



Consulate of Italy
Karachi

For university pre-enrollment and study visa for the academic year 2025-26 applicants must follow these steps:

1. Register on the web portal <https://www.universitaly.it> and print the registration receipt.
2. Obtain a CIMEA comparability certificate for their educational qualification through web portal: <https://www.cimea.it/EN/pagina-attestat-di-comparabilita-e-verifica-dei-titoli>
3. Apply for study visa by taking an online appointment at <https://blsitalypakistan.com/> *BLS Italy Visa Application Center, Plot No. 11C, Near Coffee Bean, Bukhari Commercial, DHA Phase-6, Karachi.*
4. BLS will accept applications on the basis of appointments from the residents of Sindh and Balochistan only.
5. Study visa applications should be submitted at least 90 days before commencement of the study program. (Study visa applications must be submitted before and not later than **30th November 2025**)

Students are advised to apply early and get a CIMEA comparability certificate as most universities in Italy now accept CIMEA comparability certificate as an alternate of Declaration of Value (DOV).

NOTE: The Consulate of Italy would like to remind students that this Consulate has no agreement with any Travel Agency or Intermediate Educational Consultants. If anyone demands money for a guaranteed pre-enrollment, admission and student visa, it is a SCAM. Kindly report the details of the person/consultant to the following email addresses: consolare.karachi@esteri.it; visti.karachi@esteri.it.



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DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR STUDY VISA

1.	Application form duly completed and signed.
2.	Recent two passport size color photographs with white background
3.	A copy of valid Computerized National Identity Card for the residents of Sindh and Balochistan.
4.	Motivational Letter for Study Visa
5.	International insurance covering (minimum cover: € 30,000) valid for one year (D-Type) Original and a photocopy for full coverage of hospitalization and medical emergency. Only individual policies must be provided, no family, group or company insurances are accepted. If the University is providing a Medical Insurance, applicant must provide a medical insurance limited to the first month.
6.	Copy of a confirmed flight booking.
7.	Proof of a suitable accommodation in Italy (Campus accommodation, rental agreement or a confirmed hotel booking of <u>minimum 45 days</u>). In case of accommodation in a private house, the owner must provide a declaration of hospitality (dichiarazione di ospitalità) signed in front of a notary public.
8.	Pre-enrolment letter issued by the UNIVERSITALY portal.
9.	CIMEA Comparability/Equivalency Certificate
10.	Original educational documents duly apostilled by MOFA Liaison Office in Karachi/Quetta + a set of photocopy
11.	Recipt of any payment made for registration and the Tuition fees (if required).
12.	Proof of sufficient means of subsistence. Amount must be shown in PKR and <u>Foreign Financial sponsorship is not valid</u> . The applicant has to provide: a) Last 6 months Bank Statement and Account Maintenance Certificate of a personal or parents' account in Pakistan; b) Evidence of other personal financial resources, economic guarantees provided by Italian institutions, by local Government, or by foreign institutions considered reliable by the Italian Diplomatic Mission; c) Salary evidence; d) Affidavit by the sponsor for the financial support;



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	e) Tax returns of the sponsor for the last two years. f) Relationship proof with the sponsor through Family Registration Certificate (FRC); Note: Original Bank Statement and Account Maintenance Certificate will be accepted with bank stamp only.
13.	Proof of the availability of the financial means needed for repatriation, which can also be proven by providing the return ticket to the country.
14.	If the student is a minor, a legal guardian in Italy must be appointed. Parents must contact the Italian Court (Tribunale) of the city where the student will be living and provide the name of a person to be appointed.
15.	A valid passport (and a copy) satisfying the following criteria: a) validity of at least three months longer than the visa requested; b) it must contain at least two blank pages.
16.	Photocopies of valid and previous visas (if any).

- Any application without a complete set of documents **may result in delay/refusal of the visa application**. The submission of a complete file does not guarantee the issuance of a visa. The passport will not be returned until a final decision on the visa is taken by the competent Italian Authorities. The Consulate reserves the right to call an applicant for a personal interview, verification of documents or any additional documents.
- If visa for study purpose is granted, within eight working days of entry into Italy, student must apply for the residence permit for study purpose "Permesso di Soggiorno" at the relevant Police Station "Questura".

BEWARE: Any forged/fake documents or passport will be reported to the competent Immigration Authorities in Pakistan and Italy for the **immediate legal action**.