

# Sons of Italy Foundation

Through the Sons of Italy Foundation (SIF), and hundreds of thousands of family members located in all fifty states and the District of Columbia, the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America (OSDIA) has awarded nearly \$61 million in scholarships to date. In past years, the SIF has offered 10 to 12 merit-based scholarships (National Leadership Grants), ranging from \$4,000 to \$25,000, in a nationwide competition. These figures and the number of scholarships may vary according to funding each year.

**General Eligibility:** U.S. citizens of Italian descent (at least one Italian or Italian-American grandparent) enrolled in a graduate program or in an undergraduate program at a four-year, accredited academic institution for the 2020 Fall term.

*Previous SIF scholarship winners are not eligible. Additional eligibility requirements may apply to specific scholarships.*

**General Requirements:** Please see each scholarship description for its specific requirements. The following general requirements apply to all scholarships (except where noted):

- **Application Form:** Must be submitted along with requirements for each scholarship.
- **Transcripts:** For each scholarship, transcripts provided must be through the December 2020 term. All transcripts must be stamped by the institution.
- **Processing Fee:** A \$35 non-refundable processing fee is required with each scholarship application. The fee includes a one-year At-Large Membership to OSDIA, with all At-Large Membership benefits.

**Deadline:** The deadline for all scholarships (unless otherwise noted) is February 28, 2020. All requirements for a given scholarship must be met or the application will not be considered. All scholarship materials must be submitted online and completed applications must be submitted by February 28, 2020. No exceptions will be made. The SIF takes no responsibility for incomplete or late applications.

**Process:** Applications are screened by education professionals. Final selection is made by OSDIA's National Scholarship, Education and Culture Committee. Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 1, 2020. Monetary awards are presented directly to the students' academic institutions in accordance with eligibility requirements.

*For more information please email [scholarship@osia.org](mailto:scholarship@osia.org).*

# General Study Scholarships 2020

Ends on February 28, 2020

\$35.00 USD

**Eligibility:** U.S. citizens of Italian descent enrolled in a four-year undergraduate program or a graduate program at an accredited academic institution for the **Fall 2020** term.

**Deadline:** February 28, 2020

## Application & Requirements:

1. **Application Form**
2. **Official Transcripts:** Submit one official transcript from each academic institution attended through Dec. 2019. **High school students:** transcripts should include class rank, class size, and GPA. **Undergraduates:** submit high school *and* undergraduate transcripts. **Graduates:** submit undergraduate *and* graduate transcripts.
3. **Test Scores:** Submit copies of official results from all standardized tests (ACT, SAT, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT, etc.) taken during the past 5 years. Score reports are accepted.
4. **Resume:** Submit a current resume outlining extracurricular activities, work experience, volunteer service and honors.
5. **Letters of Recommendation:** Submit 2 letters of recommendation from teachers, professors or educational administrators.
6. **Essay:** Submit an original essay of 500-750 words about a personal experience which demonstrated or generated pride in your Italian heritage.
7. **Processing Fee (\$35)**

We use Submittable to accept and review our submissions.

# Henry Salvatori Scholarship 2020

Ends on February 28, 2020

\$35.00 USD

Established by the late philanthropist and businessman for whom it is named, the Henry Salvatori Scholarship for General Study is a grant awarded to a college-bound high school senior who demonstrates exceptional leadership, distinguished scholarship, and a deep understanding and respect for the principles upon which our nation was founded: liberty, freedom, and equality.

**Eligibility:** U.S. citizens of Italian descent in their senior year of high school and planning to attend an undergraduate program at a four-year, accredited academic institution for the Fall 2020 term. **Deadline:** February 28, 2020

### **Application & Requirements:**

1. **Application Form**
2. **Cover Letter:** Submit a cover letter of 150-250 words outlining your academic and professional goals.
3. **Official Transcripts:** Submit one official transcript from each academic institution attended through Dec. 2018. Transcripts should include class rank, class size, and GPA.
4. **Test Scores:** Submit copies of official results from all standardized tests (ACT, SAT). Score reports are accepted.
5. **Resume:** Submit a current resume outlining extracurricular activities, work experience, volunteer service and honors.
6. **Letters of Recommendation:** Submit 2 letters of recommendation from public officials/figures (elected or appointed government official, law enforcement officer, firefighter, etc.) whose careers have demonstrated a commitment to the principles the scholarship embodies.
7. **Essay:** Submit an original essay of 750-1,000 words on the following: The Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights are considered to be living documents by many historical and legal scholars. Discuss the relevance of these documents to the principles of liberty, freedom and equality in the United States today.
8. **Processing Fee (\$35)**

We use Submittable to accept and review our submissions

## **Italian Language Scholarship 2020**

**Ends on February 28, 2020**

**\$35.00 USD**

**Eligibility:** U.S. citizens of Italian descent in their junior or senior year of undergraduate study for the Fall 2020 term, majoring or minoring in Italian language studies at an accredited academic institution.

**Deadline:** February 28, 2020

**Application & Requirements:**

1. **Application Form**
2. **Official Transcripts:** Submit one official transcript from each academic institution attended through Dec. 2019.
3. **Test Scores:** Submit copies of official results from all standardized tests (ACT, SAT, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT) taken during the past 5 years. Score reports are accepted.
4. **Resume:** Submit a current resume outlining extracurricular activities, work experience, volunteer service and honors, especially as they relate to Italian language, culture and heritage.
5. **Letters of Recommendation:** Submit 2 letters of recommendation from teachers, professors or educational administrators.
6. **Essay:** Submit an original essay of 500-750 words in Italian on why learning Italian is important in today's world and how you plan to use your Italian language degree.
7. **Processing Fee (\$35)**

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**National Italian American Bar Association (NIABA) & Sons of Italy Foundation Scholarship 2020**

**Ends on February 28, 2020**

**\$35.00 USD**

**Eligibility:** U.S. citizens of Italian descent (at least one Italian or Italian-American grandparent) enrolled in a law school program at an accredited academic institution for the Fall 2020 term. Applicant must be a rising first, second- or third-year law student.

**Deadline:** February 28, 2020.

**Application & Requirements:**

1. **Application Form**
2. **Official Transcripts:** Submit one official transcript from each academic institution (undergraduate, graduate and law school) attended through Dec. 2019.
3. **Test Scores:** Submit copies of official results from all standardized tests (ACT, SAT, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT, etc) taken during the past 5 years. Score reports are also accepted.
4. **Resume:** Submit a current resume outlining extracurricular activities, work experience, volunteer service and honors.
5. **Letters of Recommendation:** Submit 2 letters of recommendation from teachers, professors or educational administrators.
6. **Essay:** Submit an original essay of 500-750 words about a personal experience which demonstrated or generated pride in your Italian heritage.
7. **Processing Fee (\$35)**

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