

Italian Catholic Federation

MARIO CUGIA

Italian Studies
Scholarship Application

The Mario Cugia Italian Studies Scholarship Program

awards a

\$600 scholarship to a 3rd year university student

and a

\$1,000 scholarship to a 4th year university student

majoring in Italian Studies

The Italian Catholic Federation
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The Italian Catholic Federation

The Italian Catholic Federation is a National Catholic Fraternal Organization composed of persons of Italian ancestry (including their non-Italian spouses) who are of the **Catholic Faith**. One of the many programs of the Federation is scholarships to further the education of students who are **Catholic** and of **Italian descent** (or whose non-Italian Catholic parents or grandparents are members of the Federation) and who maintain a grade point average of at least 3.2 and who live within the Catholic Dioceses of California, Nevada, Illinois and Arizona, only where Branches of the Federation are established.

Scholarship Information and Requirements

In 1998, to honor Mario Cugia, Past President and Life Member of the Italian Catholic Federation Central Council, an Italian Studies Scholarship Program was created. Supplementing the Federation's Scholarship Program for lower division students, the Mario Cugia Scholarship has been established to encourage and support majors in Italian studies.

The program offers two scholarships: **(1) a \$600 award to a 3rd year university student** declaring a major in Italian, and **(2) a \$1,000 award to a 4th year university student** continuing his or her studies in Italian.

Applicants must be of the Catholic Faith, of Italian descent or - if non-Italian - children or grandchildren of current members of the Italian Catholic Federation and must have declared a major in Italian Language, Literature, History, Art or other aspect of Italian culture.

Applicants will be evaluated on (1) Scholastic Achievement, (2) Financial Need, (3) Leadership Role, and (4) Faculty Recommendation/ Character Reference.

Application Procedure

Applicants must complete and include the following:

- 1.** A transcript of the student's scholastic record.
- 2.** A letter of recommendation from a qualified teacher, administrator or counselor which also attests to the applicant's GPA and Class Rank.
- 3.** A personal letter of approximately 125 words explaining the applicant's origin (or I.C.F. affiliation of the non-Italian Catholic parents, guardians or grandparents) and describing future plans.

The student's completed application packet must be mailed to the Italian Catholic Federation at the address below, marked to the attention of the Scholarship Committee, by August 1st. Applications become the property of the I.C.F. All information submitted remains strictly confidential. Scholarship winners will be notified by September 1st.

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Mario Cugia Italian Studies Scholarship Application

I am applying for (check one) **\$600 3rd Year Scholarship** **\$1,000 4th Year Scholarship**

Name: _____ Phone:_(____)_____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parents' Address if different: _____

University/College: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

GPA: _____

Major Course of Study: _____ Minor: _____

Other relevant studies: _____

Extra-curricular activities, affiliations, experiences and achievements relevant to this application:

Are you presently employed? Yes _____ No _____ Employer Name & Address: _____

If yes, how many hours a week? _____ Job responsibilities: _____

I certify that the information submitted herewith is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: _____ ***Date:*** _____

SEE THE NEXT PAGE FOR FAMILY INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT'S PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.

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Family Information

Father's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Address: (if different than above) _____

Name of the Catholic Church which you attend: _____ City: _____

Are you a member of the Italian Catholic Federation? Yes _____ No _____ Br. # _____

If no, does another family member belong? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please indicate the name, branch number and relationship of affiliated family member:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Br. # _____

Financial Information

Do you contribute to the cost of the applicant's education? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, how much financial support will you be providing during the school year? \$ _____

Ages of your other dependent children:

Does the applicant have financial support/assistance from sources other than your income and his or her employment? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what additional source (s) _____

The income level of the family is: A. _____ Under \$50,000 B. _____ \$50,001 - \$100,000

C. _____ \$100,001 - \$150,000 D. _____ \$150,001 and above **(Please be sure to check one.)**

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____