_Scholarships@att.net  
**URL:** <http://www.iala.info/scholarship>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Orders Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of California, and Sons of Italy Western Foundation  
**Scholarship Name:** Academic Scholarship (multiple scholarships available); Athletic Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$500–\$5,000  
**Deadline:** February  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, and two letters of recommendation  
**Contact:** 415-586-1316  
**URL:** <http://osiaca.org/Scholarships/How-To-Apply>

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## COLORADO

**Sponsoring Organization:** Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo, Colorado  
**Scholarship Name:** Dante Alighieri Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$1,000  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Intent to study Italian in college  
**Residence:** Pueblo or Pueblo West, Colorado, or surrounding area  
**Other Requirements:** Must have studied Italian language in high school. Essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation.  
**Contact:** [dantesocietyofpueblo@yahoo.com](mailto:dantesocietyofpueblo@yahoo.com)  
**URL:** <http://www.dantealighieriofpueblo.org/scholarships.html>

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## FLORIDA

**Sponsoring Organization:** Gulf Coast Italian Culture Society, Inc.

**Scholarship Name:** GCICS Scholarship Program

**Amount:** \$1,000 (five scholarships available)

**Deadline:** March 1

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** 3.5; SAT Verbal and Math combined score of 1200+; ACT Composite of 25+

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Sarasota County, or specified schools in Manatee County, Florida

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation

**Contact:** <https://www.gcics.org/contact>

**URL:** <https://www.gcics.org/scholarship>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of Florida

**Scholarship Name:** OSIA Florida Scholarship

**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Deadline:** March 15

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** 3.0; SAT total 1100+; ACT Composite of 23+

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Florida

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, and student aid report or college financial aid report

**Contact:** 407-892-4266

**URL:** <https://osiaflorida.org/scholarships>

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## ILLINOIS

**Sponsoring Organization:** AMICI Naperville Area Italian American Club

**Scholarship Name:** Scholarship Program

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior planning to enroll at a two- or four-year college or vocational school

**GPA:** 3.25

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Naperville, Illinois, or related to AMICI Club member

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation

**Contact:** MPfur@aol.com

**URL:** <http://www.amiciclub.org/highlights.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Columbian Club Charitable Foundation  
**Scholarship Name:** Columbian Club Charitable Foundation Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$2,500–\$5,000  
**Deadline:** October  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior or undergraduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Illinois  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation, photo, and enrollment verification  
**Contact:** scholarshipccc@aol.com  
**URL:** <http://columbianclub.org/scholarship>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian American Chamber of Commerce  
**Scholarship Name:** College Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$1,000  
**Deadline:** July  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior or undergraduate student  
**GPA:** 3.5  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Illinois  
**Other Requirements:** An autobiographical letter, transcript, two letters of recommendation, and photo  
**Contact:** info@iacc-chicago.com  
**URL:** <https://www.iacc-chicago.com/scholarships>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian American Executives of Transportation  
**Scholarship Name:** Italian American Executives of Transportation Charitable Foundation  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** September  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Illinois  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, letter of recommendation, and photo  
**Contact:** <http://iaet-chicago.org/contact/> or 708.212.1051  
**URL:** <http://iaet-chicago.org/scholarship/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans  
**Scholarship Name:** Various; see website for details  
**Amount:** \$2,000  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Does not apply, or journalism  
**Residence:** Chicago, Illinois metropolitan area  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, two letters of recommendation, and photo (and published work if journalism student)  
**Contact:** [jcc@jccia.com](mailto:jcc@jccia.com)  
**URL:** <https://www.jccia.com/scholarships>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Justinian Society of Lawyers  
**Scholarship Name:** Justinian Society of Lawyers Scholarship  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** September  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** Graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Law  
**Residence:** Students attending Chicago, Illinois metropolitan area law schools  
**Other Requirements:** Proof of Italian descent, transcript, and photo  
**Contact:** [info@justinianendowment.org](mailto:info@justinianendowment.org) or 708.338.0760  
**URL:** <http://justinianendowment.org/scholarships/>

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## MARYLAND

**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of Maryland  
**Scholarship Name:** Scholarship Program  
**Amount:** \$750 minimum  
**Deadline:** March  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** Two- or four-year college or vocational school student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Maryland  
**Other Requirements:** Must be a member or have a relative member. Essay, transcript, copy of driver's license, copy of birth certificate, and FAFSA form.  
**Contact:** <http://www.osiamd.org/contact.html>  
**URL:** <https://osiamd.org/scholarships/>

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## MASSACHUSETTS

**Sponsoring Organization:** Justinian Law Society of Massachusetts  
**Scholarship Name:** The Justinian Law Society of Massachusetts Scholarships  
**Amount:** \$2,500 (three scholarships available)  
**Deadline:** November  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Law  
**Residence:** Massachusetts  
**Other Requirements:** Transcript, letter of recommendation, personal statement, and resume. Preference given to applicants with interest in Italian culture and history.  
**Contact:** katedigangi@gmail.com  
**URL:** <http://justiniansofmass.org/scholarship/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Societa Santa Maria di Anzano Inc.  
**Scholarship Name:** Societa Santa Maria di Anzano Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$500  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Must demonstrate keen interest in Italian culture, language, and the community.  
**Residence:** Massachusetts  
**Other Requirements:** Transcript, letters of recommendation, copies of awards, and photo.  
**Contact:** 781-654-6745  
**URL:** <http://www.anzanoboston.com/scholarship.html>

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## MICHIGAN

**Sponsoring Organization:** Federazione Abruzzese del Michigan  
**Scholarship Name:** F.A.D.M. Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$1000 (two scholarships available)  
**Deadline:** May  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior or undergraduate student  
**GPA:** 2.75–3.0  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Southeast Detroit metropolitan area  
**Other Requirements:** Must have parent member of F.A.D.M.  
**Contact:** <https://fedabruzzo.org/contact-us/> or 586-207-1063  
**URL:** <http://fedabruzzo.org/>

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## NEW YORK

**Sponsoring Organization:** Columbian Lawyers Association

**Scholarship Name:** NYC-CLA Association Scholarship

**Amount:** \$2,500 (four scholarships available)

**Deadline:** March

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** Graduate student

**GPA:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Major:** Law

**Residence:** City of New York, or Nassau, Suffolk, or Westchester counties, New York

**Other Requirements:** Essay

**Contact:** [info@columbianlawyers.com](mailto:info@columbianlawyers.com)

**URL:** <http://www.columbianlawyers.com/scholarships/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Enrico Fermi Educational Fund of Yonkers

**Scholarship Name:** Enrico Fermi Scholarship Foundation

**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Deadline:** March

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Yonkers, or Westchester County, New York

**Other Requirements:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Contact:** (914) 523-6777 or [mliotta551@aol.com](mailto:mliotta551@aol.com)

**URL:** <https://enricofermi.org/scholarship-info/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Hofstra University, Office of Financial Aid

**Scholarship Name:** Joseph and Mary Ann Monticciolo Endowed Scholarship

**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Deadline:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Italian Descent Required:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Educational Level:** Graduate student

**GPA:** Academic record considered

**Major:** Law

**Residence:** Does not apply

**Other Requirements:** Must be enrolled in School of Law at Hofstra University. Preference given to students demonstrating interest in Italian history and culture.

**Contact:** [lawfinaid@hofstra.edu](mailto:lawfinaid@hofstra.edu)

**URL:** <https://law.hofstra.edu/giving/scholarshipsupport/scholarships/index.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Civic League  
**Scholarship Name:** Italian Civic League Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$1,000 (two scholarships available)  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Monroe County or adjoining counties, New York  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, and letter of recommendation  
**Contact:** Information not available  
**URL:** <http://www.italiancivicleague.org/scholarships.php>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Women's Civic Club  
**Scholarship Name:** Dante Scholarship  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate or graduate student at University of Rochester, Nazareth College of Rochester, or St. John Fisher College  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Rochester, New York metropolitan area  
**Other Requirements:** Essay and transcript  
**Contact:** <http://www.iwccinc.org/contact.htm>  
**URL:** <http://www.iwccinc.org/dante%20scholarship.htm>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of New York  
**Scholarship Name:** New York Grand Lodge Foundation Scholarship  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** March  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** New York state  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, two letters of recommendation, and \$10 application fee  
**Contact:** 516-785-4623  
**URL:** <http://www.nysosia.org/scholarships>

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## OHIO

**Sponsoring Organization:** Americans of Italian Heritage Charities

**Scholarship Name:** Americans of Italian Heritage Charities Scholarships

**Amount:** \$2,000 (four scholarships available)

**Deadline:** May

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student

**GPA:** 3.0

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Lake, Geauga, Cuyahoga, and Ashtabula counties, Ohio

**Other Requirements:** Transcript, letters of recommendation, financial aid award letter

**Contact:** [info@aihclub.com](mailto:info@aihclub.com)

**URL:** <http://www.aihclub.com/aih-scholarships.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America, Akron Lodge #685

**Scholarship Name:** Akron Lodge Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,500

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior or undergraduate student

**GPA:** 3.0

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Does not apply

**Other Requirements:** Must be a member or have a parent member of Akron lodge. Two essays, transcript, standardized test scores, two letters of recommendation, and photo.

**Contact:** Information not available

**URL:** <https://sonsofitalyakron.org/forms.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Stark County's Italian American Festival

**Scholarship Name:** Stark County Italian American Foundation

**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Deadline:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Does not apply

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Stark County, Ohio

**Other Requirements:** Mandatory interview for eligible applicants

**Contact:** High school guidance counselor

**URL:** <https://cantonitalianfesta.org/scholarships>

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## PENNSYLVANIA

**Sponsoring Organization:** Festa Italiana di Vandergrift, Inc.

**Scholarship Name:** Festa Scholarship

**Amount:** \$2,000

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Academic record considered

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Vandergrift, Pennsylvania

**Other Requirements:** Essay

**Contact:** High school guidance counselor

**URL:** <http://festaitaliana.us/scholarships.html>

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## RHODE ISLAND

**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of Rhode Island

**Scholarship Name:** Scholarship Program

**Amount:** \$1,000–\$3,000 (seven scholarships available)

**Deadline:** May

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Academic record considered

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Does not apply

**Other Requirements:** Must have a parent/grandparent member. Essay, participation in oral competition, and optional FAFSA form.

**Contact:** [sdella1547@aol.com](mailto:sdella1547@aol.com)

**URL:** <http://www.risonsofitaly.com/scholarship-information.html>

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## TEXAS

**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Cultural and Community Center of Houston

**Scholarship Name:** ICCCH Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** 3.0

**Major:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Residence:** Houston, Texas metropolitan area

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation

**Contact:** 713-524-4222

**URL:** <http://www.iccchouston.com/scholarships/policy/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian American Civic League  
**Scholarship Name:** Italian American Civic League Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$1,000–\$4,000  
**Deadline:** March  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Utah  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, and standardized test scores  
**Contact:** <http://italianamericancivicleague.com/contact/>  
**URL:** <http://italianamericancivicleague.com/scholarships/>

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#### WASHINGTON, DC

**Sponsoring Organization:** Lido Civic Club of Washington, DC  
**Scholarship Name:** Lido Civic Club Scholarship  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior or undergraduate student  
**GPA:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Within fifty miles of Washington, DC  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, letters of recommendation, and FAFSA form  
**Contact:** [email@lidoclub.org](mailto:email@lidoclub.org) or <https://www.lidoclub.org/contact>  
**URL:** <https://www.lidoclub.org/scholarship>

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#### WEST VIRGINIA

**Sponsoring Organization:** West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival  
**Scholarship Name:** WVIHF Scholarship Program  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** March  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** High school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** West Virginia  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, photo, and \$10 application fee. High school and college seniors must submit college acceptance letter.  
**Contact:** 304-622-7314  
**URL:** <http://www.wvihf.com/scholarship.cfm>

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## WISCONSIN

**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Workmen's Club

**Scholarship Name:** Italian Workmen's Club Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000–\$2,000

**Deadline:** April

**Italian Descent Required:** Yes

**Educational Level:** High school senior

**GPA:** Academic record considered

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Dane County, Wisconsin

**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation

**Contact:** <http://iwcmadison.com/contact/>

**URL:** <http://iwcmadison.com/scholarships/>

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## Scholarships for Students of Italian Studies

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**Sponsoring Organization:** American Foundation of Savoy Orders  
**Scholarship Name:** Savoy Orders Pigott Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$2,500  
**Deadline:** May  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate or graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Humanities, fine arts, international studies  
**Residence:** United States  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation, and enrollment certification. For students of humanities or fine arts, preference given to study in Italy.  
**Contact:** amsavoy@aol.com or 212-972-0495  
**URL:** <https://www.savoyfoundation-usa.org/scholarships.html>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Brooklyn College, Modern Languages Department, CUNY  
**Scholarship Name:** Julian E. and Margaret R. Miranda Scholarship for the Pursuit of Italian Studies  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** February  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate or graduate student at Brooklyn College  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Italian  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** None  
**Contact:** [scholarship@brooklyn.cuny.edu](mailto:scholarship@brooklyn.cuny.edu)  
**URL:** <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/schools/socialsciences/departments/modernlanguages/graduate/scholarships.php#>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Florida Atlantic University, Lena Camiccia-Arnautou Foundation  
**Scholarship Name:** Lena Camiccia-Arnautou Scholarship for Excellence in Italian Studies  
**Amount:** \$1,000  
**Deadline:** February  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate student at Florida Atlantic University  
**GPA:** 3.0  
**Major:** Italian  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Essay and transcript  
**Contact:** [ruthenbe@fau.edu](mailto:ruthenbe@fau.edu)  
**URL:** <http://fau.edu/artsandletters/llcl/italian/italian-scholarships/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Italian Language Foundation  
**Scholarship Name:** Dante Award for Excellence  
**Amount:** \$100–\$200  
**Deadline:** Within three months of completing AP Italian exam  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Must have completed AP Italian exam  
**GPA:** Must score 3, 4, or 5 on AP Italian exam  
**Major:** Does not apply  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Must be member of Italian Language Foundation  
**Contact:** [info@italianlanguagefoundation.org](mailto:info@italianlanguagefoundation.org)  
**URL:** <https://www.italianlanguagefoundation.org/dante-awards-2019-2020/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers Awards  
**Scholarship Name:** NYSAFLT Scholarship  
**Amount:** \$500  
**Deadline:** January  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate or graduate student  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Foreign language education  
**Residence:** New York  
**Other Requirements:** Undergraduate student application must be submitted through a language instructor who is a member of NYSAFLT. Graduate student must be member of NYSAFLT. Letter of recommendation and transcript.  
**Contact:** [info@nysaftl.org](mailto:info@nysaftl.org)  
**URL:** <http://www.nysaftl.org/awards/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Order Sons of Italy in America  
**Scholarship Name:** Italian Language Scholarship  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** February  
**Italian Descent Required:** Yes  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate junior or senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Italian  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, two letters of recommendation, resume, and \$35 application fee  
**Contact:** [scholarships@osia.org](mailto:scholarships@osia.org)  
**URL:** <https://www.osia.org/programs/scholarships/italian-language/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** Pirandello Lyceum  
**Scholarship Name:** Pirandello Scholarship  
**Amount:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** High school senior  
**GPA:** Academic record considered  
**Major:** Intent to study Italian in college  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Must have studied Italian language in high school. Essay, transcript, standardized test scores, two letters of recommendation, and intent to spend one semester in Italy.  
**Contact:** pirandellolyceum@aol.com  
**URL:** <http://pirandello.com/pirandello-scholarship-program/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** University of California, Department of Italian, Los Angeles  
**Scholarship Name:** Althea Caravacci Reynolds Undergraduate Research Award  
**Amount:** \$3000–\$4000  
**Deadline:** April  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Undergraduate senior at UCLA  
**GPA:** 3.5  
**Major:** Italian  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Awarded for best senior thesis project. Curriculum vitae and personal statement.  
**Contact:** harrison@humnet.ucla.edu  
**URL:** <https://italian.ucla.edu/undergraduate/scholarships/>

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**Sponsoring Organization:** University of California, Department of Italian, Los Angeles  
**Scholarship Name:** Giovanni Cecchetti Graduate Award  
**Amount:** \$3,000  
**Deadline:** May  
**Italian Descent Required:** No  
**Educational Level:** Graduate student at UCLA  
**GPA:** Information not available; contact organization for details  
**Major:** Italian literature  
**Residence:** Does not apply  
**Other Requirements:** Letter and curriculum vitae  
**Contact:** harrison@humnet.ucla.edu  
**URL:** <https://italian.ucla.edu/funding-opportunities/graduate-scholarships/>

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## Study Abroad Scholarship

**Sponsoring Organization:** U.S. Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs

**Scholarship Name:** Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

**Amount:** up to \$5,000

**Deadline:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Italian Descent Required:** No

**Educational Level:** Undergraduate student

**GPA:** Information not available; contact organization for details

**Major:** Does not apply

**Residence:** Must be United States citizen

**Other Requirements:** Must be recipient of Pell Grant, enrolled in credit-bearing study abroad or internship program in country with travel advisory level 1 or 2.

**Contact:** [gilman@iie.org](mailto:gilman@iie.org) or 800.852.2141, Ext 1

**URL:** <https://www.gilmanscholarship.org/>

# Scholarship Information Update Form

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Thank you for your help in maintaining an accurate handbook. To update any information or add a scholarship, complete this form and mail it to:

John D. Calandra Italian American Institute  
Attn: College Scholarship Handbook  
25 West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10036

Or email a complete listing, as outlined below, to: [calandra@qc.edu](mailto:calandra@qc.edu)  
For more information visit [calandrainstitute.org](http://calandrainstitute.org)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Telephone # and Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Information required for scholarship listing:

Sponsoring Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline: \_\_\_\_\_

Italian Descent Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Level: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

URL: \_\_\_\_\_



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