

ORDER SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA
Roma Lodge 254, Virginia Beach, Virginia

2010-2011 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION ANNOUNCED

Roma Lodge 254, Order Sons of Italy in America, announces the availability of two college scholarships for the 2010-2011 academic year. Application forms are now available and complete application packages must be received by April 1, 2010. Decisions on the awards will be made by April 27 and announced shortly thereafter. Final scholarship recipients will be honored at the Roma Lodge Awards dinner in June, 2010.

The scholarships will be made available to students who will be full time undergraduate college students in the 2010-2011 academic year. The amount of these scholarships will be \$1,000 each, payable directly to the student's college or university. Eligible applicants must be children or grandchildren of a Roma Lodge member in good standing.

Scholarship applications will be scored by a committee of Roma Lodge members and will be awarded competitively based on the following criteria: academic honors and achievements; a cover letter justifying the award; a 500 to 1,000 word essay on a famous Italian or Italian-American; extra-curricular activities and awards; community and voluntary activities and awards; letters of recommendation from teachers or professors; and studies or other activities related to the Italian language, culture, and heritage.

Questions about the Roma Lodge 2010-2011 scholarship program may be addressed to Dr. Albert F. Marra, telephone 757-301-8797, or email amarra@odu.edu.

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2010-2011 Scholarship Application Instructions

All applicants must submit the following materials by April 1, 2010:

- 1-Cover letter stating why the applicant should receive a scholarship
- 2-Application form completely filled out, signed, and dated
- 3-High school transcript (certified copy, sent directly to Roma Lodge)
- 4-College transcript (certified copy, sent to Roma Lodge), if now in college
- 5-Letter(s) of acceptance from college, if a graduating high school senior
- 6-List of academic and non-academic honors, awards, and special activities
- 7-List of recent community-wide and volunteer activities and awards
- 8-List of studies or other activities related to Italian language, culture, etc.
- 9-Letters of recommendation from 2 current or recent teachers or professors
- 10-Essay on a famous Italian or Italian-American (typed, 500-1,000 words)

Applications and all related application materials will not be returned. Applicants will be notified by mail of their final status. Only complete, timely applications will be evaluated. All required application materials must be sent by first class US mail to Roma Lodge and received by April 1, 2010. For questions, contact Dr. Albert F. Marra at 757-301-8797 or amarra@odu.edu.

Mail all application materials to:

Order Sons of Italy, Roma Lodge No. 254
Attention: Scholarship Committee
3097 Magic Hollow Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23453

** IMPORTANT: These requirements pertain to all applicants, with no exceptions. Applications will only be accepted from graduating high school seniors or full time undergraduates in their first, second or third year. Please use regular first class US mail, with no special instructions. Please do not use any package delivery services.*

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Virginia Beach, Virginia 23453

2010-2011 Roma Lodge Scholarship Application
(All applications must be received by April 1, 2010)

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____
Number and Street City and State Zip Code

Area Code and Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Please give the name(s) of the Roma Lodge family member who is sponsoring your application and your relationship to that person:

Member's Name Relationship

What is your current enrollment status (check only one)?

Graduating HS senior, planning to be a full time undergraduate in 2009-2010

Full time first, second, or third year undergraduate college student

What is your current school or college? _____

If a high school senior, what is your planned college? _____

What is your current or planned major field of study? _____

Please provide the names and schools/colleges of two teachers/professors who will be sending letters of recommendation to the scholarship committee.

1. _____ 2. _____

Roma Lodge will keep all information confidential. If for any reason you do not attend college as a full time student in 2010-2011 the scholarship will be withdrawn.

“I agree to abide by the rules of the Roma Lodge scholarship committee. I certify that all information supplied with this application is true, correct and complete. I agree to allow Roma Lodge to publicize the results of the scholarship competition. If I am selected, I will allow Roma Lodge to publish my name, school, and home town.”

(Signature of applicant)

(Date)

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2010-2011 Scholarship Application Review Criteria and Scoring

Scholarship committee members and current Roma Lodge members in good standing may serve as reviewers. Application reviewers will read and score all applications carefully, assigning whole numbers scores to each section, up to maximum values indicated. Totals may not exceed 100. Reviewers may not discuss the applications with other reviewers or any other person, whether a member of Roma Lodge or not.

To avoid conflicts of interest, reviewers must recuse themselves if they have a relative by blood or marriage who has applied for a scholarship or if they are a friend or neighbor of any applicant or an applicant's family.

1. High school GPA. Also address college GPA if applicable. _____ (20)
2. Essay on a famous Italian or Italian-American. _____ (15)
3. Cover letter on why the applicant should get the award. _____ (15)
4. Letters of recommendation from teachers/professors. _____ (10)
5. Prior or current academic honors and awards. _____ (10)
6. Prior or current community and voluntary activities and awards. _____ (10)
7. Prior or current in-school activities and awards. _____ (10)
8. Prior or current studies or activities related to Italian language/culture _____ (10)
- TOTAL SCORE _____ (100)

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

Application reviewed and scored by: _____
(Signature, Roma Lodge Member) (Date)