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## **Student Visa for Italy**

Long-stay visas (national D visas) are issued for stays exceeding 3 months. The main reasons for issuing this type of visa are study, work and family reunion. National long-stay visas are for intended stays of more than 90 days. Those visas are covered by Italian national legislation, although holders of a national long-stay visa have the right to circulate within the territory of the Member States in accordance with Regulation (EC) No (EU)265/2010 of 25 March 2010. In particular holders of type D visas are permitted to circulate freely in Schengen countries other than the issuing one for a period of not more than 90 days per half-year and only if the visa is valid. They are typically issued for family reunion, study or employment purposes.

### **Student Visa**

If you are a Non-EU citizen intending to enter Italy you must submit your visa application and the relevant documents to the Italian diplomatic representation. The visa procedure might slightly change depending on the Embassy/Consulate, they however all require the reason and duration of your stay as well as the proof of adequate economic means and accommodation. Once arrived in order to legitimate your stay you must submit your [stay permit](#) request to the Immigration Office within 8 working days from your arrival.

1. Applications from the residents of New Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Chandigarh are to be decided by the [Embassy of Italy in New Delhi](#).
2. Applications from the residents of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Daman and Diu, Dadra, Nagar Haveli, Lakshadweep, Pondicherry are to be decided by the [Consulate of Italy in Mumbai](#).

3. Applications from the residents of the States of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Tripura, Sikkim and West Bengal, the Union Territory of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Nepal are to be decided by the [Consulate of Italy in Kolkata](#).

The place of issue of a passport or the permanent resident mentioned in the passport does not determine the jurisdiction but it is the current place where an applicant resides for the past 6 months that determines whether he/she belongs to a specific jurisdiction. Please note that visa applications cannot be processed from applicants (including Indian nationals) not permanently residing in India. Those visiting India and wishing to go to Italy from India - even on their way back to their country of residence - need to apply for their Schengen visa before departing from the relevant Consulate of their country of residence.

You'll also need to know the documents that you'll have to submit along with your application, how long the application might take and fees you'll have to pay. Each application must comply with the guidelines applicable for your visa category. If your documents aren't in English, you may need to prepare translations before applying.

#### **ACCEPTED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:**

As far as India is concerned, the document specifies that Italy accepts Indian ordinary, diplomatic and service passports.

Please be informed that passport/travel document must:

- Have been issued within the previous 10 years, and its validity must not exceed 10 years;
- have a validity of at least 3 months after intended stay;
- have at least 2 blank pages.

#### **WHEN TO APPLY?**

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Visa applicants are hereby informed that applications cannot be lodged earlier than three months before the start of the intended journey. Therefore duly completed applications may be submitted three months onward prior to the confirmed travel date. As applications peak during the months of April through July, it is advisable to apply well in advance. This will help towards the smooth organisation of your trip to Italy.

Processing times for D visas are on average longer, taken into account the very accurate and thorough examination they are submitted to (and that can include a series of additional verifications) and the high volume of requests.

In any case, please note that applying for a visa is a process that could end both with the issuance of a visa or with a refusal. You are invited thus to seek for refundable tickets and hotel bookings. In any case the Embassy of Italy is not responsible for any financial loss connected to your trip and in which you can incur if the visa is not granted.

If you are applying directly at the Embassy, please note that Visa Application form can be filled online at this website <http://e-applicationvisa.esteri.it>. The print out of complete form along with the system generated barcode may be submitted at the Embassy in order to speed up the application submission process.

## VISA FEES

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Please note that the EUR-INR exchange rate is periodically adjusted. Hence visa fees in rupees could vary over time.

- National D visas: 116 euro
- National study visas: 50 euro
- Schengen study visa: free
- Schengen visas: 80 euro

## HOW TO PAY THE VISA FEES

•If you are applying at the Embassy please note that w.e.f. 24 June 2014 the Embassy of Italy will be accepting applications visa fee in the form of Demand draft only. Embassy of Italy will not entertain any other mode of payment. Demand draft needs to be made in favor of "Italian Embassy" payable at New Delhi.

•If you are applying in a visa application centre in cash or by demand draft or NEFT. If you apply at the VFS visa application center you will be charged the additional outsourcer's service fee. INR 1015/-

## TIMINGS FOR SUBMITTING REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

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All applicants who submitted their visa application at the embassy counter and are required to submit further documents may submit them on tuesday and thursday between 15:00 to 16:00. Prior appointment is mandatory.

General requests for general information on visas can be sent by email to [visti.calcutta@esteri.it](mailto:visti.calcutta@esteri.it).

### Documents and forms for National D study Visa application:

- Entry visa application form (<https://visa.vfsglobal.com/one-pager/italy/egypt/english/pdf/Application-Form-Ita-Eng-1.pdf>)
- recent passport-size photograph
- valid travel document whose expiry date is three months longer than that of the visa requested
- enrolment documentation pertaining to the training course the applicant wishes to attend (specifying the duration, the programme, gained certification etc.). The course cannot last more than 24 months and must be aimed at the recognition of a qualification or at the certification of the skills acquired.
- training documentation acquired in the country of origin
- proof that the applicant has sufficient means of subsistence for their stay in Italy, for an amount not lower than that specified in Table A annexed to the Directive of the Ministry of the Interior dated 1st March 2000 ([Proof of economic status, which includes: Bank statement of the applicant of his family, Scholarship from the Italian government, Bank guarantees covering the expenses of the stay in Italy](#), at least 500.00 euros/month)The Italian authorities want you to prove you have the necessary financial means to support yourself throughout your stay in Italy. You will need to prove you have the following amount depending on the length of your stay.
  - Up to 5 days– The overall amount is 269.60€ per person and 212.81 per two and more persons.
  - 6-10 days– The daily amount is 44.93€ per person and 26.33€ per two and more persons.
  - 11-20 days– The overall amount is 51.64€ per person and 25.82€ per two and more persons, plus the daily amount is 36.67€ per person and 22.21€ per two and more persons.

- Over 20 days– The overall amount is 206.58€ per person and 118.79€ per two and more persons, plus the daily amount is 27.89€ per person and 17.04€ per two and more persons. The Embassy will also ask you to provide evidence of:
  - statement about the availability in Italy of suitable accommodation, as well as the sum needed for repatriation, which may be verified by submitting a return flight ticket
  - health/insurance cover for medical and hospital admissions that should not entail limitations or exception (Travel health insurance policies for foreigners visiting Italy that fulfil Italian Visa requirements can be purchased online from [Europ Assistance](#) or [AXA Assistance](#). Travel insurance policies issued by both companies are accepted by Italian authorities worldwide.)
  - Declaration of Value of applicant's educational certificates by the Italian Embassy
  - Educational certificates of the applicant apostille by the Ministry of External Affairs
  - Payment receipt of tuition fees
  - Booking confirmation of return flight tickets for a short-stay study visa or a one-side ticket for long-stay study visa
  - Letter of admission in original

In order to obtain a 'Declaration of Value' from the Embassy of Italy in New Delhi, please, submit the [application form](#) along with the following documents:

1. authenticated and apostilled highest degree - in original
2. authenticated and apostilled mark sheet/transcript - in original
3. Italian translation of the degree / mark sheet
4. photocopy of the originals (degree / mark sheet - both front and back)
5. invitation / acceptance letter from the Italian University /Company (as applicable)
6. photocopy of the passport (first and last page)

The highest degree must be authenticated by the Regional Authentication Centre (Department of Education) of the State from which the degree has been obtained.

After authentication, the Apostille should be obtained from the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India: <http://mea.gov.in/apostille.htm>

For translation of the authenticated and apostilled degree, kindly refer to the list of translators.

### **To apply for a visa**

**You cannot submit your visa application online.** You can only apply for a visa at the responsible Italian Embassy or Consulate or at the office of a designated external service provider.

<https://e-applicationvisa.esteri.it/moduloOnline.html?L=en-GB#step-1>

To apply please bring the following documents with you:

- visa application form (please sign this form),
- barcodes with your E-@pplication-encrypted data,
- any necessary additional documents. The kind of documents required depends on what type of visa you are applying for.

Each Embassy or Consulate can also ask for additional documents to be submitted that are not listed above. Please check directly the exact list of documents you must submit to get a visa by contacting the closest Italian Embassy or Consulate in your country