

ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTER OF MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL
MASSIMO BONAVIDA MEMORIAL 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 2017-2018:

The Italian Cultural Center of Minneapolis/St. Paul “Massimo Bonavita” 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. The student must use the Scholarship to support enrollment in a study abroad program in Italy that is approved by the Learning Abroad Center at the University, carrying at least 13 credits of coursework per semester while in Italy. 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 currently be sophomores or juniors in Spring 2017, intending to enroll in a study abroad program approved by the Learning Abroad Center for Fall 2017 and/or Spring 2018.
- Students are required to have completed at least 4 semesters of Italian before they begin their study abroad program.
- Students participating in programs for the summer only 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 must include the following:

1. An application form (available from the Department);
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; and
4. An application essay describing the applicant's engagement with Italian studies or culture and the life or career goals which this scholarship would make it possible for the applicant to attain.

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 of 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 10, 2017. For further information, please contact Professor Susan Noakes, Director of Italian Studies at the University, at noake001@umn.edu or 612.624.0076.