



Linking Minds Across Cultures

Fulbright Program to Italy for US Scholars  
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**Fulbright Lectureship in Italian-American Studies at the University of Calabria**

Award # 10236

Grant Category: Teaching/Research

Number of Awards: One grant

Discipline and specialization:

**Italian-American Studies**

Italian-American Studies: the experience of Italians and Italian-Americans within the United States. This is an interdisciplinary field that intersects with History, Anthropology, Folklore, American Literature, Italian Literature, Cinema, Media, Music, Economy, Law and more. We welcome applications from scholars of any of these fields, and in particular of Italian Studies, English Literature, Anthropology, Folklore, Cinema and Media Studies, Music and Performing Arts, Diaspora Studies, Sociology, Working-Class Studies, Labor Studies, Community-Engaged Scholarship (CES), History, Memory and Heritage Studies.

**SPECIAL FEATURES**

Research and Collaboration with peers; Teaching or guest lecturing at other university departments and other institutions in the city of affiliation of the scholar; Introduction and interaction with the local and university community.

Other opportunities: Conference organization and participation both at the University of Calabria and at other institutions in the South of Italy. Opportunity to be involved in the advanced international two-week seminar: Italian Diaspora Studies Spring Seminar, that takes place at the University of Calabria at the end of May–beginning of June.

Grant period and activity: Three months. Grant must begin in March 2021.

The Fulbright scholar will teach one courses, Seminar style, at Graduate, Master level, 6 hours per week, Average class size: 35 students.

Course and syllabus requirements: Detailed syllabus provided in advance with reading materials provided via pdf. Students will have to write a paper of 10 pages on an individual topic decided with the instructor.

Other activities: Student advising and tutorials.

In addition to being a prestigious academic exchange program, the Fulbright Program is designed to expand and strengthen relationships between the people of the United States and citizens of other nations and to promote international understanding and cooperation. To support this mission, Fulbright Scholars will be asked to give public talks, mentor students, and otherwise engage with the host community, in addition to their primary activities.

During the Fulbright grant, the scholar may be also invited to take part in academic meetings, conferences, seminars and other program-related activities organized by Italian or European universities, under the Fulbright Inter-Country Program <http://www.fulbright.it/fulbright-intercountry/>.

Qualifications:

Open to academics and appropriately qualified professionals outside of academia

Preference will be given to Full and Associate professors, but lower ranks will be accepted, too, on the basis of original and innovative proposals for the course syllabus required within the application. Minimum seven years of teaching experience after PhD. Outstanding professionals/non-academics will be considered. A research record is required but can be replaced by an

artistic and/or a professional record.

► **Language:** English, no other language is needed for lecturing. Conversational Italian is considered helpful.

► **Letter of Invitation and project proposal:** Letter of invitation should not be requested. Applicants should submit a detailed project proposal in the Fulbright US Scholar application.

► **Award benefits:** The grant amounts to € 10.100. This sum includes a maintenance allowance of € 9.000 and a travel allowance of € 1.100. The grantee will be covered by Health and Accident Insurance for the whole grant period, provided to participants in the Fulbright cultural exchange Program by the *United States Department of State*.

The cost of accommodation is on the visiting scholar. UniCal provides assistance in finding the best apartment according to her/his needs among the many residential centers on campus, and offers it at a very competitive cost: one bedroom apt costs 150 euro a month all included. For larger units, the price increases up to 250 euro a month. All the apartments are furnished with bed(s), dresser(s), closet(s), desk(s) and chairs. They are equipped with bed linen and towels, have WiFi, and a separate kitchen without supplies. There is access to laundry facilities (with extra charge). A weekly cleaning service is included (replacement of towels and bed linen, cleaning of washrooms, vacuum and dusting/wiping of surfaces).

UniCal offers an on-campus kindergarten service for children up to 4 years old. Dependents are welcome either for free or at discounted rates to enroll into the Sport Center and in the activities on campus such as seminars, conferences, cinemas, theatres, library, museums.

UniCal's Language Center offers courses in Italian and other languages at no cost for visiting scholars.

Secretarial/student assistance, a graduate student is hired as tutor of the course in Italian-American Culture and Literature.

Access to library facilities and office space, personal computer available upon request.

Access to computer network and other IT resources, access to university canteen with a plan of up to two meals a day at the cost of 9 euro per day.

Facilitated access to UniCal's sport center. Occasional discounts are available on tickets for the seasons of UniCal's two theatres and cinemas.

► **How to apply:** Fulbright Scholar Awards to Italy are assigned through an annual competition administered at the national level in the US by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars - CIES in Washington DC, in collaboration with the Fulbright Commission in Italy. Potential candidates can apply online through CIES (<https://apply.iie.org/apply/>).

Information on the Fulbright US Scholar Program, catalogue of awards, eligibility requirements, tips, guidelines and resources for applying, review criteria, selection and competition timeline is available on CIES website at <https://www.cies.org/program/fulbright-us-scholar-program>.

► **Application Deadline:** Monday, September 16, 2019

## For information about the grant, please contact Fulbright Commission staff:

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## Resources on the Italian university system and research:

- ❖ MIUR - Ministry of Education, Universities and Research - [www.istruzione.it](http://www.istruzione.it)  
Italian Government - Ministry of Education, Universities and Research
- ❖ CRUI - Conference of Italian University Rectors - [www.crui.it](http://www.crui.it)  
National Conference of Italian state and private universities
- ❖ ENIC-NARIC network - [www.enic-naric.net/index.aspx?c=Italy](http://www.enic-naric.net/index.aspx?c=Italy)  
Italy Country page on the ENIC-NARIC network of European Information Centers on academic recognition and mobility
- ❖ Ricerca Italiana - [www.ricercaitaliana.it](http://www.ricercaitaliana.it)  
National portal on the world of Italian Research
- ❖ ICCU - [www.iccu.sbn.it](http://www.iccu.sbn.it)  
National Institute for the Italian Library Catalogue

## Travelling to Italy

- ❖ ITALIA - [www.italia.it](http://www.italia.it)  
Discover Italy - info, ideas and resources for the travel to Italy
- ❖ CULTURA ITALIA, Un patrimonio da esplorare - [www.culturaitalia.it](http://www.culturaitalia.it)  
Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities - Cultural paths and resources from the world of Italian culture