

International University Admissions 2021/2022 & 2022/2023 Academic Years



Convitto Nazionale "Vittorio Emanuele II"

College Counseling Program

Dear friends and families,

Let us congratulate our Convitto students who achieved admission to extremely selective universities around the world.

International university admissions are very competitive for top ranked higher education institutions in the North America, United Kingdom, European Union and Asia.

The Convitto Nazionale "Vittorio Emanuele II" College Counseling program guides its students through the complexities of the international admissions process. Support for our students comes from dedicated professors, families and our network of current & former Convitto students, who take time away from their university studies and professional activities to help current applicants achieve their best.

Convitto Nazionale of Rome's students continue to achieve admission to many highly competitive universities. From the two graduating

classes of 2022 and 2023, more than fifty gifted students applied to international universities in the U.S.A, U.K., Holland, Spain and elsewhere.

The high cost of international higher education continues to be a major deterrent for families to consider the options of university studies outside of Italy. While financial aid, in the form of need-based scholarships has been available for international students, we have experienced a decline in the number of students obtaining these awards and the total amounts of such awards.

Sincerely,

Wolfgang Gerola

University Admissions Adviser & College Counseling

Some notable international destinations for Convitto students in 2022 & 2023



Student Achievements Congratulations to all our students!

So many students achieved remarkable results. Many of them have graduated **with honors** and received multiple offers. A few are highlighted below:

- Congratulations to **Giulia Alesse**, of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. She studies the English language program in International Relations at **SciencesPo** in Paris.
- Congratulations to **Alessia Barreca** of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. She was admitted to **Duke Kunshan University** with scholarship.
- Congratulations to **Amanda Caimi** of the Liceo Europeo 2023. Amanda begins **Georgetown University** next fall with scholarship.
- Congratulations to **Carlo Calvanico**, of the Liceo Internazionale 2023. Mathematics at the **University of St. Andrews**
- Congratulations to **Edoardo Gargiulo** of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. Graduating top of his class CUM LAUDE, he studies Mathematics at **New York University**.
- Congratulations to **Giulio Cesare Graziani**, of the Liceo Europeo 2022. He studies Political Science and International Relations at the prestigious dual campus program of **UCL-SciencesPo**.

Admission offers for the classes of 2022 & 2023:

United Kingdom

Our students were offered conditional admissions to the following universities in the United Kingdom:

- **University of St. Andrews** (1)
- **Imperial College of London** (1)
- **University of Warwick** (1)
- **UCL - University College London** (3)
- **King's College of London** (4)
- **University of Bath** (2)
- **University of Essex** (1)
- **University of Manchester** (1)
- **Queen Mary University of London** (4)

United States of America & Canada

Our students were offered admission to the following universities in the United States and Canada:

- **Georgetown University** (1)
- **University of Virginia** (1)
- **Boston University** (2)
- **New York University** (1)
- **University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill** (1)
- **George Washington University** (1)
- **University of California at San Diego** (1)
- **University of California at Davis** (1)
- **University of California at Santa Barbara**(1)
- **University of Southern California** (1)
- **Northeastern University** (3)
- **University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada** (1)

U.S. programs - International campuses

The Liceo Scientifico Internazionale students were offered places at the following U.S. degree programs in the Middle East and Asia.

- **Duke Kunshan University** (3)
- **New York University at Shanghai** (3)

2022 & 2023 Admission offers (continued):

Student Achievements (Continued)

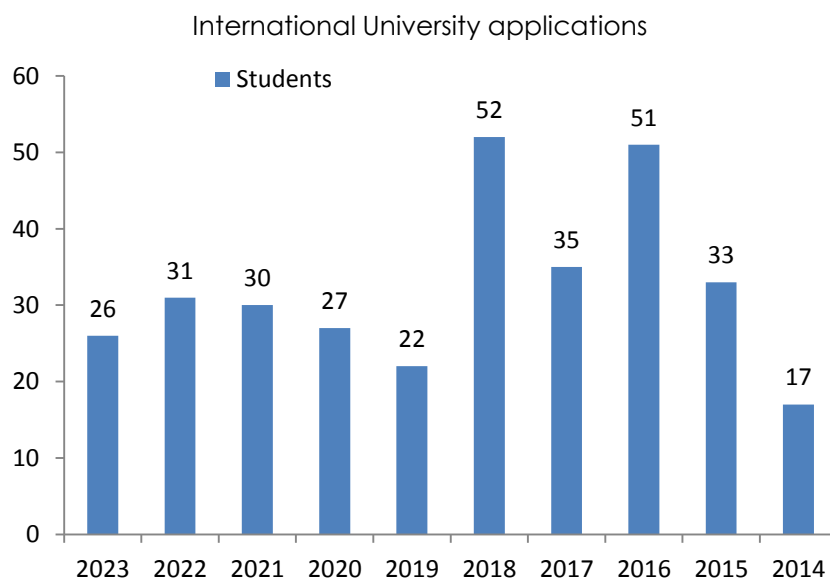
- Congratulations to **Emanuele Militello** of the Liceo Classico 2022. Emanuele was admitted to **George Washington University** in Washington, DC studying Business and Art History.
- Congratulations to **Ludovica Pujia** of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. Ludovica attends **Boston University**.
- Congratulations to **Maria Oliva Razza**, of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. She was admitted to **Duke Kunshan University** with scholarship.
- Congratulations to **Gemma Zhou**, of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. Gemma studies Computer Sciences & Electrical Engineering at the **University of Virginia**.
- Congratulations to **Tommaso Zucchinalli**, of the Liceo Internazionale 2022. Tommaso studies in Environmental Economics at the **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**.

European Union destinations

Our students were offered admissions to the following English language university programs in the European Union:

- **SciencesPo** (2)
- **Maastricht University** (6)
- **Amsterdam University** (1)
- **IE University in Spain** (1)
- **Rotterdam University** (1)
- **Erasmus University** (1)

Applications to university programs outside of Italy



The 2022 & 2023 international applicant cohorts

Destinations

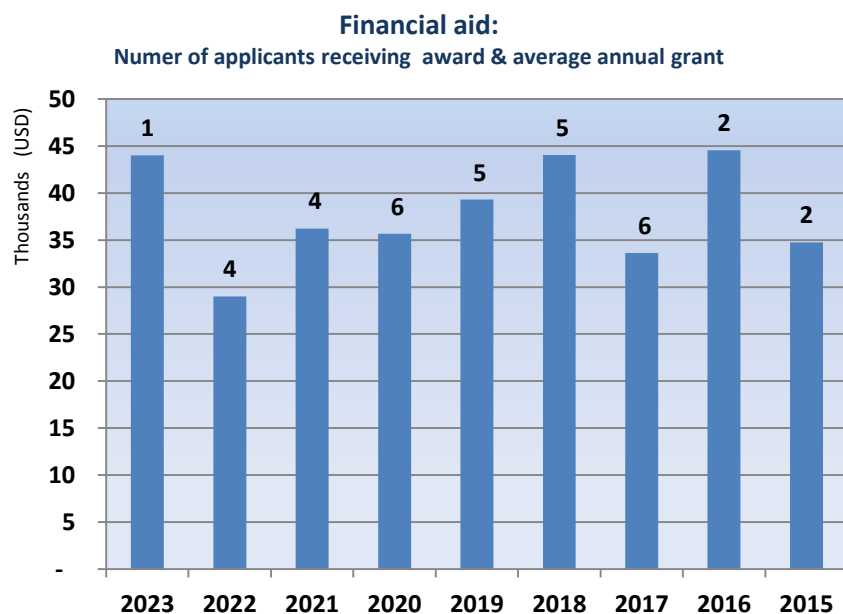
Applications to the United States have been the most dominant intended destination of the last two academic years. Matriculation to these universities, however, has gone below expectations. Once the overall financial burden has been evaluated, with or without some form of financial need based scholarships, some families have declined the offers from the U.S. University destinations. English Language programs within the European Union, such as Holland, France and Spain have been strong alternative destinations for 2022 & 2023. UK university applicants from the Convitto, have significantly declined over the past two years. Outside of the EU with increased tuition for EU applicants remains a major factor for the drop in UK applicants. Additionally, all students applying to UK have also applied to US and EU destinations. Since China has remained closed to foreigners, applications to university programs with international campuses, such as China, have dropped significantly as target destinations for Convitto students in 2022 and in particular in 2023.

Scholarships & Financial Aid

Need based and merit **scholarships** awards have declined compared to previous years. Few students who apply for financial aid are successful. Of the total applicants in 2022 & 2023, 5 students have received some form of scholarship award, down 50% from 2020 & 2021. In 2023, only one student was awarded a scholarship. The nine year **average scholarship** for successful students **ranges from \$20,000 to \$36,000 annually**, which includes tuition, accommodation, health care and other costs.

Lyceums

A majority of students who applied to international universities came from the *Liceo Internazionale* while applicants from the *Liceo Scientifico*, *Classico* and *Europeo* were distributed more or less evenly. Applicants from the *Liceo Coreutico/Liceo Sportivo* are occasional.



Important deadlines for 2023-2024 Academic Year

Please check carefully for university specific requirements

October 16, 2023

Application deadline for Oxford, Cambridge, medicine, dentistry in U.K. See www.ucas.com

November 1, 2023

Early decision application deadline for most U.S. universities

January 1-5, 2024

Regular decision deadlines for many U.S. universities

January 31, 2024

UCAS deadlines for universities in the United Kingdom.

Standardized Testing **SAT/ACT** remains optional for many U.S. universities.

English language certifications (IELTS, TOEFL, etc) are obligatory for all international universities. We strongly advise candidates these be completed before application deadlines.

University visits and student-organized orientations

Former students return to assist with the Convitto's International University Orientation Workshop



Former students: **Michele Orlandi, Ludovica Puija, Jacky Zeng and Tommaso Zucchinalli** return to Convitto to discuss their experiences and offer advice to younger prospective applicants.

University visits to the Convitto are an important opportunity to learn about specific universities and meet directly with university admissions. This year, the Convitto Nazionale was visited by representatives from **New York University** to present The global **NYU, NYUShanghai** and **NYUAD** programs.

Parents and students are usually treated to the University workshops organized by the graduating 5th year students who applied to U.S., U.K. and EU universities. These events are wholly managed by our graduating seniors. They include their own personal stories, advice on how to research and choose international higher education programs, preparation techniques, and essay writing tips, letters of reference, scheduling around their academic curriculum, and developing unique application profiles which include work, volunteer and extracurricular activities.

The “Workshop” - our student’s network

Our students have an informal support network of Convitto alumni who have gone through the admissions process. There are more than 200 students on the “Workshop” network at present from around the world. Some are working professionals; others are currently studying at universities around the world. Students can field questions, concerns and ideas, and receive advice from current university students. They can share their essays and personal statements, and receive support from experienced alumni.



Matilde Molinari-Gigletti and Giorgio Battaglia join orientation with unique insights on building their curriculum through university experience.



From left : **Ginevra Cecconi, Amanda Caimi and Carlo Calvanico** lead the orientation held in Auditorium.

We wish the best to our graduating students and look forward to assisting our rising 5th-year seniors for the 2023-2024 application cycle!

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