Call for Applications for the Selection of International Students for Master’s Degree Programs for the 2021/2022 Academic Year

Students regularly enrolled at university for the 2020/2021 academic year who will obtain their bachelor’s degree abroad by 20 November 2021 and all those who hold a bachelor’s degree awarded abroad may apply for admission to the degree programs listed below.

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Submission of Applications

The selection process will be held between 2 November 2020 and 11 June 2021.

Applications for admission may be submitted solely through the University’s website by 11 June 2021 by means of filling out the appropriate online application form.

When filling out the application form the student may select up to a maximum of three degree programs for which to compete. Solely if a student is not admitted to their first choice degree program/major, may they – on the basis of the evaluation of the admissions commission – be admitted to their second or possibly third choice one.
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Should a student wish to compete for one degree program only, they must select "No further choice" when filling out the application form.

Under no circumstances can the order of preference of the degree programs chosen be changed after admission.

Documents or data required to complete the online application (in pdf or image format):
• certificate showing the studies completed to date (updated transcript of records or, if not available, provisional transcript) and associated grades;
• details of a sponsoring professor, who may be contacted by the admissions commission;
• proven mandatory knowledge of the Italian language (at least level B2) solely for non-Italian citizens wishing to register for a degree program taught in Italian;
• proven mandatory knowledge of the English language (at least level B2) for all students wishing to register for a degree program taught in English;
• other optional certification (for example, language proficiency, GMAT or GRE).

Multiple applications from the same candidate will not be considered, with all applications received after the first one being discarded.

Admission Requirements

In any case, it is required that a candidate’s previous studies be consistent with the master’s degree program applied for.

Only applications accompanied by documentation that is complete and compliant with the applicable regulations governing qualifications granting access to university studies will be considered (for more information candidates are advised to read the Rules for University Enrollment by Foreign Students).

It should be borne in mind that pursuant to Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MIUR) regulations, qualifications awarded abroad grant access to master’s degree programs at an Italian university only if they:
• have been awarded by official universities in that foreign country’s education system;
• entitle the student to enroll in graduate programs in the foreign country that awarded them;
• have been awarded on completion of a bachelor’s degree program lasting at least 3 academic years.

Students in possession of a foreign qualification are reminded that the final certificate of the qualification obtained must be translated and legalized by the Italian diplomatic or consular authorities for the country whose education system awarded the qualification and must be accompanied by the relevant Declaration of Value (dichiarazione di valore) or recognized by Italian ministerial decree. In fact, enrollment is subject to the qualification meeting the requirements laid down by the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the 2021/2022 academic year regarding enrollment at Italian universities.

For any information regarding one’s qualifications and how to obtain a visa/study permit, the onus is on candidates to timely read the “Rules for University Enrollment by Foreign Students” and to contact the local Italian diplomatic authorities in the foreign country whose education system awards the qualification, also in order to comply with the administrative procedures for the issuance of the required documentation.

Candidates can contact CIMEA http://www.cimea.it/ for an advance assessment of their qualifications.
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Admission Criteria

The eligible candidacies will be examined by an admissions commission, which – at its absolute discretion – will draw up a ranking taking into account:

• academic background, consistency of one’s previous studies with the chosen master’s degree programs and school record;
• the academic year in which the eligible degree was awarded (preference will be accorded to bachelor’s degrees conferred in the last three academic years);
• the language level declared;
• GMAT/GRE scores (if any).

During this stage candidates could well be contacted for an oral interview by Skype with the admissions commission.

All candidacies will be assessed on a rolling basis and candidates will be informed (by e-mail sent to the account specified during the application process) of the final outcome of their application – positive or negative as the case may be – for admission to one of their chosen degree programs.

Candidates will be conditionally admitted at first (ammissione con riserva), and thereafter fully admitted solely upon receipt of the original documentation regarding the Declaration of Value (dichiarazione di valore) or CIMEA statement of comparability (attestato di comparabilità) and, for non-EU citizens, certification of the personal identity of the student and a visa. For information: welcome desk@luiss.it.

The highest ranked candidates may also be offered a scholarship by the University, a decision that could well be communicated after admission.

Registration for Attendance

Acceptance of the offer of admission must be communicated by and no later than three weeks after receipt of the admission e-mail, writing directly to ammissione@luiss.it and paying the first installment of the single tuition fee (contributo unico) for the 2021/2022 academic year amounting to 4,100 euros.

Admission entails compulsory attendance of the program from September 2021. Students must therefore have completed the necessary procedures for the issuance of their study visa by that date. The arrival of students after that date is not envisioned.

Please note that the offer of admission will refer exclusively to the 2021/2022 academic year and will not be considered as valid for admission in subsequent years.

Completion of University Enrollment

Students registered for attendance must subsequently proceed to complete their university enrollment by the peremptory deadline of 20 November 2021, through an online procedure (in the manner and within the timeframe that will be communicated by e-mail and published on a dedicated page of the University’s website), paying – in addition to the first installment of the single tuition fee – the regional student welfare tax (tasse regionale per il diritto allo studio universitario) and relevant amount of stamp duty (bollo).

Through accessing the self-service web by and no later than 20 November 2021 students will be required to:
1. fill in and print out the application for university enrollment;
2. pay the first installment of the single tuition fee – if not already done – as well as the regional student welfare tax and relevant stamp duty by credit card through a procedure set out in the web self-service;

3. send the application for university enrolment by 20 July 2021 to the Student Office along with all required documents.

For the 2021/2022 academic year the amount of the single tuition fee for registration for the first year of a master’s degree program is 12,300 euros payable in three installments (the deadlines for payment of the second and third installments are respectively 25 November 2021 and 2 March 2022).

It should be noted that pursuant to article 27 of Royal Decree No. 1269/38 "a student who has registered for a year of a university course may not under any circumstances obtain a refund of the fees, surcharges and taxes paid". In this regard failure to obtain one’s bachelor’s degree by the deadline of 20 November 2021 is the sole ground that entitles a student to a refund of the first installment of the single tuition fee paid at the time of registering for attendance.

NB: In any event a student’s university enrollment is subject to compliance with the set deadlines, registration for attendance within the above mentioned timeframe, payment of the first installment of the single tuition fee, regional student welfare tax and relevant stamp duty, submission of the application for enrollment and the awarding of one’s bachelor’s degree in the 2020/2021 academic year (by 20 November 2021).

Financial Aid

It should be noted that the application entails a candidacy for International Selection 2020/2021 and as such admission does not automatically entitle one to compete for a scholarship. The admissions commission may at its absolute discretion identify the most deserving students and grant them scholarships reserved for admissions through the International Selection channel.

For information on financial aid and scholarships please visit https://www.luiss.it/studenti/agevolazioni-economiche/esoneri-e-borse-di-studio/futuri-studenti-lauree-magistrali.