ITALIAN, PH.D.

ADMISSIONS

Please consult the table below for key information about this degree program’s admissions requirements. The program may have more detailed admissions requirements, which can be found below the table or on the program’s website. Graduate admissions is a two-step process between academic programs and the Graduate School. Applicants must meet the minimum requirements [1](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/) of the Graduate School as well as the program(s).

Once you have researched the graduate program(s) you are interested in, apply online [2](https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/).

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<td>Every applicant whose native language is not English or whose undergraduate instruction was not in English must provide an English proficiency test score and meet the Graduate School minimum requirements <a href="https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/#english-proficiency">3</a>.</td>
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Please Note: If you have received only a bachelor’s degree and intend to go on to a Ph.D. after completing your M.A., please apply directly to the Ph.D. program.

We hope you will consider applying to our program. We offer an M.A. and Ph.D. in Italian.

Applicants for the M.A. or Ph.D. in Italian must submit all application materials by the application deadline of December 20. International students may have different deadlines due to the extra processing time required for visas and I–20 or IAP–66 forms. Please refer to International Student Services [4](http://iss.wisc.edu/students/) for more information.

Graduate School Application

Please refer to the following links:

- Consult the Graduate School [5](http://www.wisc.edu/grad/) website for complete information about graduate education opportunities at UW–Madison. This site is especially helpful in understanding Admissions Requirements [6](http://grad.wisc.edu/admissions/requirements/) and developing a Timeline [7](http://grad.wisc.edu/admissions/process/) for application.

Materials to Upload to the Online Application:

- You will need to list three people who will write letters of recommendation [8](https://grad.wisc.edu/admissions/faq/) for you.

They should be in faculty or permanent academic staff positions.

Since the Graduate School will contact your recommenders directly via e-mail once you have completed your online application, you should be sure to contact each recommender at least a month prior to when the letter of recommendation is needed to let them know that they will be contacted directly by the Graduate School. If your referees are unable to upload your letter of recommendation to the online application, the letters should be sent to the Graduate Coordinator at ramer2@wisc.edu.

- Statement of purpose, preferably written in English
- CV
- Unofficial transcripts
- Submit the online Graduate School Application for Admission [9](https://apply.grad.wisc.edu/Account/Login/?ReturnUrl=%2f) and pay the application fee.
- GRE [10](http://www.gre.org/) (optional) institution code 1846 for UW–Madison
- Non-native English speakers must also submit results for the TOEFL [11](http://toefl.org/) or IELTS [12](https://www.ielts.org/en-us/) exams. There are few exceptions. Please note that the Graduate School requires that these scores be no older than 2 years old. This is calculated from the start of the term for which you are applying, NOT the date on which we receive your application.

Supplemental materials:

- TA/Fellowship Application: To be considered for teaching assistantship or fellowship support, you must submit to the department a document listing all relevant experience since you began studying Italian. There is no specific application form—it is a document, much like a CV, that you put together yourself. Include travel, study, or residence abroad. For teaching experience, be specific about subject, level, actual classroom hours/week, and age of students. Also indicate undergraduate and graduate honors, and how you would support yourself if UW was not able to offer support.
- Writing sample (essay or paper in Italian—usually between 7 and 12 pages in length)

Questions? Please contact Graduate Coordinator Shawn Ramer (ramer2@wisc.edu).