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 ($55.70 for Miami as of 10/1/2019)
- 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]”
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

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 at least **$4,100 in available funds** per semester or **$9,205 in available funds** if attending for the academic year. This is the equivalent of 35 US dollars per day of the student's stay in Italy.
- Letter **MUST** be on official bank letterhead.

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.

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.

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.