

Legalization of documents

The requirements for the legalization of documents differ from country to country. There are four main country categories (see the following list):

CAT. A - Documents from these countries do not require legalization.

CAT. B - Documents from these countries do not necessarily need a consular/diplomatic stamp from the Italian Embassy, **but require an Apostille stamp**: In accordance with [the Hague Convention of 1961](#), documents issued by local authorities in these countries are exempted from the need of legalization at the Italian Embassy, **but must have** an Apostille as specified by article 6 of the mentioned Convention.

CAT. C – As specified in the [Ministry of University and Research Decree no. 344 of 8th April 2022](#)), **the financial documentation, for students coming from these countries, is declared by a statement from the Italian Representative Authority in their Country of origin** attesting that the student does not belong to a well-known high-income family of high social status. This statement may also be issued by the university where the student is enrolled if it has agreements or conventions with Italian universities, or by Italian authorities that are legally authorized to provide guarantees of financial cover for foreign student enrolments in Italian universities. In the latter case, the certifying authority is responsible for reimbursing the scholarship on behalf of the student in case of its forfeiture.

CAT. D – All countries not included in group A, B or C: All students from countries that are not included in the categories above must have their official documents legalized by the Italian Embassy or Consulate in their country of origin.

Political Refugees

Students with recognized political refugee status do not need to provide any foreign documentation from their country of origin. However, these students must obtain an ISEE statement for the purpose of University welfare services and benefits (ISEE University) with respect to their family unit registered in Italy. A copy of the student's certificate of political refugee status must also be attached to the application.

LIST OF COUNTRIES FOR THE LEGALIZATION OF DOCUMENTS

CAT.	COUNTRY
C	Afghanistan
B	Albania
B	Andorra
C	Angola
B	Anguilla
B	Antigua and Barbuda
B	Argentina
B	Armenia
A	Aruba
B	Australia
A	Austria
B	Azerbaijan
B	Bahamas
B	Bahrain
C	Bangladesh
B	Barbados
B	Belarus
A	Belgium
B	Belize
C	Benin
B	Bermuda
C	Bhutan
B	Bolivia
B	Bosnia-and Herzegovina
B	Botswana
B	Brazil
B	British Antarctic Territory
B	British Virgin Islands
B	Brunei Darussalam
B	Bulgaria
C	Burkina Faso
C-B	Burundi
B	Cabo Verde
C	Cambodia
B	Cayman Islands
C	Central African Republic
C	Chad
B	Chile
B	China (Hong Kong and Macao only)
B	Colombia
C	Comoros
B	Cook Islands
B	Costa Rica

CAT.	COUNTRY
A	Croatia
A	Cyprus
A	Czech Republic
A	Denmark
C	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
C	Democratic Republic of the Congo
C	Djibouti
B	Dominica
B	Dominican Republic
B	Ecuador
B	El Salvador
C	Eritrea
A	Estonia
C	Ethiopia
B	eSwatini - Swaziland
B	Falkland
B	Fiji
A	Finland
A	France
B	French Polynesia
C	Gambia
B	Georgia
A	Germany
B	Gibraltar
A	Greece
B	Grenada
B	Guadalupe
B	Guatemala
B	Guernsey
C	Guinea
C	Guinea-Bissau
B	Guyana
B	Honduras
A	Hungary
B	Iceland
C	Haiti
B	India
B	Indonesia
A	Ireland
B	Israel
B	Jamaica
B	Japan
B	Jersey

CAT.	COUNTRY
B	Kazakhstan
C	Kiribati
B	Kyrgyzstan
C	Lao People's Democratic Republic
A	Latvia
C-B	Lesotho
C-B	Liberia
A	Liechtenstein
A	Lithuania
A	Luxemburg
C	Madagascar
C-B	Malawi
C	Mali
A	Malta
C	Mauritania
B	Mauritius
B	Mexico
B	Miquelon
B	Monaco
B	Mongolia
B	Montenegro
B	Montserrat
B	Morocco
C	Mozambique
C	Myanmar
B	Namibia
A	Netherlands
A	Netherlands Antilles
B	New Zealand
C	Nepal
B	Nicaragua
C	Niger
B	North Macedonia
A	Norway
B	Oman
B	Palau
B	Panama
B	Paraguay
B	Peru
B	Philippines
A	Poland
A	Portugal
B	Republic of Korea
B	Republic of Moldova

CAT.	COUNTRY
A	Romania
C	Ruanda
B	Russian Federation
B	Saint Kitts and Nevis
B	Saint Lucia
B	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
B	Samoa
A	San Marino
C	Sao Tome and Principe
B	Saudi Arabia
C	Senegal
B	Serbia
B	Seychelles
C	Sierra Leone
B	Singapore
A	Slovakia
A	Slovenia
C	Solomon Islands
C	Somalia
B	South Africa
C	South Sudan
A	Spain
C	Sudan
A	Sweden
A	Switzerland
C	Syrian Arab Republic
B	Tajikistan
C	Tanzania
C	Timor east
C	Togo
B	Tonga
B	Trinidad e Tobago
B	Tunisia
A	Turkey
C	Tuvalu
C	Uganda
B	Ukraine
B	United Kingdom
B	United States of America
B	Uruguay
B	Uzbekistan
B	Vanuatu
B	Venezuela
C	Yemen

CAT.	COUNTRY
C	Zambia