



# Voce Italiana

The Robert A. Facchina Italian Legacy Research Program  
Casa Italiana Sociocultural Center Inc.  
595 Third St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

## Italian Legacy Research and Writing Summer Grant Information and Terms of Grant

Application deadline: **April 30, 2022**

Application available at: [casaitalianacenter.org/italian-legacy](https://casaitalianacenter.org/italian-legacy)

### Who we are:

The Casa Italiana Sociocultural Center Inc. (CISC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting Italian and Italian American history and culture through programs such as, the Italian American Museum of Washington DC, an Archives collection, a series of recorded oral histories, as well as *Voce Italiana*, a newspaper serving as “The Voice of Italian America in Greater Washington DC.” CISC also sponsors events to promote and educate the community on the history and culture of the greater D.C. area’s Italian and Italian American heritage.

### Who is eligible:

- Undergraduate and graduate students attending accredited colleges and universities within 75 miles of Washington, D.C., or whose permanent residence is within 75 miles of Washington, D.C.
- Applicants must be free to fulfill the grant requirements during the summer of 2022 (May/June – September).

### Purpose and Terms of the grant:

This is an excellent opportunity for a fulltime undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in Italian studies, cultural heritage, journalism, contemporary history, or migrations studies.

The purpose of the grant is to fund the research and writing of papers/articles on topics related to Italian and Italian American personalities, historical and current, and topics related to the presence and contributions of Italians in the Washington, D.C. area. The papers/articles will be entered into our Archives, and, where appropriate published in Voce Italiana, the community newspaper.

- The student will be expected to produce approximately 10 to 12 research papers/articles (varying in length from 500 words to 1,500 words) during the course of the grant period.
- The grant period is 12 to 15 weeks from May/June – September, 2022. The student will coordinate time schedules and deadlines with the CISC staff at the outset of the program.
- The student will research and write approximately 10 to 12 research papers/articles (varying in length from 500 words to 1,500 words), during the course of the grant period. If the paper is accepted for publication in Voce Italiana, the community newspaper, the student will receive a byline. All papers/articles will be placed in the Archives.
- The student and CISC staff will jointly identify a list of research/article topics. CISC will provide guidance on the approach, potential sources, etc. The student will conduct independent research, arrange for and conduct interviews, where necessary, and write the papers/articles on the identified list of topics.
- CISC will retain all rights to the student's written papers and articles.
- The student will work mostly independently off-site, except for the occasional meeting at the CISC office (595 Third St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20001). The student will work on his/her own computer.
- The grant amount is \$5,000, dispersed as follows: \$1,000 upon completion of research for the first paper/article; \$3,000 over the course of the other papers/articles; and \$1,000 upon the satisfactory completion of the project.
- This is a direct grant to the student. CISC will issue an IRS Form 1099. Any tax implications are the recipient's responsibility.
- Student is encouraged to attend programs and functions offered by CISC or other affiliated Italian American groups.

**Desired Skills:**

- Excellent research and writing skills
- Self-motivated; ability to work independently and on deadline
- Excellent computer skills; knowledge of Adobe InDesign is a plus
- Italian heritage, Italian language skills, and/or familiarity with the Italian American community in D.C. is preferred but not required.



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#### General Information:

Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School attending/anticipated graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your GPA? \_\_\_\_\_

What are your main extracurricular interests?

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**NOTE: This is a summer project from May/June to September 2022, an estimated 12 to 15 weeks.**

Are you available for summer 2022? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the earliest date you could start this research/writing project?

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How many hours per week can you work on this project?

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3. Write a 100-word biographical sketch that we could use, with your permission, to profile you in our newspaper and on our social media. (100-word max)

## **Assurances for the Legacy Research and Writing Grant, 2022**

I have read the application and have completed the application as my own work.

I attest that all the information is correct and true.

I understand and agree to the terms of the stipend and work conditions.

I understand this is a direct grant to me for summer 2022. Work is to be accomplished no later than September 30, 2022.

I will be paid for the work in three installments: \$1,000 upon completion of research for the first paper/article; \$3,000 over the course of the other articles; and \$1,000 upon the satisfactory completion of the project.

CISC will issue an IRS Form 1099. Any tax implications are my responsibility.

The CISC staff, Voce Italiana editor and I will coordinate work plans, time schedules and deadlines at the outset.

I will use my own computer and work remotely. I will attend occasional meetings at the CISC office (595 Third St. NW, Washington, D.C.).

All written materials produced will be products of CISC-IAMDC-VOCE. If I intend to use information from research/articles done under this grant, I will request CISC's permission to do so in advance.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Checklist:**

**Application deadline is April 30, 2022.**

**To complete your application, send ALL the following in pdf format:**

1. A completed general information form.
2. Responses to the essay questions.
3. A copy of your resume.
4. Two references familiar with your academic and work experiences (name, title, email, phone, and relationship).
5. The signed Assurances form.

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