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# **University of Verona** International Master's degree programmes a.y. 2024/2025

Call for applications for pre-admissions and for the awarding of 33 student support and benefits for non-EU students holding a foreign degree, residing in a non-EU country, and applying for an International Master's degree at the University of Verona for a.y. 2024/2025

## Art. 1 – Pre-admissions

The University of Verona hereby announces a public selection for pre-admissions to International Master's degree programmes for non-EU students holding a foreign academic degree and residing in a non-EU country.

A maximum of 3,000 applications shall be accepted, as follows:

International Master's degrees	Max. number of applications accepted
Artificial Intelligence	335
Biology for Translational Research and Precision Medicine	140
Computer Engineering for Intelligent Systems (formerly Computer Engineering for Robotics and Smart Industry)	315
Data Science	455
Economics and Data Analysis	235
International Economics and Business	550
Languages, Literatures and Digital Culture	155
Linguistics	195
Mathematics	140
Medical Bioinformatics	140
Molecular and Medical Biotechnology	340
TOTAL	3,000

Applications exceeding the 3,000 threshold will be kept by the University with the possibility of being evaluated later on the basis of the results of the processed applications.

Successful candidates will be provided with a "pre-admission letter" which will be necessary to start the enrolment procedures.

Eligible candidates for the academic year 2023/24 who have not enrolled in time due to a delay in the issue of their visa will not be counted towards the 3,000 threshold, provided that they are in possession of a valid visa and have not yet arrived in Italy.

#### Art. 2 – Admissions requirements

1. Candidates must meet the following requirements in order to take part in the selection process:

- a) a Bachelor's degree (minimum), or foreign equivalent gualification;
- b) knowledge of the English language and/or other foreign language at the level required for each degree programme, as set out in Annex 1;
- c) additional specific requirements may apply depending on each degree programme, as specified





2. A qualification is considered suitable if its *curriculum* includes the knowledge and skills relevant to the subject areas included in the table of admissions requirements and evaluation criteria (<u>Annex 1</u>). The foreign qualification is considered suitable if it can be seen, by analysing the course of studies, that the programme provides the curricular education and necessary skills to admit the candidate to the specific Master's degree programme.

Students who are near to the completion of their degree programme may also apply, as long as they graduate by 30 June 2024.

3. Please note that admission requirements may vary depending on each Degree programme. Candidates are therefore recommended to carefully read Annex 1.

## Art. 3 – Applications

Applications in response to this Call must be made by completing the <u>online application form</u> attaching the following documents:

a) a scanned copy of your passport (please only send the pages relating to your personal information);

b) copy of your three-year university degree certificate<sup>1</sup>, or a certificate of enrolment which states the expected completion date;

c) academic transcript (in English) for the completed degree and for any postgraduate studies completed. This should include a list of all the modules/exams taken (*transcript of records o diploma supplement*) and, if possible, details of the ECTS credits gained, the weighted average, and reference range for minimum and maximum marks;

d) CV with study and work experience included, written in English (max. 2 pages);

e) cover letter (where requested);

f) certificate of English language competence, or other language certificates (where required)<sup>2</sup>. Please note: language certificates must have been obtained by the candidate at the time of applying;

g) other specific qualifications or documents relevant to the application (optional).

At the end of the application process, the system will issue a receipt confirming the submission of the application containing a sequential number based on the chronological order of submission.

Eligible candidates for the academic year 2023/24 who have not enrolled in time due to the delay in the issue of their visa but who are in possession of a valid visa<sup>3</sup> and have not yet arrived in Italy shall complete the application in a shortened form, attaching the following documents:

a. letter of pre-admission to the Degree programme 2023/24;

b. a valid visa.

#### Art. 4 – Pre-admissions - selection procedure

Applications will be evaluated up to the application threshold set for each degree programme, as set out in Art. 1.

Those whose applications exceed the 3,000 threshold will be informed that their application will not be evaluated at this stage and will be kept by the University for possible further evaluation. In the event that the applications in question are assessed, applicants will be notified in a timely manner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> When holding a two-year Bachelor's degree, please also include your Master's degree.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For candidates from Iran or Afghanistan, 'Duolingo' language certificates are also accepted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Visa must be valid at the time of enrolment for a.y. 2024/25 (excluding days for administrative procedures required by law).





Each Master's degree programme's Coordinator will check the applications received and consider only those which meet all the requirements specified in Article 2. Candidates will be informed via e-mail about the results of the selection procedure for pre-admissions by the dates – specific for each programme – set out in <u>Annex 1</u>.

#### Art. 5 – Pre-admissions - deadlines

1. Candidates must submit their application between 1 March 2024 and 30 March 2024 at **3.00 pm** (Italian time, GMT+1) as described in Art. 3. <u>Applications that are incomplete, missing the requested</u> attachments, submitted after the deadline or by any method other than that specified in Art. 3 will not be accepted.

2. Any technical problems related to filling out the application online should be **immediately** notified by sending an email to <u>admissions@ateneo.univr.it</u>.

#### Art. 6 – Student support and benefits

1. The University of Verona shall award no. **33 student support and benefits** for top candidates, as set out below:

International Master's Degree	Students support and benefits available
Artificial Intelligence	4
Biology for Translational Research and Precision Medicine	2
<u>Computer Engineering for Intelligent Systems</u> (formerly Computer Engineering for Robotics and Smart Industry	3
Data Science	4
Economics and Data Analysis	3
International Economics and Business	4
Languages, Literatures and Digital Culture	2
Linguistics	4
Mathematics	2
Medical Bioinformatics	2
Molecular and Medical Biotechnology	3
TOTAL	33

2. Student support and benefits, that have a duration of 12 months and cannot be combined with other scholarships for university study awarded by the University include accommodation at  $\underline{\mathsf{ESU}}$  student residences, exemption from tuition fees<sup>4</sup> and one free meal per day at the University canteen managed by ESU.

3. Successful candidates will be able to benefit from the **International Welcome Desk (IWD)** service offered by the University of Verona when needing help when dealing with permits of stay, bank accounts, tax ID no. and health insurance.

4. Please note: before coming to Italy, successful candidates from non-EU countries must ensure they have sufficient funds to support themselves for a minimum of  $\in$ 500 per month ( $\in$ 6,000 per year), which is mandatory for those applying for a visa.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Students are exempted from tuition fees but still required to pay the regional tax and stamp duty. As a rough indication, for the 2023-2024 academic year the related amount was 200 Euro per academic year.





5. Students who had been assigned a scholarship for the academic year 2023-2024 (ref: Call for application/Rector's Decrees no. 2262/2023 of 13 March 2023) and finally renounced, will not be able to apply.

6. Student support and benefits for a.y. 2024/2025 shall be granted to candidates for the academic year 2023/24 who have not enrolled in time due to the delay in the issue of their visa but who are in possession of a valid visa<sup>5</sup> and have not yet arrived in Italy.

#### Art. 7 – Application for student support and benefits - selection procedure

1. After the deadline of 30 March 2024, the Selection Committee of the Master's degree programme (see <u>Annex 1</u>) will evaluate the applications received, taking into account only those that passed the selection procedure for pre-admissions.

2. Candidates who obtain at least 60/100 as a final score will be considered eligible. Where two or more candidates have an equal score, priority will be given to the younger candidate. The student support and benefits will be awarded on the basis of the ranking list of eligible candidates in descending order of score, until all the funds available for each Degree programme are allocated.

### Art. 8 – Ranking list

The ranking list will be published in the University's Official Registry at <u>https://www.univr.it/it/albo-ufficiale</u> and the relevant <u>section</u> on the University's website **by 31 May 2024**, taking effect immediately.

#### Art. 9 – Confirming acceptance of the student support and benefits

1. Candidates who are awarded student support and benefits must confirm their acceptance within 7 days of the publication of the ranking list, following the instructions that will be provided, or the offer will be revoked.

Student support and benefits will also be withdrawn from those candidates who:

- fail to confirm their acceptance by the deadline set;
- fail to obtain the visa and complete the enrolment procedure by 16 October 2024.

2. Student support and benefits which become available due to candidate withdrawals will be reawarded to the next eligible candidates in the ranking list until **30 November 2024.** 

Applicants who fail to confirm their acceptance within the specified timeframe (i.e. 7 days from the email notification of the assignment), or those who have not obtained their visa and completed their enrolment by 30 November 2024 will be considered as withdrawing applicants.

#### Art. 10 - How to enrol

All eligible candidates (i.e. those who have passed the pre-admissions selection procedure and have been awarded the student support and benefits) will need to apply for a study visa at the local Italian Embassy or Consulate as soon as possible. Moreover, they will need to pre-enrol via the Universitaly website in order to complete their enrolment. For further information, please go to: http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/

Candidates will also need to submit the official translation and legalisation of the diploma and the declaration of value issued by the relevant Italian Embassy or Consulate. Please note that, in order to obtain a visa to enter Italy, pre-admission is compulsory.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Visa must be valid at the time of enrolment for a.y. 2024/25 (excluding days for administrative procedures required by law).



#### Art. 11 – Processing of personal data

Personal data provided by those who apply for student support and benefits under this Call are processed in accordance with EU Regulation 2016/679 (hereinafter the "Regulation") and the applicable personal data protection regulations.

The processing of such data is carried out by the University of Verona as Data Controller pursuant to Articles 24 et seq. of the Regulation, for the purposes set out in the present Call, in the performance of its institutional functions.

An information notice for students on the purposes of the processing, data recipients and the rights of Data Subjects is available on the University's website, at the following link: <u>www.univr.it/it/privacy</u>.

#### Art. 12 – Final provisions

Information about Master's degree programmes, procedures to follow based on the candidate's citizenship, application deadlines and procedures, and publication of the ranking list, can be requested to the International Office (admissions@ateneo.univr.it).

This Call for applications is published in the University's Official Registry. Pursuant to and for the purposes of Law no. 241/1990 and subsequent amendments, the Procedure Officer is the Head of the Enrolment and Postgraduate Study Office - UO Immatricolazioni e Post Laurea, Direzione Offerta formativa, Servizi e Segreterie Studenti, Chiostro S. Francesco, Via S. Francesco, 22 – 37129 Verona.