Italian, Sykes Fund

Purpose: Internships, dissertation research, research or other projects related to German and Germany

Eligibility: Students studying Italian in Modern and Medieval Languages and History and Modern Languages

Deadline: March 31st

Supporting Statement From: DoS and Tutor

The College has recently received a gift from an alumnus to support undergraduates studying Italian. These funds are intended primarily to support academically-related travel but may also occasionally be used for other purposes.

The fund has been established to promote Italian studies in the fields of language, literature and culture. The fund is open to undergraduates studying Italian and who intend to visit Italy, for whatever purposes including research and study. Those wishing to be considered for an award from the fund should complete the application form and send it to their Tutor. The Tutor will then forward the application to the Senior Tutor. The application must contain an outline of the proposed project and its relevance to your academic interest in Italy. It is not anticipated that grants will be awarded to fund routine year-abroad travel to or within Italy undertaken as a compulsory part of the MML Tripos. However, trips to set up a year abroad placement or return visits to YA destinations in order to complete an academic project may be considered.

Awards from the fund will usually be made towards such things as:

* Italian language courses undertaken for academic purposes
* dissertation projects;
* travel that relates directly to a student’s studies but which is not strictly project related;
* travel to Italy to learn or improve the student’s Italian;
* essential course-related expenditure relating to Italy;

In planning any travel associated with your application, please follow the College’s [Sustainable Travel Policy](https://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/sites/default/files/assets/about/Policy%20approval%20by%20CC%20-%20Sustainable%20Travel%20Policy%20(002).pdf).

[To apply, please submit the application form](http://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/grant-application/). It may not be necessary to compete all elements for the form, but please give as much detail as possible. The application should provide some details of any travel, language course, dissertation research, resources, other equipment, source materials or other relevant expenses. You should include a statement of your proposed expenditure and a one or two paragraph account of the project and how you would benefit from receiving funds.

The deadline for applications is the end of the Lent Term. Please ensure that your application is submitted by March 22nd. If funds remain unspent, there will be a second round in the Easter Term. Decisions on funding will be taken by the Senior Tutor and the Director of Studies in Italian, in consultation with other MML Directors of Studies.

It is anticipated that sums in the hundreds of pounds may be available to those who demonstrate a need. Priority will be given to those whose application relates to a specific project rather than general need.