Apply for Your Italian Visa at the Italian Consulate in Miami

**Document Checklist to Get a Visa (Florence)**

**A**
- Valid Passport AND a copy of signature and bio page
  - Must be valid for at least 6 months BEYOND the end of your stay in Italy;
  - Must contain at least 2 blank visa pages;
  - Must have been issued within the past 10 years;
  - You must surrender your passport for the duration of the application process.
  - Please ensure that your passport is signed!

**B**
- Proof of legal status AND a copy
  - If you are not applying from your country of citizenship:
    - Original and copy of visa or residence permit for country in which you are applying.
    - i.e. I-20 and F-1 visa or US permanent resident card for non-US citizens applying from the US; French student visa for any student applying in France, etc.

**C**
- Copy of Student or State ID
  - You must submit whichever ID shows proof of residence in the consulate's jurisdiction.
  - This ID should match the address you put in your visa application! (i.e. If your application is for the Italian Consulate in New York and you are a NYU student, your NYU Student ID suffices for this requirement as proof of residence in the New York Jurisdiction)

**D**
- One fully completed visa application form
  - Use this [application form](#) for the Italian Consulate in Miami. If applying at a different consulate, please visit that consulate's website for the application.
  - Please follow the [sample application guide](#) to help you complete the form.

**E**
- One recent passport-size photo (plus 4 additional photos for after your arrival in Italy)
  - Can be taken by StudentLink Staff at 383 Lafayette Street (2 photos for $10) or at places such as Walgreens.
  - Do not attempt to take/print your own “passport-style photo.” It never works. This photo does NOT need to match the photo in your passport.
  - **NOTE:** You will need to bring 4 additional photos with you to Italy for your Permesso Application which you will complete after arriving in Florence.

**F**
- Visa Processing Fee
  - US equivalent of €50 ($55.40 for Miami as of 1/1/2020)
    - Visa Fees will change every 3 months (Jan 1, April 1, July 1 and Oct 1).
    - Please check your consulate website to ensure you have the correct visa fee.
    - Fee is payable by [money order](#) only, paid to the order of the “Consulate General of Italy in [City]”
### G: OGS Support Letter Packet AND a copy of each letter
- OGS will be distributing support letter packets to all students submitting individual visa applications. You will receive an alert from OGS when your packet is ready.
- This packet includes:
  - Official acceptance letter in Italian
  - Official acceptance letter in English
  - Proof of GEOBlue health insurance

### H: Proof of Financial Means AND a copy
- All students must prove that they have sufficient funds to support themselves for each semester they are in Italy.
- This should be in the form of a bank letter or an official bank statement. Refer to the Sample Bank Letter for reference.
- The Italian Consulate in Miami requires that students show a base sum of **207 euros** in addition to **28 euros per day of stay** (e.g. 207 + 28 x 109 days). This equates to about **$3,730 USD** for one semester and **$8,661 USD** for the academic year.
- Letter **MUST** be on official bank letterhead.

### I: Prepaid priority envelopes from the U.S. Postal Service (no FedEx, no UPS)
- If you are not participating in Group Application Submission:
  - The Italian Consulate in Miami requires a self-addressed, prepaid envelope (Should be stamped AND have a prepaid labels with a barcode) and a photocopy of it.
  - Applicants for all visas must also present the Declaration for Mailing Passports filled out.

### J: One Affidavit of Financial Support AND a copy
- If your parents will be supporting you or if your parents’ name(s) appears on your proof of financial means, they must sign the affidavit and have it notarized.
- If you are using your own bank account without a parent’s name on it, you do not need to submit this affidavit.

### K: Any additional documents specified by the consulate’s website
- All consulates operate autonomously and reserve the right to request any materials they deem necessary to evaluate your visa application.
- Check the consulate’s website. If you show up to your appointment without all of the required materials, you may be turned away and forced to make a new appointment.