

The documentation necessary for entry into Italy

Non-European citizens who do not belong to the European Economic Area must hold a valid passport and Visa. Visas are obtained from the Italian consulate in the visitor's country of origin or residence.

There are two types of visa that can be requested depending on the length of stay:

- Visa for a short stay, type C:
Valid up to a maximum of 90 days and issued by any Italian consulate in the Schengen area
- Visa for a long-term stay, type D:
Valid for more than 90 days, it may be applied for and issued by the Italian Consulate in the visitor's home country and it allows access only to the State for which the visa is issued.

How to apply for a visa:

The director of the center will send an official invitation to non-European visitors (as per the model attached) with which the researcher can apply to the Italian consulate in their home country

Once the researcher has arrived in Italy, (s)he must obtain a permit of stay. The visa alone is **NOT** sufficient to be allowed to remain in Italy.

How to get a permit of stay:

Within three days of arrival: the visitor must meet with the Center's administrative secretary to fill out the application for the permit of stay.

Within 8 days of arrival: the visitor must go to the *Questura di Venezia (Piazzale Roma) – Sez. Immigrazione e Ufficio Stranieri* (tel 041 2501352/38/63/73; fax 041 2501362 open hours: mon – fri 8:00 – 12:30; sportello.immigrati@provincia.venezia.it), and present the application, attaching stamp duty of 14,64 euro, three passport photos, a copy of their passport and visa, and a copy of their fiscal code if they have one.

Within 15 days from when the application is submitted: the visitor must collect the permit of stay from the same office.

The permit of stay will be valid for the same period as the research activity declared in the visa application.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Visitors with a permit of stay have the right to the same national health cover offered to Italian citizens according to the legislation *D.Lgs. 25/07/1998, n. 286 - D.P.R. 31/08/1999, n. 394 - Ministero della Sanità, Circ. 14/03/2000, n. 5 - D.P.R. 28/07/2000, n. 272.*

To enroll for SSN (Servizio Sanitaria Nazionale) visitors must go the Giustinian Hospital Fondamenta San Trovaso, Sportello1 (from 8.00 to 12.00), with:
A copy of their fiscal code (if they have one) a copy of their passport, and a copy of their permit of stay.

Enrolment in SSN gives visitors the right to:

- their choice of family doctor or pediatrician
- ordinary Day Hospital recoveries free of charge
- subsidies for pharmaceuticals

The insurance covers the entire period for which the permit of stay is valid.