Italian Genealogical Group 2023-2024 Annual Scholarship Awards

Application due: May 15, 2024

Open to High School Seniors of Italian Heritage

Since 1993, the IGG has awarded over $54,000 in scholarship money through our annual scholarship competition, open to high school seniors throughout the United States. It is our goal to encourage the future of Italian genealogy through this unique opportunity.

Application Requirements:

1. At least one Grandparent or Great-Grandparent of Italian descent.

2. You must be a CURRENT and graduating High School Senior in order to apply.

3. Work Required:

    A. **FAMILY TREE/PEDIGREE CHART**
    1. Complete the pedigree chart provided on the IGG website
    The pedigree chart must be completed electronically and should include as much detail as possible with a minimum of **FOUR generations.** However, you must include at least ONE generation that was born in Italy. If that is beyond four generations, then you must go beyond the minimum of four generations. If your Italian born ancestor was more recent than four generations, then you must have a minimum of four generations. You must include non-Italian ancestors as well. If you have ancestors from additional countries, they must also be included. Names, dates, town and province must be included.The tree will be uploaded with your application in one PDF.

    B. **RESEARCH** - You MUST include research – include copies of documents (do not send originals). Note on them from WHERE/ HOW they were obtained. Family photos ARE allowed BUT DO NOT constitute "research." (See essay instructions for more detail.)

4. You will be marked on **TWO things: Research (60 pts) and Family Tree (40 pts)**. Scoring will be weighted by the amount of information recorded and documented. The grading rubric can be used by the student to facilitate the understanding of requirements.

5. Your application must be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from an IGG member. Perhaps your relative or friend might like to join us so that he or she can give you that recommendation. https://www.italiangen.org/join/

6. Completed application, research documentation and family tree must be submitted via Google Forms in PDF format: https://forms.gle/EinumK79AHbDccaq8
You will receive a confirmation when the application is submitted.

Submitting all materials as a PDF via Google Forms is our **preferred** format.
If you are unable to submit via Googe Forms, please contact scholarships@italiangen.org well ahead of the submission deadline.

Note: Failure to include any of the above documents will result in disqualification of your application.

Finalists may be subject to a telephone interview by one of our judges. Applicants consent that the IGG may print their essays in our publications.

Scholarships will be awarded on June 8, 2024 at our monthly meeting which will take place at the Bethpage (NY) Public Library, or virtually, via Zoom. Scholarship recipients are invited to accept their award either virtually or in-person.

All work becomes the property of IGG and will not be returned to applicant.

Scholarship instructions and the required family tree/pedigree chart are available on our website, http://www.italiangen.org/scholarships

Contact the scholarship committee at scholarships@italiangen.org for further information, or any questions.

Winners' names and schools will be announced on our website and selected research will be published in our newsletter.

Submission Instructions:

For Submission via Google Forms (preferred):

1. Fill out the Google Form – all questions are required:
   https://forms.gle/EinumK79AHbDccaq8

2. Upload one PDF of less than 100mb when prompted at the bottom of the form. The form cannot be submitted without this file. The PDF file should be named in the following manner: *Last Name First Name IGG Scholarship Application*

3. The PDF should be organized in the following manner:
   Application Form
   Family Tree/Pedigree Chart
   Research
   Letter of Recommendation

Research Instructions

Distinctly explain how you did your research. For example, interviews with family members, documents, photos, online research including genealogical databases. Copies (not originals) of the genealogical records and transcripts of oral interviews must accompany your essay. (Note on each what they are, how they relate to your family and how you found them.)

Directions for Family Tree/Pedigree Chart

The Family Tree pdf provided has fields and can be filled out electronically. Remember, you must save your filled in Family Tree form with your name!!

You must send us a completed pedigree chart included with your application form and supporting documents.

Tips for completing the pedigree chart

1. List your name in position #1 on the left side of the chart.

2. Positions 2 and 3 will list your father and your mother.
   {INCLUDE DATES – birth, marriage & death}

3. Continue building to the right, including grandparents, great-grandparents.

4. Always use **MAIDEN NAMES** for any female listed on your chart.

5. Your pedigree chart must include your Last Italian Born Ancestor, and must include, at a minimum, FOUR generations of research. If your Last Italian Born Ancestor was born more than four generations ago, you MUST go beyond four generations.

6. Please see sample pedigree chart for an example on hour the chart should be completed.

Italian Genealogical Group Scholarship Application

Please TYPE or PRINT all information legibly

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

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Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

High School _____

Address _____

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College you will be attending
(if known) _____

Intended major _____

List your Italian family surnames _____

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How did you learn about our
scholarship? _____

IGG member who will offer a
recommendation for you _____

To the best of my knowledge, I affirm that the information on this form is complete and all accompanying documentation is accurate.

I further attest that this research is **MY OWN ORIGINAL** research.

I **CONSENT** to the IGG printing my essay in their newsletter.

I agree that if I utilize research previously done by another family member, it must be acknowledged as such.

Signature:_____ Date _____