Italy

Age : 14 to 18

High school exchange in Italy

location : All over the country

Meal plan : Full board

Accommodation : Host family / Residence

Length : School Semester Abroad Italy / School Year Abroad Italy

Type : Public

Italian host families are volunteer. They are very welcoming, introduce the students to local customs and expect to have a good communication with the student they welcome in their home.

Students are placed in various types of schools, including vocational schools.

SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

Students improve their knowledge of the **Italian culture and language** through active participation in **family, school and community life**. The program gives students an opportunity to spend a certain period of time studying at an **Italian high school** and living with an **Italian volunteer family**. Some schools organize **extra-curricular activities** on afternoons. Students are placed in any region of Italy according to availability.

Note that an **orientation, cultural and language course** is offered on arrival in September. Meetings with other exchange students may be organized during the school year. All exchange students are required to attend 16 hours of Italian courses at the beginning of the school year: two hours a week, during eight weeks.

SCHOOL SYSTEM

The "scuola superiore" (high school) welcomes students from ages 14 to 19. Italian students begin this school after attending five years of "scuola elementare" (elementary school) and three years of "scuola media" (junior high school). Subjects offered depend on the type of school: Classical, Scientific, Fine Arts, Teacher Training, Artistic, Technical or Professional school. The schedule generally goes from 8:00 am to 1:00-2:00 pm.

Some schools offer **extra-curricular activities in the afternoon** (sports, theatre, and so on). Students often organize these activities themselves if they are not organized by the school.

We also offer students a short term homestay and school integration program (from 4 to 12 weeks). Graduation is not possible.

Application deadline : March 31st for an arrival in September; August 31st for an arrival in January. Late applications may be accepted, depending on availability and visa delays.

Requirements : Students must be interviewed in their home country before being accepted on the program. A minimum of two years of Italian study and good academic results are required.

PROGRAM	REF.	PRICE
High School exchange in Italy Fall *School Semester Abroad Italy / Host family*	ZITS1	8 690 EUR
High School exchange in Italy Spring *School Semester Abroad Italy / Host family*	ZITS2	7 590 EUR
High School exchange in Italy *School Year Abroad Italy / Host family*	ZITY1	9 990 EUR
Boarding School exchange in Italy *School Year Abroad Italy / Residence*	ZITBY1	13 890 EUR