

Scholarship Program 2020-2021 Call for applications

(deadline 31 July 2020)

The Istituto italiano per gli studi storici is pleased to offer annual scholarships in the field of history, philosophy and literature for graduates and PhDs in order to support their further research. For the next academic year 2020-2021 it offers:

a) 10 scholarships of € 12.000,00 (gross amount) each; if the candidate is resident in the Campania region the gross amount of the scholarship is € 9.700,00.

b) 1 “Federico II” scholarship of € 10.300,00 (gross amount) funded by the Università degli studi di Napoli for graduates from Italian universities with a final dissertation in Medieval Studies.

c) 1 scholarship of € 10.000 (gross amount) funded by Pio Monte della Misericordia for a research project on “The Seven Works of Mercy within the documents of the historical archive of the Pio Monte della Misericordia di Napoli”.

1. Eligibility criteria

- Candidates must be less than 32 years old by the date of 31 July 2020 (born after 31 July 1988);
- Graduates and PhDs in history, philosophy or humanities must have discussed their final dissertation before the deadline (31 July 2020);

- Since 1st November 2020, candidates will not be receiving any scholarship or research funding and will not be engaged in any gainful activity which is incompatible with the obligations set out in the Scholarship Program (see “Responsibilities of the recipients”§4);

Applications from candidates who already received a scholarship from the Istituto will not be accepted.

2. How to submit

The application form (available at www.iiss.it) must be sent duly filled in and signed, together with the documents listed below, **no later than 31 July 2020** (the postmark will not serve a proof of the date of sending) by registered post to the address: “**Borse di studio**”. **Istituto Italiano per gli studi storici, via Benedetto Croce, 12 – 80134 Napoli**. It can also be sent by the candidate’s certified e-mail address to borsedistudio.iiss@pec.it.

Documents that must be attached to the application form are:

1. Copy of the identity card or passport.
2. *Curriculum studiorum*, including linguistic competences (Italian is mandatory).
3. Degree or PhD certificate showing marks for individual exams and/or overall evaluation.
4. Copy of the graduation or PhD dissertation and a maximum of 5 published or draft research publications, both in hard copy and digital file (in case of certified e-mail submission, only digital version is required).
5. Abstract (max. 10 pages) of the graduation or PhD dissertation.
6. Research project (max. 5 pages) including aims, timing, materials and the other institutions where the research can be carried out.
7. Two academic letters of reference.

Applications which do not completely satisfy the above conditions will not be considered.

3. Board of examiners

Candidates who are shortlisted may be called for an interview via Skipe by the Board of Examiners. Scholarships will be granted by the Board based on the evaluation of *curriculum studiorum*, publications, research project and interview when requested. The list of winners will be available on the website: www.iiss.it.

4. Responsibilities of the recipients

The scholarship will be paid to the successful candidates in twelve monthly instalments starting from November 2020.

From November 2020 to May 2021 candidates must carry out their research project and attend all courses, seminars and conferences organised by the Institute; in the following months they can carry out their research at another institution, either in Italy or abroad.

Candidates must submit a first report about their educational experience and research activities by 30 June 2021 and a final one by 31 October 2021.

Candidates are expected to prepare a scientific work to be submitted to the Scientific Committee of the Institute for the publication in the Series of the Institute.

The Institute reserves the right to withdraw funding should fellows prove themselves to be seriously inadequate. The scholarship can be renewed for a year to particularly worthy students.

Application materials will be returned only at the applicant's request and expense. The request must be submitted by 31 January 2021.

Napoli, 28 May 2020

Il Presidente

PROF. NATALINO IRTI

The Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Storici, founded in 1946, aims to give young university scholars with a strong interest in historical studies, the opportunity for in-depth study into history and its relationship with scientific logic, philosophy, ethics, human rights, political economy, religion, and art. These fields define and testify human ideals, values and aims, and as such these are the subjects the historian is called upon to interpret in order to recount history.

Fellows will have a place to study at the Institute's Library, which nowadays consists of about 140.000 volumes and they will also be allowed to use the Library of Benedetto Croce.

Scholarship works of particular relevance will be published in the "Annals", which have now reached their XXXIInd volume, or, if more appropriate, in the "Monographic series", which has reached its 75th volume.

The Institute carries out its activities thanks to contributions from: Compagnia di San Paolo, Dipartimento per le politiche di coesione, Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca, Ministero per i Beni e le Attività culturali e per il Turismo, Regione Campania.