



NOTICE

NON-EU CANDIDATES LIVING ABROAD: PRE-ASSESSMENT FOR ADMISSION TO POSTGRADUATE DEGREES AND APPLICATIONS FOR STAR OR LMINT SCHOLARSHIPS - 2026/2027 A.Y.

It is now open the online procedure addressing non-EU citizens living abroad, that achieved foreign qualifications and aim to apply in 2026/27 a.y. for admission to postgraduate degrees (corsi di laurea magistrale).

If they meet the requirements, for awarding international grants, they can also apply for STAR scholarships (English and Italian taught second cycle degrees) or LMINT scholarships (English taught second cycle degrees).

Candidates are allowed to send only one application, where only one study program and grant has been selected.

Application submission and deadline

Applications may be sent only via PICA procedure till 15 March 2026 at Noon (Italian time).

Link to PICA procedure: <https://pica.cineca.it/unibs/ammissione laurea2026>

Study programmes and accepted applications

The procedure accepts three kinds of applications (however, candidates may apply only once):

- pre-assessment request for admission to any open access postgraduate degrees without awarding of grants
- request for pre-assessment and international STAR grant referring to any postgraduate degrees taught in Italian or English language, both with open or limited access
- request for pre-assessment and international LMINT grant referring to any postgraduate degrees taught in English language.

Applications for admission and grants referring to study programmes with limited access will be assessed by the appointed commissions. However, our university will confirm candidates' eligibility for enrollment and their possible inclusion in the grant ranking list only if they sit the mandatory selective entry test and get one of the places available for non-EU citizens living abroad.



**We underline that PICA procedure automatically verifies
if applicants meet the specific provisions for STAR or LMINT scholarships:
only those candidates that fulfil the requirements
are allowed to carry out the procedure.**

**We warmly recommend candidates interested in international scholarships
to read attentively the conditions set in the call before starting the process.**

| Second cycle degree | Language | Pre-assessment or selective entry test | Application for STAR grant | Application for LMINT grant |
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| Analytics and data Science For Economics And Management | English | Pre-assessment and oral interview | Yes | Yes |
| Civil and environmental engineering | English | Pre-assessment | Yes | Yes |
| MANAGEMENT – Curriculum Green Economy And Sustainability | English | Pre-assessment | Yes | Yes |
| MANAGEMENT – Curriculum International Business | English | Pre-assessment | Yes | Yes |
| Biotechnologie mediche | Italian | Pre-assessment and indicative entry test | Yes | NO |
| Consulenza Aziendale e Libera Professione | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Governo delle amministrazioni pubbliche | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria Civile | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria dell'Automazione Industriale | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria delle Tecnologie per l'Impresa Digitale | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria Elettronica | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria Gestionale | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria Informatica | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria Meccanica | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria per l'Ambiente e il Territorio | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Ingegneria per l'Innovazione dei Materiali e del Prodotto | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Marketing per il Made in Italy | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Finanza e Risk Management | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Scienze Giuridiche dell'Innovazione e della sostenibilità | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |
| Scienze infermieristiche e ostetriche | Italian | Selective entry test | Yes | NO |
| Scienze del movimento per la salute e il benessere | Italian | Selective entry test | Yes | NO |
| Tecnologie per la transizione ecologica in agricoltura | Italian | Pre-assessment | Yes | NO |



Qualifications required for admission

Enrollment in postgraduate degrees (corsi di laurea magistrale) requires a valid undergraduate degree belonging to any higher education foreign systems, that

- has been achieved after at least three years of studying;
- allows access to second cycle study programmes in the education system it belongs to;
- is comparable to the first cycle QF EHEA / 6th level EQF;
- has been issued by higher education systems outside the European Union (only if the candidate applies to STAR or LMINT scholarship);
- is suitable for admission to the chosen study program.

Further information are available in www.unibs.it/en/node/777

According to Italian university system provisions, admission to postgraduate degrees is subject to the fulfillment of curricular and personal preparation requirements established yearly and indicated in the Teaching regulations. Specifically, applicants should have studied in their undergraduate program subjects consistent to those offered in the postgraduate level.

We also underline that higher education institutions that issue foreign qualifications must be officially authorized in the education system they refer to both to offer the study program and to issue the relevant final qualification. If the qualification has been issued by any institutions with transnational status, both the head office and the branch should have obtained authorization by the authorities in the countries where they operate and by the authorities in charge of the education system they belong to.

Deadline for achieving required qualifications

Deadline for obtaining the qualification required for admission is 10 July 2026.

Requests for admission and applications for international grants will be rejected if candidates achieve their qualification after the deadline.

Candidates that are going to obtain their degree from 15 March till 10 July 2026 will receive confirmation of their eligibility for admission and possible inclusion in the grant ranking list only if the institution where they are studying send **by 30 July 2026** original language documents, stating achievement of the qualification (diploma and exams passed) via email to ammcentr@cert.unibs.it

internationalstudents@unibs.it

Furthermore, the awarding institution should send also a confirmation letter on headed paper, indicating their office contacts to be used in case of verification.

Instructions referring to PICA procedure

1. At the beginning candidates must fill in the online application with personal information and give



express consent to the processing of their personal data. Upload passport or valid identity card is mandatory (passport or identity card should be in English or French language).

2. Then users have to select one of the following options:
 - pre-assessment request for admission to any open access postgraduate degrees without awarding of grants
 - request for pre-assessment and international STAR grant (postgraduate degrees taught in Italian or English language, both with open or limited access)
 - request for pre-assessment and international LMINT grant (postgraduate degrees taught in English language).
3. In the next step, candidates must enter information concerning the undergraduate foreign qualification required for admission, indicating if they have already achieved it or not. They must also upload relevant documents in original language, along with translation in Italian or English if they have been issued in other languages (original documents and translation should be scanned in a sole file).

Applicants that obtained their degree should upload the final diploma and transcript of records (scanned in a sole file). The following information should appear: title denomination and level in the foreign system; date of achievement; name and country of the issuing institution; duration of the study programme; list of exams passed; final mark, and minimum and maximum marks provided.

Applicants that are going to achieve their qualification must upload instead the registration certificate with the list of exams passed.

The following information should appear: title denomination and level in the foreign system; name and country of the issuing institution; duration of the study programme; marks obtained, and minimum and maximum marks provided.

Candidates that also achieved their second cycle degree abroad, can add information about it in the procedure.

4. In the next step, users select the study programme among the listed courses and must enter information about their Italian and / or English language proficiency:
 - Italian language (required for any Italian taught study programmes): certificate of at least B2 CEFR level issued as part of the CLIQ quality system
 - English language (required for any postgraduate degrees): a certificate of at least B2 CEFR level taken in official international exams of English proficiency included among those accepted by our university (the list of accepted certificates is published in <https://www.unibs.it/en/education/useful-information/certifications-and-modules/language-certificate>)



Holders of certificates stating their proficiency in Italian and / or English language can upload them in the procedure.

In the event that this certificate has not been obtained, candidates have the following options:

- Italian language: they must sit and pass the Italian language online test offered by our University (information available in www.unibs.it/en/node/1675)
- English language: previous attendance of an English taught undergraduate programme or English exams passed during their academic career are accepted and can be pointed out in the application.

5. In the next step, a message indicates the chosen study program and users must save the application in order to confirm their choice and continue.
6. After study program selection, the procedure verifies automatically if candidates meet the requirements provided for in the call for international grants (STAR or LMINT):
 - in case the applicant fulfils the requirements, he / she can carry on the online procedure and submit request for one international scholarship by uploading his / her curriculum vitae and recommendation letters
 - in case the applicant fails to meet the requirements, the application can be carried out only for admission purposes to the selected study programme: a message informs the user about his / her exclusion from grants awarding and he / she should save the application to continue.
7. In order to enable the appointed commission to verify consistency among subjects studied at undergraduate level and those offered at postgraduate level, applicants are required to download and fill in a form, listing the passed exams relevant to any subject areas; the form should be then signed and uploaded.
8. In the last step, candidates can add comments or further information.
9. The payment of the application fee of euros 20,00 via PagoPa is required to complete the application, unless candidates are allowed to request STAR grant awarding. The system automatically opens the PagoPa portal to let applicants pay via credit card.
10. After the final confirmation, application is available in draft form: candidates can read, confirm, modify or delete it.
11. To complete the process, applicants have firstly to print and sign their request, and then to upload it as .pdf file in the online procedure. If they finalize the process successfully, the identification number is automatically assigned to the request.

Applications that fail to meet the requirements indicated (incomplete, missing the requested documents, sent after the deadline, submitted with a different method other than the Pica portal or missing the payment of the 20 € fee) will be excluded.



Appointed commissions

Valid applications will be assessed by the appointed Commissions.

Outcomes

Applicants will be informed about outcomes via email by the middle of May 2026.

Enrollment

If candidates fulfill conditions for applying to an international scholarship, their request via PICA procedure will be assessed by the appointed commissions to decide eligibility both for enrollment and inclusion in the grant ranking list.

In case the request for international grant hasn't been submitted, users' application via PICA procedure will be assessed by the appointed commissions only for enrollment purpose.

If applicants will be considered eligible for enrollment in the selected postgraduate degree, regardless their inclusion in the grant ranking list, they can start the enrollment process only if they comply with other provisions established for non-EU citizens living abroad (please, check www.unibs.it/en/node/777)

Request for further information

Candidates can ask for further information via email:

internationalscholarships@unibs.it

internationalstudents@unibs.it

Brescia, 30 January 2026