



Which kind of Visa do you have to request?

SHORT TERM STAY (LESS THAN 90 DAYS) - VISA C

If your stay in Italy lasts less than 90 days you have to request a short term stay visa (type C VISA = "short duration").

Type C visa can either be:

- National visa: valid only for Italy if issued by an Italian Consulate/Embassy. It does not allow you to travel to other Schengen countries
- Schengen visa: valid for Italy and also for other [Schengen Countries](#).

Please consider that having a visa only grants you entrance in Italy. Once arrived, in order to legitimate your stay you must submit the [declaration of presence](#) to the Immigration Office (Sportello Unico per l'Immigrazione) in Pisa within 8 working days from your arrival.

LONG TERM STAY (MORE THAN 90 DAYS) - VISA D

If you are going to stay in Italy for more than 90 days, you must apply for a visa type D (= "long duration") to enter Italy and once arrived you have to request a stay permit.

Type D visa can either be:

- Single entry: it does not allow you to re-enter Italy or to travel in other [Schengen Countries](#)
- Multi entry: allows to circulate in other Schengen countries for up to 90 days every six-months

Please consider that having a visa only grants you entrance in Italy. Once arrived, in order to legitimate your stay you must submit the stay permit application to the Immigration Office within 8 working days from your arrival.

STUDY VISA (for Master Course, PhD or visiting students)

If you have been admitted in a Sant'Anna Master Course/ Phd programme

The School will notify you the admission to the Master Course or PhD Programme enclosing the enrolment letter that you must submit to the closest Italian Embassy or Consulate in your country or in the country of your permanent residence applying for a study visa type D (= 'long-term', i.e., valid for more than 90 days).

PLEASE NOTE: in order to request an appointment at the Embassy/Consulate students asking for a Study Visa are requested to enrol/register in the Italian Ministry of Education [University](#). Once received the application, Sant'Anna offices will verify and validate it, transmitting it to the chosen

Embassy/Consulate. Only after these steps, students will be able to request and receive an appointment at the Italian Diplomatic Representative Visa Office they have chosen in the pre-enrollment application.

If you are interested in a Sant'Anna Master of Science (MSC)

First of all you must verify the admission's requirements for every Master of Science you are interested in, by [consulting this section](#).

Please note that before asking for a visa you have to complete all the Pre-enrollment step at the closest Italian Embassy/Consulate in your Country before asking for a visa. All information are available on the Italian Ministry of Education's website (www.universitaly.it).

Documents needed for a Study Visa

- The visa application form duly filled in
 - Passport-size photo
 - Valid passport
 - Proof of availability of sufficient means of subsistence (e.g., study grant, bank or insurance warranty or equivalent credit document, etc.)
 - Declaration of availability of suitable accommodation/appropriate lodging in Italy
 - Travel ticket
 - Some Embassy/Consulate may request a private health insurance. Please consider that at your arrival in Pisa you have the possibility to enroll in the [Italian Health System](#).
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RESEARCH VISA (for research fellowships or research fellow positions)

If you have been selected for a "borsa di studio " (research activity on a specific topic), for a research fellowship (assegno di ricerca), or for a research fellow position you will be asked to apply for a scientific research visa in the nearest Italian Embassy or Consulate in your country of residence. In order to apply for your visa, the Immigration Office (Sportello Unico per l'Immigrazione) in Pisa will electronically transmit a document called 'Nulla Osta' (entry clearance) - which represents the relevant document which is going to support your Visa application - to the Italian Embassy in your country of residence. Sant'Anna International Relation Office will support you in completing all the procedures.

Documents needed

- entry visa application form duly filled in
- recent passport-size photograph
- valid travel document whose expiry date is three months longer than that of the visa requested
- "Nulla osta" (authorisation) for research from the relevant SUI (immigration one-counter shop - for stays longer than three months

WORK VISA (for Master Course, PhD or visiting students)

According to Italian Law, in order to come to Italy with a work contract an extra EU citizen has to request a WORK Visa. To obtain this kind of Visa you should apply for it to the nearest Italian Embassy/Consulate in your country of residence with the legal certifications concerning the work activity to be exploited in Italy which will be provided by the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies. Sant'Anna International Relation Office will support you in completing all the procedures.

FAMILY VISA (for Master Course, PhD or visiting students)

In order to foster family cohesion if you hold an entry visa for study or research you can apply for visa for your family (spouse, dependent children) at the Italian Embassy/Consulate in your home country. Application for entry clearance for a family member can be submitted by proxy.

If you are already in Italy, you can apply for a “family reunion” (ricongiungimento familiare). If all requirements are satisfied, the Immigration Office (Sportello Unico per l’Immigrazione) in Pisa will issues an entry clearance ('Nulla Osta') within 90 days of application.

A stay permit for family reasons entitles the holder to take on subordinate work or self-employment, to be granted access to education and to health care provided by the National Health Service.

PLEASE NOTE: A foreign family member of an Italian or EU national is not required to apply for entry clearance at the Sportello Unico but can apply for an entry visa directly at the Italian Embassy.
