

**Student Exchange Agreement Between
New York University (NYU) (Department of Italian Studies) and
The Istituto Italiano di Scienze Umane (SUM)**

New York University (NYU), on behalf of its Department of Italian Studies, represented by the Dean of its Graduate School, Professor Catharine Stimpson

And

The Istituto Italiano di Scienze Umane (SUM), as represented by its Director, Professor Aldo Schiavone

Hereinafter referred to as the "Institutions", agree upon this Student Exchange Agreement (Agreement) as of December 6, 2006, in order to establish an exchange program between students, establish and maintain academic relationships between the faculty and students of the two Institutions, on the terms set forth below:

Article 1

The academic focus of the Institutions in implementing this Agreement shall include the following areas:

1. Cultural and historical studies of Italy.
2. Exposing NYU doctoral students to Italian pedagogy in these areas and allowing them proximity to Italian libraries, archives, and other research institutions as necessary for the furtherance of their doctoral studies.
3. Exposing SUM doctoral students to Anglophone pedagogy in these areas and allowing them proximity to American libraries, archives and other research institutions as necessary for the furtherance of their doctoral studies.

Article 2

For the fulfillment of these goals, the Institutions agree to exchange doctoral students pursuant to Article 3.

Article 3

The Institutions agree to exchange full-time graduate students under the following terms:

1. Each year, by February 1, the Department of Italian Studies of NYU will nominate up to two doctoral students for consideration in the exchange program. Such students would attend courses at SUM during the fall semester of the following academic year.

Each year, by February 1, SUM will nominate up to two doctoral students for consideration in the exchange program. Such students would attend courses at the

Department of Italian Studies of NYU during the fall or spring semesters of the following academic year.

2. The sending institutions shall make a basic determination of eligibility prior to nominating a student for the exchange program. Such determination shall include satisfaction of the following criteria:

(a) Students must have successfully completed the first year of a doctoral program by the time such students would begin participation in the exchange program.

(b) It is intended that only the best-qualified students be eligible for the exchange program. Students nominated by the sending Institution must satisfy current admission standards for regularly-enrolled degree candidates at the host Institution.

(c) Students must demonstrate adequate language preparation for participation in the exchange program. Students from NYU must demonstrate proficiency by way of an appropriate language examination, as specified by the host Institution. Students from SUM must either (i) achieve a score of at least 250 on the computer-based TOEFL examination (or a score of 600 on the paper-based TOEFL examination), (ii) obtain clearance from NYU's American Language Institute, or (iii) demonstrate proficiency by way of an appropriate examination to be administered by the Department of the host Institution.

3. Following a determination by the sending Institution that a student is eligible for consideration by the host Institution, the sending institution shall, no later than the dates specified above, forward the following materials for each student to the host Institution for evaluation.

Applications for SUM students to study at NYU must be sent to the Department of Italian Studies at NYU and should include the following:

- (a) Completed application form;
- (b) Official copies of academic transcripts, mark sheets, or grade reports;
- (c) A TOEFL report or the results of another language proficiency examination according to the requirements of Article 3, subsection 2(c), above;
- (d) Student's statement of purpose for participating in the exchange program. This statement must demonstrate a link between the program of study at the sending Institution and that of the host Institution. Students must indicate the faculty members at the host Institution with whom they wish to work and the academic resources at the host Institution that will make the exchange a valuable academic experience.

Applications for NYU students to study at SUM must be sent to SUM and include the following materials:

- (a) Completed application form;
 - (b) Official copies of academic transcripts or grade reports;
 - (c) Document attesting to proficiency in Italian by way of an appropriate language examination, as specified by the host institution;
 - (d) Student's statement of purpose for participating in the exchange program. This statement must demonstrate a link between the program of study at the sending Institution and that of the host Institution. Students must indicate the faculty members at the host Institution with whom they wish to work and the academic resources at the host Institution that will make the exchange a valuable academic experience.
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In addition to the above materials, the host Institution may request information from the sending Institution or the student that it deems relevant to its consideration of the student for the exchange program.

4. Promptly following receipt of application materials for nominated students, an evaluation committee at the admitting department of the host Institution will review such materials and determine which, if any, students will be accepted into the exchange program. The evaluation committee will notify the sending Institution of the identity of the accepted students and whether or not there are any special conditions or provisions which will be applicable to a particular student or group of students.

5. All SUM students at NYU will be considered "visiting students" and will, for all purposes, be considered to be non-degree seeking students. All NYU students at SUM will be considered "visiting students" and will for all purposes, be considered to be non-degree seeking students.

6. The host Institution will provide accepted exchange students with formal letters of admission and other routine documentation as may be necessary to satisfy visa and other similar requirements. At NYU, letters of admission for SUM students will be issued by the department to which the student is applying. At NYU, the liason for visas will be David Giovanella of GSAS Enrollment Services and the Office of International Students and Scholars. At SUM, letters of admission for NYU exchange students will be issued by the Secretariat. At SUM, the liason for visas will be Prof. Marco Citroni.

7. Accepted exchange students will, depending on their language proficiency, be permitted the same choice of courses as regularly enrolled students in the relevant department of the host Institution. All successfully completed courses will result in credits toward the degree offered by the sending Institution.

8. Student services of the host Institution will generally be available to exchange students. Exchange students will be eligible for student housing at the host Institution, but the host Institution may, if it chooses, give priority for its housing facilities to its regularly enrolled students and its faculty and staff. The host Institution will make

available to exchange students information about and assistance in locating off-campus housing similar to that it provides to its regular enrolled students.

9. Upon arrival at the host Institution, the student will be assigned an advisor from the host Institution faculty who will follow and assist the student with all academic matters. In choosing the advisor, the department at the host Institution will consider eventual student preferences, the student's area of specialization, and the recommendations of the sending Institution. At the conclusion of each semester, the advisor will prepare an evaluation of the student's work, which will be shared with the student and with his or her sending Institution.

10. Each sending Institution will provide a pre-departure orientation for students participating in the exchange program that will include a summary of the relevant provisions of this Agreement.

11. Each host Institution will provide a post-arrival orientation for students participating in the exchange program to provide guidance on the programs, policies, and regulations of the host Institution and the laws and customs of the host country.

12. Upon completion of the academic semester, the host Institution will send an academic transcript to the sending Institution for each exchange student. At any time during the semester, upon written request of the sending Institution, the host Institution will forward to the sending institution any academic or other records relating to an exchange student. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring the host Institution to keep academic records for exchange students which differ from those customarily maintained by the host Institution for its own students, unless otherwise provided by a special protocol.

13. Each student participating in the exchange program shall abide by all policies and regulations of the host Institution.

14. The host Institution shall have the right to terminate the participation of any student in the exchange program, and in any other program, service, or benefit of the host Institution, if at any time the student's academic work or behavior is judged unacceptable or unsuitable by the host Institution. Whenever practicable, termination of a student by the host Institution will be carried out in consultation with the sending Institution.

15. Each student participating in the exchange program will pay tuition (if applicable) and fees to such student's sending Institution. Students will keep the scholarships awarded them by their sending Institutions.

16. In exchange for its students' participation in the exchange program, the host Institution will not require payment of application, academic, admission and other fees normally required of (non-degree) special visiting students. Students will have no teaching obligations, either at NYU or at SUM, but students from SUM may, subject to

legal requirements, be eligible to teach one Italian language course as adjunct instructors to supplement their earnings while in New York. All such teaching by students from SUM would be on a strictly voluntary basis and subject to approval by the NYU Department of Italian Studies faculty.

17. All personal and living expenses, including without limitation room and board, textbooks and supplies, round-trip international travel and travel while in the host country, will be the personal responsibility of the exchange student.

18. To be eligible to participate in the exchange program, each exchange student must purchase the medical insurance required by the host Institution or demonstrate to the satisfaction of the host Institution that medical insurance carried by or on behalf of that student is sufficient for the purposes of the host Institution. The cost of any medical insurance required hereunder as well as any medical expenses not covered by such insurance will be the personal responsibility of the exchange student.

Article 4

In the event that any of the activities contemplated under this Agreement require the allocation of funds, the parties shall consult with one another and, upon further agreement as to the need and amount of such funds, shall seek to obtain funding from internal and external sources. The parties shall, as a general matter, assist each other in obtaining funding for their programs from international and regional governmental and private sources.

Article 5

This Agreement will be of 3 years duration. Any modification of this Agreement requires the written approval of both Institutions.

This Agreement may be renewed, subject to the written approval of both Institutions.

The exchanges provided for in this Agreement would be first implemented in the 2007-8 academic year. Should one of the institutions not participate in the exchange in a given year, such institution is still required to fulfill its obligations toward the other institution.

Either party may decide to terminate the Agreement by submitting a written termination notice to the other party at least one month prior to the deadline for choosing candidates for the next exchange. No such notice of termination shall affect any student then involved in an exchange.

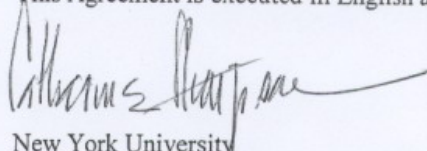
The persons in charge of administering the cooperation under this Agreement will be:

Professor Ruth Ben-Ghiat, Chair, Department of Italian Studies, NYU; and
Professor Aldo Schiavone, Director, SUM.

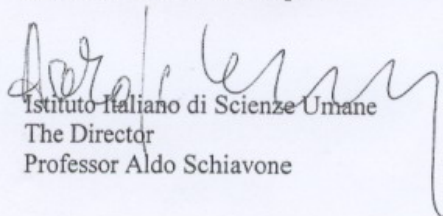
Article 6

Each Institution agrees that, in connection with the evaluation and admission of students to any exchange program and the administration of such program and all other collaborative activities conducted under this Agreement, such Institution shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital or parental status, national origin, citizenship status, or disability.

This Agreement is executed in English and in Italian and both shall be equally valid.



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