Italian Catholic Federation

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The **Italian Catholic Federation** is a National Roman Catholic Fraternal Organization composed of persons of Italian ancestry (including their non-Italian spouses) who are of the **Roman Catholic Faith**.

One of the many programs of the Federation is to offer college scholarships to further the education of students who achieve a **total cumulative GPA (3 ½ years)** of at least **3.2** and meet all of the requirements in either #1 or #2: 1) Are **Roman Catholic** and of **Italian Descent** and **live within the Roman Catholic Dioceses of California, Illinois (cities within the Archdiocese of Chicago only) and Reno, Nevada (which also includes the other cities within the Diocese of Reno), as these are the only Dioceses where Branches of the Federation are established**. or 2) if either **Roman Catholic parent, guardian or grandparent** is a **member** of the **Italian Catholic Federation**, the student **must** be **Roman Catholic** but **need not be of Italian Descent** or **live where Branches of the Federation are established - membership of a Roman Catholic parent, guardian or grandparent is mandatory for #2**.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Federation will award scholarships to high school graduates payable to them upon proof of full-time enrollment, **in the first Fall Term following their High School graduation**, in an accredited university, college, junior college or technical school. Each year the number of the scholarships awarded is based upon the donations made by the membership of the Federation specifically to the I.C.F. Scholarship Fund. Also, recipients of an **I.C.F. First Year Scholarship** will automatically become eligible to receive an **advanced scholarship application** upon completing their 1st, 2nd and 3rd year of college consecutively. 2nd year scholarships are $600.00, 3rd year scholarships are $700.00 and 4th year scholarships are $1,000.00. Applications are reviewed and judged by the scholarship committee for the selection of scholarship winners. A **total cumulative GPA** of at least **3.2** must be achieved by the students. Applications for the advanced scholarships will be mailed directly to the first year recipient's **last known home address in June of each year**. (A maximum total of $2,800.00 if all 4 years are awarded.) **If you do not receive an advanced scholarship application by June 15th**, please call the I.C.F. Office and let us know so another one can be sent.

Applications will be judged and evaluated on:

►Scholastic Achievement – TOTAL CUMULATIVE GPA (3 ½ years) and CLASS RANK
►Financial Need
►Leadership Role
►Extracurricular Activities and Charitable Efforts
►Family Membership/Activities in the I.C.F. (if applicable)

In compliance with the requirements, applications must be complete and include the following:

1. **A complete transcript of the applicant's high school scholastic record.** **(Gr. 9 to 1st Qtr. or Sem. of Gr. 12.)**
2. **A personal letter which includes a profile explaining 1. The applicant's Italian origin – a detailed outline of the Italian ancestry of the family, (or I.C.F. membership affiliation of their non-Italian Roman Catholic parents, guardians or grandparents), 2. Why the applicant's Roman Catholic Faith is important to him or her and 3. The applicant's plans for the future.**

The applicant's completed packet should be mailed to the **I.C.F. Central Council Office** at the address listed above, marked to the attention of the **Scholarship Committee,** and must be received not later than **April 10, 2027**. All applications become the property of the **I.C.F. Scholarship Committee** and all information submitted remains ***CONFIDENTIAL***. **First Year Scholarship recipients will be notified during the month of May of the current year.**

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APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

I hereby apply for a First Year Scholarship offered by the Italian Catholic Federation, and certify that I understand and meet the necessary requirements and will enroll **in the first Fall Term following High School graduation**:

Cell Phone__(____)_____

Name_____Home Phone__(____)_____

Address_____City_____State_____Zip_____

High School_____City_____State_____Zip_____

GPA_____ Class Rank_____ E-mail_____

The University/College/School I plan to attend_____
(If a final decision has not been made, please list at least three schools that you are considering.)

City and State of University/College/School_____

The Course of Study/Profession I plan to pursue_____
(If a final decision has not been made, please list some studies/professions that you are interested in.)

Extracurricular/Charitable Activities in which I have been involved: (An attachment is allowed.)

I fully understand the deadline for this application is **April 10, 2027**, and that the contents of this application are ***CONFIDENTIAL***. I also understand that if I am awarded a First Year Scholarship, it will be payable to me upon proof of full-time enrollment, **in the first Fall Term following my High School graduation**, at an accredited university, college, junior college or technical school.

In compliance with the requirements for this scholarship, I submit the following information:

1. **A complete transcript of my high school scholastic record.** **(Gr. 9 to 1st Qtr. or Sem. of Gr. 12.)**
2. **A personal letter which includes a profile explaining 1. My Italian origin (ancestry) in detail, (or I.C.F. membership affiliation of my non-Italian Roman Catholic parents, guardians or grandparents), 2. Why my Roman Catholic Faith is important to me and 3. My plans for the future.**
3. **I learned about the Italian Catholic Federation Scholarship from: (check all that apply)**
   1. ☐ An I.C.F. Member 2. ☐ Online 3. ☐ High School Counselor
   4. ☐ Another Source_____ (i.e. Church Bulletin, Etc.)

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Income_____ Number in Family_____

District_____

I.C.F. Membership: Yes____ No____ Relationship_____ Br. #_____ City_____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father's Name_____Occupation_____

Address_____City_____State____Zip_____
(*only if different from applicant)*

Mother's Name_____Occupation_____

Address_____City_____State____ Zip_____
(only if different from applicant)

Name of the **Roman Catholic Church** you attend_____ City_____

Are you or a member of your family a current member of the Italian Catholic Federation?
○ Yes ○ No

Name_____

Relationship_____ Branch #_____ City_____

APPLICANT'S WORK INFORMATION

Are you presently employed? ○ Yes ○ No _____
(if yes, name of employer)

What are some of your job responsibilities? (list below) How many hours per week do you work?_____

TO THE APPLICANT'S PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

1. Ages of your other dependent children and list how many are attending college and the institution of attendance.

2. **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.)**

We certify that the information submitted herewith is true to the best of our knowledge and that

_____ is a Roman Catholic.
(insert student's name)

Signature of Parent/Guardian_____ Date_____

Signature of Applicant_____ Date_____

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

First Year Scholarship Application 2027

EDUCATING STUDENTS SINCE 1964

$500

I CAME TO LIGHT A FIRE

SINCE 1924