

HOW TO APPLY FOR A STUDENT VISA

Non-EU students are required to apply for and obtain a **Student Visa (Type D)**, before coming to Italy. Please be aware that you must be compliant with all immigration rules and regulations to complete your enrollment at Bocconi and come to Italy.

Visit https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/?lang=en_US, where a guided procedure will help you determine whether you need a visa and where to apply - based on your nationality, country of residence, reasons for your visit and length of stay.

In order to apply for your visa, you need to **register on the University portal** at <https://www.universitaly.it/>

To allow the University to validate and forward the application to the Italian Embassy/Consulate before the summer break in August, it is recommended that you apply **by 3 July 2026**.

From the homepage, scroll down and select **“International Students”**, then click on **“Pre-enroll Now”**. You will be asked to complete a 3-step form. First, select the academic year in which you wish to enroll: **2026/2027**.

STEP A:

- complete the form with your **personal data**. These must be entered exactly as indicated in your passport.

STEP B:

- enter your **passport number and expiration date**. Then **upload a copy of** the first 2 pages of your passport, along with a passport-size photo of your face.
- **Select the country and the Italian Authority (Embassy or Consulate)** where you will request your visa. Then, under the reason for the visa request, select **“I want to enrol in a study course”**.
- Choose the University (**Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi**), the type of program (**Dottorato di ricerca-PhD**), select **"Every Languages"**, then choose the Course Name you have been admitted to and **"Language: ITALIANO"** will appear.
- Provide your ID Account at Bocconi University (**matr. n...**), that you can find in the Bocconi Admissions Portal .

STEP C:

- upload the **Graduate** degree qualification/s (e.g. Master of Science, Master of Arts, etc.) that you previously uploaded on the Bocconi Admissions Portal during your application (if you have not yet obtained your degree, please upload the transcripts of records instead).

There is no need to upload any additional documents, including language certificates.

As soon as you complete the application, the PhD School Office will upload the admission letter for the PhD program to be submitted to the Italian Embassy/Consulate for your visa application.

Once you hold your student visa and you cross the Italian border, you must apply for a Permit of Stay for study purposes (Permesso di soggiorno per motivi di studio).

Send a copy of the receipt of the application for permit of stay submitted to the Post Office to the [PhD School Office](#) as soon as you get it.