I AM A UNIVERSITY STUDENT ABROAD AND I WOULD LIKE TO COME TO ITALY TO FINISH MY STUDIES. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

The evaluation of the cycles of the abroad study periods will be carried out by the single faculties, exclusively to continue the university studies (L.148/2002). The automatic transfer of the abroad studies is not provided.

I AM A STUDENT WITH A FOREIGN DEGREE. CURRENTLY STUDYING IN ITALY. I WOULD LIKE TO TRANSFER TO SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY.

If you are a student with a foreign degree, currently studying in Italy, and you would like to transfer to Sapienza University, you have to wait until July when the new course catalogue is published on our website. At that time you will be able to find out what you need to do to transfer from another University. Once you have completed the transfer application at your current university, you will have to visit the administrative office at the Sapienza faculty you have selected.

I HAVE A FOREIGN DEGREE, HOW CAN I DO TO HAVE IT RECOGNIZED IN ITALY?

The recognition of foreign academic titles depends on international agreements. At present, there are no active international agreements. Students who wish to obtain the recognition of a foreign title, need to follow the indications provided by their selected faculties, exclusively to continue the university studies (L.148/2002). The automatic transfer of the abroad studies is not provided.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT THE RECOGNITION PROCESS OF A FOREIGN DEGREE CAN TAKE UP TO 1 YEAR.

IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT ITALIAN UNIVERSITIES USE THE EUROPEAN CREDIT TRANSFER SYSTEM (ECTS) IN WHICH 1 CREDIT UNIT IS EQUAL TO 30 HOURS OF STUDY TIME.

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THE ITALIAN UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

For additional information visit the website:
www.miur.it/guida/guide.htm
www.cimea.it

ITALIAN LANGUAGE EXAM FOR EXTRA EU CITIZENS LIVING ABROAD

For admission at our Bachelor and Master programme in Italian language, you have also to take the Italian Language Exam. The date (normally at the beginning of September) for the Italian Language Exam is determined nationally by the Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR). Students who do not pass this exam will not be able to enroll at the University for that specific Academic Year.

The minimum accepted language levels are: B2, C1, C2. You can be exempted from the Italian Language exam by providing one of the following accepted language certificates:

- Italian language certificates with grades corresponding to European Council levels C1 and C2 issued with a CLIL system quality;
- Students with a secondary school diploma (4-5 year) that has been issued by a recognised public or private Italian school abroad;
- Students with a complementary grade school certificate obtained in Argentina (years 6-8) certifying that at least five years were conducted in Italian.

COSTS OF LIVING IN ROME

Rome is not a cheap city, but it is much cheaper than many other European cities. Food is great and generally inexpensive, especially if you shop at a supermarket or local market stalls. Eating out, movies and other leisure activities are, again, less expensive than many other European capitals.

Public transportation in the city is also relatively cheap - €1.50 per journey - and much cheaper if you invest in a monthly or yearly pass. Moreover, you can take advantage of a large range of student offers and discounts available at clubs, museums, sporting events, etc. Your greatest expense will be housing, depending on which area of Rome you choose.

On average, you will need at least €800-900/month to live in Rome. Although you only need proof of about €500/month to apply for your student Visa, please be warned that this might be not enough to live in Rome.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Sapienza University hosts a range of summer schools, which will give you the opportunity to study and live in one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Terms and conditions may change from school to school; please refer to our website (www.uniroma1.it) for more information.
Any student with a non-Italian academic diploma, degree or equivalent should contact our office. To be eligible for admission to an Italian university programme, you will need a 12-year school record.

**EU CITIZENS**
- Citizens from an EU country;
- Citizens from Norway, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Switzerland or the Republic of San Marino;
- Foreigners who already reside legally in Italy (including refugees and people with subsidiary protection);
- Staff on duty in foreign diplomatic delegations or in international organisations established in Italy and that are accredited by Italy or the Holy See, and their children.

**NON-EU CITIZENS RESIDING IN ITALY**
- Non-EU citizens who have been legal residents in Italy for no less than one year as of test date registration and who have obtained an Italian university degree;
- Non-EU citizens who possess a secondary school diploma from an Italian school abroad or a foreign or international school (either in Italy or abroad) legally recognized via governmental bilateral agreements or special legislation;
- Non-EU citizens with a valid residence permit for studies, who already enrolled in an Italian university in a previous academic year.

**NON-EU CITIZENS RESIDING ABROAD**
- All the other categories

Italian citizenship is considered prevalent in case of dual citizenship.

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**WHO?**

**EU CITIZENS**
- Architects
- Civil Engineering
- Agricultural Engineering
- Food and Environmental Sciences
- Environmental, Geophysical, Geological and Marine Sciences
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Physics
- Psychology
- Biology
- Biochemistry and Biophysics
- Chemistry
- Clinical Psychology
- Dentistry
- Dentistry and Orthodontics
- Biologic Sciences (biomedical and life sciences degree)

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**DOCUMENTS**

1. Student registration code from the online portal Infostud
2. A certified photocopy of your high school diploma (at least 12 years), which must be translated into Italian, legalized and accompanied by a Declaration of Equal Value issued by an Italian consulate or embassy in the country where the diploma was obtained. (You must be at least 17 years old when you receive your study visa to enrol at Sapienza.)
3. A certified photocopy and a simple photocopy of your university degree, which must be translated into Italian, legalized and accompanied by a Declaration of Equal Value issued by an Italian consulate or embassy in the country where the degree was obtained. EU students and EU equivalent students may replace the Declaration of Value with the Diploma Supplement for academic qualifications issued by institutes in the European Higher Education Area (Bologna Process) and self-certify their qualifications and the exams they have passed;
4. A certified copy and a simple photocopy of your academic transcript issued by your university, including all the courses/exams that you have taken, which must be translated into Italian and legalized by an Italian consulate or Embassy; only for degree courses taught totally in English language, the certificate can be presented in English language;
5. A photocopy of the university course catalogue for each single course and the number of hours of theory and training required to obtain a degree. This document must be signed by the University and translated into Italian. (Please note: this point only applies if you are requesting the recognition of exams/courses taken abroad, if you are applying for a Master degree or if you need an evaluation of your foreign degree);
6. A photocopy of your ID (Identity Card) or Passport;
7. A photocopy of your residence permit and the grounds for its issue. If you are renewing your residence permit, we will need a photocopy of your expired residence permit and a self-declaration in which you state that you are applying for renewal, and a self-certification motivating your return.
8. A photocopy of your study Visa: normally from March to July of the current year, you should contact your nearest Italian Consulate or Embassy at the beginning of the Academic Year. They will transmit your application to Sapienza. Once Sapienza receives your application, we will send you an approval letter that you can use to apply for your study visa. You will be accepted with reserve. Please note: a regular tourist VISA will not be accepted for university admission.
9. Within eight days of your arrival in Italy with a Type-D VISA for study purposes, students must apply for a residency permit for study reasons at the police headquarters (Questura) in Rome. The request can be presented at a post office by using the specific available kit. When you present the application, you will need to identify yourself and pay the following fees: €27.50 for the electronic residency permit application; €80.00 for the residency permit (3 months – 1 year); €30.00 for post office fees; Stamp duty (Marca da bollo) (Prices refer to 2016 and changes may occur)

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**HOW?**

**If you fail the test you can NOT enroll**
- Some tests are DECISIVE to enroll to Sapienza. Decisive means that:
- You can ALWAYS enroll

**If you pass the test you CAN enroll**
- The decisive test can be:
  - National Planning
  - Local Planning

- These programmes in Sapienza are:
  - Medicine and Surgery including Dentistry
  - Architecture
  - Architectural Construction Engineering

- You need to subscribe to the website universitaly.it

- Once you have registered with universitaly.it, you also need to register with the Sapienza the on-line INFOSTUD student portal.

- For the English programme in Medicine and Surgery, you only have to register with INFOSTUD if you plan to take the test at Sapienza.