

ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTER OF MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL SCHOLARSHIP FOR MAJORS AND MINORS IN ITALIAN

The Italian Cultural Center of Minneapolis/St. Paul and the Department of French and Italian announce the following scholarship to support study abroad in 2016-2017:

The Italian Cultural Center of Minneapolis/St. Paul Study Abroad Scholarship in Italian will provide program fee, housing, and airfare (up to \$3,000) for a student at the University of Minnesota, majoring or minoring in Italian who will be enrolled in a study abroad program in Italy that is promoted by the Learning Abroad Center and that involves at least 13 credits of coursework per semester. This scholarship may be used during the student's junior year (Fall or Spring semester or both) or the Fall semester of the senior year.

- Recipients shall be in good academic standing and shall have demonstrated exceptional academic promise.
- Applicants should be a current sophomore or junior in Spring 2016, intending to enroll in a study abroad program promoted by the Learning Abroad Center for Fall 2016 and/or Spring 2017.
- Students are required to have completed at least 4 semesters of Italian before they begin their study abroad program.
- Students participating in programs only for the summer are not eligible to apply.
- This scholarship can be used only for the payment of program fee, housing, and airfare.
- Minimum GPA requirement: 3.35

Application material will include the following:

1. An application form
2. An unofficial transcript
3. A letter of recommendation from the instructor who is best able to assess the applicant's academic and intellectual capacities
4. An application essay describing the applicant's engagement with Italian studies or culture and what receiving this scholarship would make possible.

The award selection will be made by a selection committee made up of the faculty and staff of the Department of French and Italian, in consultation with the Italian Cultural Center.

In an effort to forge a closer relationship with the student selected for this scholarship, the Italian Cultural Center would like to request that he/she send a monthly update to the ICC during the time the student is on the study abroad program. The update should consist in a brief write-up (150-200 words) and picture(s) regarding his/her Italian stay, learning and/or travels. The update would be posted on the ICC website and published in the ICC monthly newsletter.

Applications should be submitted to the Department of French and Italian, 314 Folwell Hall, by 4:30 PM on Friday, March 11, 2016. For further information, contact Susanna Ferlito at 612.624.4151 or ferli001@umn.edu