

Call for Applications

Romeyne Robert and Uguccione Sorbello Fellowship Grant

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The **Romeyne Robert and Uguccione Sorbello Fellowship Grant** supports high-quality research exploring the historical, political, economic, and cultural relationships between Italy and the United States. Particular attention is given to public and private networks, institutions, and individuals involved in these transatlantic exchanges. The fellowship seeks to advance and bring visibility to innovative scholarship on U.S.–Italy relations and broader issues of cultural exchange. Honoring the legacy of **Romeyne Robert and Uguccione Ranieri di Sorbello**, the grant will be awarded to researchers of any nationality pursuing projects that explore (but are not limited to) the following topics:

- Political, social, and economic relations between Italy and the United States
- Cultural diplomacy and the promotion of Italian language and culture in the U.S.
- Literary and artistic exchanges between Italy and the U.S.
- Women's entrepreneurship and empowerment through education

Funded research must lead to original scholarly work, such as an academic article, book chapter, or full-length manuscript. The **John D. Calandra Italian American Institute** retains first rights of acceptance for potential publication.

To be eligible, applicants must hold a doctoral degree (PhD) in the social sciences, economics, humanities, or fine arts from an accredited institution.

The **Romeyne Robert and Uguccione Sorbello Fellowship Grant Selection Committee** particularly welcomes applications from postdoctoral researchers and early-career scholars who are developing innovative and impactful research in the field of U.S.–Italy studies.

Application Guidelines

Applicants must submit the following materials in **PDF format**, compiled in a **single folder**, to the email address fellowship@sorbellofoundation.org:

- **Curriculum Vitae** (1–2 pages)
- **Cover Letter** (1 page), outlining interest in the fellowship, how it aligns with current or future projects, and the skills the applicant brings to the fellowship
- **Project Description** (2–4 pages), including research objectives, methodology, and a timeline
- **Budget** outlining projected expenses
- **Statement of Academic Status**
- **Work Sample** (10–20 pages), demonstrating writing, research, and/or communication proficiency

Application Deadline is October 12, 2026

The fellowship offers up to **\$10,000**, disbursed in three installments.

The fellowship duration is **up to 15 months** from the date of appointment. A **research progress report** must be submitted to the Fellowship Coordinator after six months. Final research deliverables are due within the 15-month period.

The selected fellow will also be **invited to present their research at the biennial Sorbello Conference**, organized by the promoting and partner institutions, offering a valuable opportunity for scholarly exchange and public visibility.

All applications will be evaluated by a **selection committee** composed of representatives from the partner institutions. The final research product will be reviewed by experts appointed by the committee.

Applicants will be considered without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, age, national origin, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, military status, or any other protected status.

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