

**SUMMER SCHOOLS**  
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**Swiss Institute in Rome**

**Call for proposals**

Since the late 1940s, the Swiss Institute in Rome (*Istituto Svizzero di Roma - ISR*) has welcomed artists and researchers to pursue their research activities and hone their skills in the Eternal City. Every year, the Swiss Institute in Rome continues to welcome twelve artists and researchers for that purpose, in addition to its fostering and facilitating of cultural and scientific exchange between Switzerland and Italy.

As part of its extended portfolio of activities, the Swiss Institute in Rome will also be welcoming “summer schools” at Villa Maraini, its stunning venue in the heart of Rome. Summer school projects from all disciplines are welcome provided that they shall 1) offer its participants a new perspective on Rome or Italy more broadly, and/or 2) foster interdisciplinary art-science collaboration. Therefore, the Swiss Institute in Rome, in agreement with swissuniversities, the Rectors’ Conference of Swiss Higher Education Institutions, is now launching a *call for proposals* of “summer school” projects for 2018.

Proposals (described on max. 3 pages) should include a title and a thematic abstract, a well-argued statement of relevance (related to Rome, Italy and/or interdisciplinary art-science collaboration), an indication of the number and kind of participants, the names of the organizers and their institutional affiliations, as well as a budget plan ([please use this application form](#)).

**Project’s evaluation**

Submitted projects will be evaluated and selected within the collaboration between swissuniversities and the Swiss Institute in Rome, through a common jury.

**Admission requirements for “summer school” projects**

*Participants:*

- Swiss Universities: PhD students coming from a Swiss university or a partner university;
- Swiss Universities of applied sciences (UAS): masters students coming from a UAS or a partner UAS;
- Swiss Universities of teacher education (UTE): masters students coming from a UTE or a partner UTE;

Some places must be assigned to Italian research fellows coming from Italian partner Universities of ISR or research fellows suggested by the applying University/ UAS / UTE.

*Disciplines:*

Disciplines in the humanities or social & natural sciences, architecture, art or any disciplines with a multidisciplinary approach, especially art-science, on a subject.

*Themes:*

Themes related to Rome, to Italy or to the Roman heritage and/or research themes combining art and science with a multidisciplinary or interdisciplinary approach. The themes proposed must represent an added value for the “delocalization” of a summer school to Rome.

*Duration and period:*

- A full week from Monday to Saturday included, or 6 days, 7 nights maximum.
- Dates from the 9<sup>th</sup> July to the 5<sup>th</sup> August and from the 27<sup>th</sup> August to the 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

*Application :*

Submission of application form with all requested annexes (in English, French, German or Italian), before December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 to the following address: [summerschools@istitutosvizzero.it](mailto:summerschools@istitutosvizzero.it).

**Services offered by ISR or available**

- Seminar room and conference basic equipment / simple (stair top, lecterns, screen, projection / simple sound equipment);
- Accommodation for 12 research fellows in single rooms or for 20 research fellows sharing double rooms and for 4 to 5 speakers/professors in single rooms in Villa Maraini ;
- Organization of a daily lunch in the Villa, costs to be paid by the University / UAS / UTE (ask price list to plan) ;
- Organization and service for the coffee breaks;
- Possibility of organizing a small final event, eventually open to the public or on invitation;
- Opportunity of using the garden for common suppers in the evening (costs to be paid by the University / UAS / UTE; ask price list to plan) ;
- Possibility to have at disposal one or two additional working rooms for groups, a guided tour of the house;
- Contacts with Italian speakers taken by ISR on demand, co-preparation of the contents, participation of an ISR direction member to the process of selection (if needed) ;
- Selection of possible Italian participants.

**Services at the expense of University /UAS/UTE**

- Travels and transfers;
- Conceptualization and organization of the summer school ;
- Fees for speakers and assistants, all other expenses for speakers and assistants, costs of selection of the participants to the summer school;
- Meals (organized by ISR/ price list on demand) ;
- Participation to the costs of coffee breaks, breakfasts, and lunches at modest prices, suppers and final event/evening (organised on demand by ISR but at the expense of the University / UAS/ UTE) ;
- Additional technical equipment and staff (organised eventually on demand by ISR but at the expense of the University /UAS/ UTE) ;
- Translation, supports for the courses;
- Guided tours in relevant Roman sites.

**Schedule**

Launch of the call for proposals: 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Deadline for applications: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017

December 2017 – February 2018: evaluation of the proposals

End of February: Decision on the two selected projects

March / April 2018: Selection of the summer school's participants by the University / UAS/ UTE

April / June 2018: Organization / Planning of the summer school

Summer 2018: Start of the summer school

**Contact**

For further information, please contact: [direzione@istitutosvizzero.it](mailto:direzione@istitutosvizzero.it).