



Ambasciata d'Italia in Wellington

**STUDY VISA/SCHOOL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS APPLICATION
(applicants minor of 18 years of age)**

Citizens and Permanent Residents of New Zealand, Tuvalu, Samoa, Tonga, Niue, Cook Islands, Kiribati and Pitcairn can apply for a Study Visa/School Exchange Programs for Italy to the Embassy of Italy in Wellington.

A study visa/School Exchange Program allows entry into Italy for short and/or long stays for the purpose of exchange and mobility programs.

In order to lodge an application, applicants are required to post to the Embassy (PO box 463, 6140) the following documentation:

- [National Visa Application Form](#); the application must be signed in front of a Justice of the Peace (JP);
- A valid passport with at least 90 days validity after the visa expiry date (the passport must have a blank page on which the visa will be affixed);
- 1 recent passport-style photo;
- Full flight itinerary including border of entry into Italy;
- Proof of Payment of the visa processing fee (i.e. screenshot of your bank account). Payment is required by bank transfer. Please note that the amount of the visa processing fee changes from quarter to quarter. The applicant is advised to check the correct amount to be paid and our bank details [at this his link](#) (Please pay amount for National Visa);
- Prepaid self-addressed courier envelope with attached “Courier with Signature” label (to be purchased separately). For Rural deliveries please include also a “Rural Delivery label” (also purchased separately).
- [Host Declaration Form](#) duly signed by your host and accompanied by your host’s ID;
- Travel insurance that covers a minimum of EURO 30 000 for emergency medical expenses;
- Official Host School enrolment letter, also indicating the Program commencement and termination dates;
- [Consent letter](#) (as statutory declaration) signed by both parents, giving consent and financially support their son/daughter. Must be signed by the prospective student's parents in the presence of a Justice of peace (J.P), a public notary, or signed in any Consular Honorary Office from our Consular Network ([Auckland, Christchurch or Dunedin](#));
- Photocopy of both parents Passport;
- Photocopy of applicant Birth Certificate;
- Parents bank statements;
- Cover letter of the NZ/Australian student exchange organization accepting full responsibility for travel and study in Italy;
- Cover letter from the Italian student exchange organization.

Please note that additional documentation may be required for specific type of study visa. Please also note that our visa officers reserve the right to request additional documentation to support a visa application and biometric identifiers are required for short stay study visas.

Visas take at least 2 weeks to process once a complete application is submitted. We encourage applicants to apply at least one month before their intended date of departure.