



## & “English for Everybody” (Brescia, Italy)

Are you interested in a **paid** position in Italy? Consider applying to become an **English language assistant** in public schools throughout the province of Brescia, Lombardy, Italy. The “English for Everybody” Program was created 10 years ago as a collaboration between a network of public schools in the province of Brescia, Italy, and the Universities of Oxford, Bath and Cardiff in the UK. Now in its second year in collaboration with UGA, this program will allow up to four UGA students the chance to deepen their knowledge of the Italian language and understanding of Italy’s culture and people while assisting Italian teachers in local public schools.

The duties will primarily consist of assisting teachers during their English lessons. The English language assistants will also be asked to prepare lessons in English on other subject matters (such as History or Geography). For these activities, the teachers collaborate actively by providing suggestions, materials, and help with planning the lessons. Assistants will be introduced to Italian teaching methods for reading and writing, which employ the CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning\*\*) methodology. The “English for Everybody” program offers an excellent opportunity for undergraduate students or recent graduates. It is, however, an intercultural experience and can be challenging. Candidates must be flexible, independent, have the skills to self-train and self-study, along with the willingness and ability to challenge themselves.



***Is the program something for you?***

• Those who apply to this position must have the following characteristics:

- A native English speaker, and have completed some study of language and/or linguistics;
- Demonstrate excellent interpersonal skills with children and adults;

- Have a predisposition to work in a school setting (collaborate with teachers, and demonstrated seriousness in preparing English lessons and other educational subjects);
- Be flexible and have the capacity to problem solve; be reliable and dependable for your advisor teacher at the school;
- Be willing to live with a family and value it as an important experience both linguistically and culturally. -Demonstrate the ability and desire to form cordial relationships with the host family and colleagues at the school..
- Room and board are included at no cost to the student contingent upon the student conforming to behavioral and interpersonal expectations both within the host family and the school placement.

• **The program offers:**

- A serious and rewarding intercultural, professional and linguistic experience;
- The assistant creates contacts with educational professionals, but also with other students who find the environment educational, dynamic and stimulating;
- An advisor within the school will be assigned to each English assistant and be available to help with any difficulties;
  - The assistant will become acquainted with one or two Italian families, who host them voluntarily and without compensation. The assistant will become a part of the family and needs to act responsibly and respectfully.
- A monthly stipend of 800 € (paid in 3 monthly stipends)
- The job consists of 240 hours (approx. 20/week) working in the classroom (plus the hours of preparing the lesson plans)
- The assistant will be provided with insurance for the activities that take place at the school. For those who are not citizens of the European Union, you will need to purchase health insurance to cover eventual/possible medical costs through the Office of International Education @ UGA.

- To apply for an assistantship please complete the following and submit via email to:

Dr. Paola De Santo ([desanto@uga.edu](mailto:desanto@uga.edu)) by **TBD**:

1. A statement (in English or Italian) indicating:

- Reasons this program interests you;
- Demonstrated ability and willingness to comply with all the requirements;
- Your desire to live with an Italian family, and act responsibly in that environment;
- Evidence of inclination for teaching and/or interacting successfully with people of diverse cultural backgrounds;
- Knowledge of Italian, including all UGA ITAL courses taken and grades received in those courses.
- Other foreign language or linguistics study;
- Any teaching/supervisory experience with children and/or adults;
- The ways in which this program will be beneficial to your future educational and/or career goals;
- Your availability to participate in the program during the following sessions: September-December 2022, or March – May 2023.
- Please indicate your availability for a potential interview on **TBD**

2. Recommendations:

- One letter of recommendation from an UGA instructor, preferably of Italian, in which s/he addresses both your academic aptitude and interpersonal skills.
- The name and contact information (phone and email) of a personal reference who will be able to attest to your suitability (in terms of both character, sense of responsibility and sociability) for the academic aspects of the program, and host family living situation,

If you have any questions about the program, Dr. De Santo welcomes your queries via email: [desanto@uga.edu](mailto:desanto@uga.edu)

*\*\*For more information on the CLIL teaching method, visit this website organized by SITE program: <http://siteprogram.wixsite.com/site/teaching-resources>*