

As a general rule non-EU students entering Italy must apply for a student visa at the Italian Embassy or Consulate in the country where they are resident.

There are two types of student visas in Italy, depending on the duration of the study program.

- Visa type C: Short-stay visa or travel visa valid for one or more entries and for a period not exceeding 90 days
- Visa type D: Long-stay visa valid for more than 90 days

In case of a Visa type D, students must apply for a Resident Permit within 8 days from their entry.

Some exceptions apply when students have already obtained another Schengen Study Visa (for 1 year) and have a regular Resident Permit in another EU country. In this case, they can enter Italy for 90 days without applying for an entry visa. For longer stays they will still need to apply for the Visa type D and for the Resident Permit. Other exceptions apply to students with some non-EU nationalities. Considering the exceptions, students are recommended to get in contact with the LUMSA's International Student Office (international.admissions@lumsa.it) and the Post Lauream Office (perfezionamento@lumsa.it) as soon as they decide to come to Italy and are also recommended to contact the Italian Embassy or Consulate in their country

See also: http://www.lumsa.it/en/international_prospective_admission (“arrival in Italy”).