La Casa Italiana: Academic Theme Associate  
Position Description & Application Questions

**Job Description Summary:**

Every week the ATA sets up Tavola Italiana, invites and greets Italian-speaking guests and encourages Italian conversation, and stays to clean up afterwards. The ATA also helps the GTA prepare the house seminar each week, including set up and clean up when required, and is expected to run a seminar in the Winter and/or Spring. In the Winter, the ATA acts as Stage Manager for the House Play in Italian or as principal director of the Italian Performances and Presentations Seminar. The ATA must also organize occasional Wine and Cheese events each quarter (including shopping, setting up, running, and cleaning), along with other theme events of the ATA’s choosing. In the past such events have included: cooking classes, trips to the opera, and trips to film festivals. Together with the Social Manager and Kitchen Manager, the ATA helps coordinate Pizzeria each quarter. The ATA should maintain communication between the Italian department professors and the Italian house. The job requires serious commitment to the academic theme and an advanced speaking knowledge of Italian: the ATA must seek to inspire residents to learn about Italy and Italians. See below for a general ATA job description provided by Residential Education and a short bio of the GTA.

**Questions:** please respond to each question IN ITALIAN in no more than 500 words.

1. Descrivi le tue esperienze con la lingua e la cultura italiana. Come hai cultivato il tuo interesse per l’Italia durante il periodo a Stanford e prima? Quali sono stati i corsi, i lavori, e i periodi all’estero che hanno contribuito al tuo interesse in Italia?

2. Quali qualità porteresti alla posizione di ATA? Essendo una parte dello staff, dovrai anche assistere nella preparazione e nella organizzazione degli eventi (Special Dinner, study breaks, etc.). Quale ruolo assumeresti sullo staff?

3. Descrivi i diversi tipi di attività culturali e linguistiche che programmeresti per l’anno prossimo. Come useresti le risorse della Casa Italiana edell’università? Come attrarresti i residenti a partecipare?

4. Quali individuali o gruppi invitaresti alla Casa Italiana per gli eventi culturali? Come rinnoveresti il seminario della Casa Italiana?