



CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

SUPPORTING EXCELLENT INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, ENROLLING IN A BACHELOR OR A MASTER DEGREE PROGRAM OF THE UNIVERSITY OF INSUBRIA FOR A.Y. 2021/22

Item 1: Description and objectives

In order to enhance the internationalization process, the University of Insubria will be offering up to ten (10) scholarships to highly talented prospective international students (UE or non UE) wishing to enroll in a Bachelor or a Master degree program (either taught in Italian or English language) during the academic year 2021-2022. The scholarship program is highly selective: only candidates showing the highest achievements may be granted with such scholarship. Successful students will be expected to act as ambassadors of the University of Insubria and to represent the Institution at a number of events.

Item 2: International students

International Students are those who reside outside Italy at the time of the application and have attained (or are going to attain) their secondary school diploma or university qualification outside Italy.

Item 3: Duration and economic conditions

University of Insubria grants ten (10) scholarships, each one amounting to € 10.000,00 before taxes and any other duties or fees applicable according to Italian laws (approximately amounting to 18% of the gross instalment). The Scholarship is granted for one (1) academic year and will be paid in two (2) instalments (€ 4.000,00 and € 6.000,00).

The grants will be awarded to international students enrolling in Italian or English taught Bachelor or Master degrees.

Scholarships cannot be combined with any other national or international grant awarded by foreign or Italian institutions. Candidates are required, under their own responsibility, to notify promptly to the International Office (relint@uninsubria.it) any incompatibility with other scholarships.

However, starting from the second year of enrollment, beneficiaries may access any other opportunity offered by the University.

Beneficiary students must attend courses, take exams, and pass at least 40 ECTS credits by the end of the summer session of exams (September 30th, 2022).

Reimbursement of travel, insurance, accommodation or other costs are not included in International Excellence Scholarships and will not be provided by the University of Insubria. Nevertheless, the University of Insubria gives offsite students the





chance to apply for an accommodation in one of the campuses in Varese or Como within the limits of the availability of places.

Item 4: Requirements

In order to apply to the scholarship, applicants must:

- 1) be international students, as defined in item 2;
- 2) commit to regularly enroll, for the academic year 2021/22, in a Bachelor or a Master degree program of the University of Insubria;
- 3) demonstrate a final qualification grade not less than the 80% of the maximum possible final grade in the country where the qualification has been awarded;
- 4) (*for candidates attending the final year of the secondary school*) demonstrate he/she belongs to the top 20% of his/her class by an official document issued by his/her school, such as a statement signed and stamped by his/her school, a reference letter, a class ranking certificate, etc.
- 5) be able to comply with the conditions for obtaining a visa for study purpose in Italy (if requested by Italian laws);

Item 5: Selection criteria and application

A special Examining Committee nominated by the Rector will draw up a list of eligible candidates based on the sum of points awarded through assessment of applicants' academic record, curriculum vitae, motivation letter and, for the top ranked candidates, an interview. The Committee will start the evaluation assessing the supporting documents and assigning 30 points as follows:

- Academic Records: max 20 points
- Curriculum vitae (work, research or study experience): max 5 points
- Motivation letter: max 5 points

Candidates who after this phase of assessment are awarded a score less than 21/30 are not eligible.

The first 20 students in the provisional ranking list based on the assessment of the supporting documents will be then convoked for an interview awarding a maximum of 20 points.

The final ranking list, based on the sum of the points of the documents assessment and the points of the interview, indicating the winners, will be published on the University website and communicated to the applicants within July 10th, 2021; should any of them renounce, the scholarship will be awarded to the next student in the ranking list. In case of a tie, the younger candidate will be chosen. After publication of the results, students have to confirm acceptance of the scholarship within 7 working days.



Item 6: Application

Applications must include:

- Secondary School Diploma or a Bachelor Degree Diploma or (for Item 4 n. 3 case) School statement
- the Transcript of the achieved records
- the curriculum vitae, also stating professional experiences
- a motivation letter
- even if not mandatory, a Declaration of Value (Dichiarazione di Valore, to be required to the Italian Embassy/Consulate), will facilitate the assessment

All supporting documents must be written or officially translated in Italian, English, French, Spanish or Portuguese language and they must be uploaded through the i-STUD portal. Failure to meet one or more of the above mentioned conditions implies the impossibility to be granted the scholarship.

Applications have to be submitted through the i-STUD online portal <https://uninsubria-ol.dirittoallostudio.it/apps/V3.1/istud/public/index.php> after having created a personal account on:

<https://uninsubria.esse3.cineca.it/AddressBook/ABStartProcessoRegAction.do>

(click on the menu and choose the English version) starting from April 20, 2021.

The deadline for application is June 15th, 2021 12 am (Italian time).

The university will not take any responsibility for the dispersion of notices due to a wrong indication of contacts or due to the change in contact details indicated in the application.

Item 7 - Payment arrangements and maintenance requirements

Scholarship will be paid in two (2) instalments. The first instalment (€ 4.000,00) will be released to the beneficiary student within 60 days from the arrival in Italy, only upon:

1. completion of the enrolment procedures at the University of Insubria;
2. opening of an Italian bank account or pre-paid credit card with an IBAN registered or co-registered in the student's name;
3. signature of the Declaration of acceptance, where the beneficiary student commits himself to accept the scholarship terms and confirms he/she does not fall within any of the conditions of incompatibility established in Item 3 of this call for applications;



The second instalment (€ 6.000,00) will be released to the beneficiary student upon achievement of at least 12 ECTS by 28th February 2022. In case of enrolment with recognition of previous studies, credits earned during a previous university career cannot be considered for the achievement of the expected maintenance requirements.

In any case, the scholarship amount and payments are strictly linked to the physical presence of the grant holder in the University seats. If, for any reason, the regularly enrolled grant holder, starts the study activities by remote means from his/her home, the scholarship amount will be proportionally reduced according to the actual period of on-site activities.

Item 8 — Scholarship revocation

The University of Insubria has the right to revoke the scholarships in the following cases:

1. if the beneficiary student does not obtain at least 40 ECTS credits by the end of the summer session of exams (September 30th, 2022); in case of enrolment with recognition of previous studies, credits earned during a previous university career cannot be considered for the achievement of the expected maintenance requirements.
2. if the beneficiary student decides to transfer to another University or withdraw from his /her studies.

In the above cases, the beneficiary student shall refund the full amount of the scholarship already received. Particular situations, duly substantiated, will be evaluated by the Rector of the University of Insubria.

Item 9 — Final Provisions

Personal data will be processed pursuant to the principles and provisions of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679 on protection of privacy and exclusively for the purposes of managing the procedure. According to the GDPR – EU Regulation 2016/679 the information on data processing is published on the institutional website

Without prejudice to the penal sanctions as per art. 76 of Presidential Decree 445/2000, should statements emerge to be untruthful, the beneficiary student will lose the awarded benefit.

The person responsible for the procedure is Dr. Luca Gallo — Head of the International Office.



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Varese,

Signed
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