



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL TALENTS @UNIBO - RENEWAL
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
ENROLLING IN FIRST AND SINGLE CYCLE DEGREE PROGRAMMES
AT ALMA MATER STUDIORUM – UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA IN THE 2024-25 ACADEMIC YEAR
INTENDED FOR UNIBO ACTION 2 SCHOLARSHIPS HOLDERS IN THE 2023-24 ACADEMIC YEAR
DEADLINE: 15 JULY 2024**

Our University has been working for a long time to raise awareness of and to address gender stereotypes. In this context, it has been decided to give greater linguistic visibility to gender differences. For the sake of simplicity, the masculine form is used in this document. However, it is meant to refer inclusively to all persons who work within the community.

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ART. 1 – Aim, scope and duration

In order to encourage international students to enrol in its degree programmes, the University of Bologna has funded **9 study grants worth €4.500 each**.

Each study grant is awarded for one academic year with the possibility of renewal for the subsequent academic year to the conditions established in the art. 12. Successful applicants will also be offered a **full tuition fee waiver**. Successful applicants will be required to pay €157,04 (regional taxes, stamp duty and insurance premium. Amounts subject to change).

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The study grants are intended for international students who enrol in the A.Y. 2024-2025 in a First or Single cycle degree programme at the University of Bologna, who have received a study grant under Unibo Action 2 for the A.Y. 2023-2024.

ART. 2 – Participation requirements

In order to be eligible for participation, you must meet all of the following requirements, under penalty of exclusion:

- 1) be enrolled in a First or Single Cycle degree programme at the University of Bologna for the A.Y. 2023-2024;
- 2) receive a study grant under Unibo Action 2 for the A.Y. 2023-2024;
- 3) meet the following financial requirement:
 - ISEE (Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator) between €16.000 and €35.000, or equivalent economic situation for those who cannot apply for an ISEE certificate.

If you don't have an ISEE certificate because your family has income and/or assets outside Italy, you must submit the documents required for ISEE calculation. See Art. 6 for further information.

ART. 3 – Incompatibility

The study grant may not be combined with:

1. Study grants/prizes awarded by the University of Bologna for the same purpose (including UNICORE study grants, study grants awarded by Departments and degree programmes, and Unibo for Refugees prizes);
2. Study grants awarded under the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree (EMJMD) programme;
3. Study grants awarded by the Regional Authority for the Right to Higher Education (ER.GO), the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI), the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS), Collegio Superiore in Bologna, or CRUI for beneficiaries of international or temporary protection;
4. Study grants awarded under international cooperation projects in which the University of Bologna is a partner;
5. Study grants awarded by foreign governmental bodies or institutions, on the basis of agreements with the University of Bologna, aimed at facilitating the enrolment of international students in the University of Bologna.

The study grant is compatible with other forms of study support funded by ER.GO (housing services, etc.).

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ART. 4 – Award criteria

Each student is awarded a score equal to the sum of the grades obtained by 15 July 2024 multiplied by the number of credits obtained for each exam; the outcome is multiplied by the following coefficient, based on the A.Y of first enrolment:

First enrolment A.Y.	Coefficient
2022-2023	0,45
2021-2022	0,29
2020-2021	0,21
2019-2020	0,14

SCORE = (GRADE exam1*CFUexam1 + GRADEexam2*CFUexam2 + GRADEexam3*CFUexam3)* coefficient.

In case of a tie, preference will be given to the younger applicant.

The final awarding of the renewal is also conditional to the achievement of requirements for the payment of the third instalment of the Unibo "Action 2" scholarship for the A.Y. 2023-2024, according to the requirements set by the relevant call.

You are invited to check that all exams passed have been recorded and to report any errors, by the call deadline.

For exams passed on a pass-fail basis, the grade is given by the weighted arithmetical average of the grades obtained. If no grades have been obtained, candidates will not be awarded any score.

For exams passed "con lode" no extra score will be awarded.

In case of change from a degree programme to another (passaggio), credits accrued in the original degree programme will be taken into account only if recognized in the present degree programme. In case of shortened programme (abbreviazione di carriera), credits accrued previously are taken into account only if recognized in the present degree programme; the A.Y. of first enrolment will be calculated according to the year of enrolment during the A.Y. 2023-2024.

Credits accrued in single course units which are not recognized, credits accrued completing Additional Learning Requirements ("OFA") or attending Italian Language Courses at the University Language Centre (CLA) or any other credit which are not useful for the qualification awarding will not be taken into account.

All credits, but those recognized in case of shortened programme of previous university careers, must be gained at University of Bologna (art. 16 University teaching regulations) or at other universities, within University of Bologna mobility programmes, and must be recognized by the above mentioned deadlines.

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For all candidates, the payment of the study grant is subordinate to the effective and regular enrolment for A.Y. 2024-2025 and to the possession of the maintenance requirements laid down in art. 9. Students enrolling in the A.Y 2024-2025 who are not aligned to the exam schedule (fuori corso) cannot be awarded the renewal grant. Students can benefit of the Unibo Action 2 and International Talents @Unibo – Renewal grants for the same number of years as the standard duration of the degree programme of last enrolment.

Students who enrol for the first time in a degree programme in the A.Y. 2024-2025 cannot be awarded the International Talents @Unibo renewal grant.

Students enrolling in joint or multiple degree programmes cannot be awarded the grant, if for the A. Y. 2024-2025 they have to pay tuition fees to a partner university, other than the University of Bologna.

ART. 5 – How to apply: deadlines and methods

You must submit your application **between 6 June 2024 at 12:00 CEST and 15 July 2024 at 12:00 CEST**, strictly through Studenti Online (www.studenti.unibo.it).

1. Visit studenti.unibo.it and click on “Calls”;
2. Select the call “Call for applications International Talents @Unibo - Renewal, A.Y. 2024-25”.
You will only be able to continue with the online application process if you are in possession of the requirements specified in Art. 2, points 2 of this call.
3. Check your contact details;
4. Enter the required details.

You must also submit your ISEE 2024 certificate for higher education subsidies, **or other financial requirements documents in accordance with Art. 6.**

If you need help or guidance in completing your online application, you can call the Studenti Online Help Desk at the following number: +39 0512080301, Monday to Friday, 9.00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 17:00, or send an email to the following address: help.studentionline@unibo.it.

Please note: in the online procedure for submitting the application, information relating to the application itself is visible (e.g. "Application submitted") which exclusively concerns the technical aspects of the procedure itself. No indication of this type allows the application to be considered complete/eligible/valid for the purposes of this competition. All applications will be verified, in accordance with the provisions of this call for applications, by the competent offices after the deadline has expired and the results of these checks will be made public as required by the Art. 7. Your application will only be valid if you follow the procedure above. Applications on paper, by fax or email will not be accepted.

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ART. 6 – How to submit financial status documents: deadlines and methods

In addition to the application pursuant to Art. 5, **by 15 July 2024 at 12:00 CEST**, you must submit the documents regarding your family's economic situation.

If your family has income and/or assets only outside Italy

Visit www.unibo.it/ITaScholarshipsFinancialStatus and read the detailed instructions on how to submit the documents to certify your family's economic situation.

Visit ER.GO (www.er-go.it) and access the "Online services" section using your University credentials.

Fill in the "Personal data" and "Economic data" sections.

The documents you submit will also be valid for calculation of the tuition fee payable on enrolment in the 2024-2025 academic year. If you have citizenship in a particularly poor and developing country or in a non-EU and non-OECD country, read the instructions below.

If your family has income and/or assets only in Italy

Visit www.unibo.it/ITaScholarshipsFinancialStatus and read the detailed instructions on how to submit the documents to certify your family's economic situation.

Visit ER.GO (www.er-go.it) and access the "Online services" section using your SPID credentials.

Fill in the "Personal data" and "Economic data" sections.

In the "Economic data" section, enter the Single Declaration in Lieu (DSU) protocol number assigned by INPS, which is necessary to obtain your ISEE 2024 certificate. The ISEE 2024 certificate you submit for the purposes of this call will also be valid for calculation of the tuition fee payable on enrolment in the 2024-2025 academic year.

If your family has income and/or assets in Italy and abroad

Visit www.unibo.it/ITaScholarshipsFinancialStatus and read the detailed instructions on how to submit the documents to certify your family's economic situation.

Visit ER.GO (www.er-go.it) and access the "Online services" section using your SPID credentials, if you are resident in Italy, or your University credentials.

Fill in the "Personal data" and "Economic data" sections.

You must enter:

- the ISEE 2024 for income and assets in Italy
- documentation relating to income and assets abroad

following the instructions above.

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Students from particularly poor and developing countries – non-EU and non-OECD countries.

If you have citizenship in a particularly poor and developing country (see list www.unibo.it/PaesiParticolarmentePoveri) or in a non-EU and non-OECD country (see list www.unibo.it/PaesiNonOcse), you can pay a reduced fixed fee without having to submit the documents to certify your family's economic situation. You can still submit your financial requirements documents by following the instructions on the University Website, at www.unibo.it/ITaScholarshipsFinancialStatus, only to apply for this call.

Visit ER.GO (www.er-go.it) and access the "Online services" section using your University credentials.

In the "Personal data" section, tick the box "I accept the fixed rate fee (flat tax)" that will pop up before accessing the "Economic data" section.

PLEASE NOTE: All financial requirements documents will be checked thoroughly by ER.GO. If the outcome is negative, you will lose your benefits.

ART. 7 – Creation and approval of the ranking lists, preference in case of a tie

A general ranking list in decreasing order of score will be created. In case of a tie, preference will be given to the younger applicant.

The ranking list is approved by decree of the Head of Division.

The ranking list will be published on www.studenti.unibo.it.

ART. 8 – Acceptance

If you are awarded a study grant, you will be notified by email.

In order to confirm your unreserved acceptance of the study grant, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this call for applications, you must send an email to internationaldesk@unibo.it no later than 10 days from receiving notification that you have been awarded the study grant. In your email, you must also:

- Confirm, under your own responsibility, that the conditions of incompatibility established in Art. 3 of this call for applications do not apply;
- Undertake to notify any changes to the information provided, which may occur during the year.

If you enrol in two degree programmes simultaneously, pursuant to Law 33/2022, the degree programme for which you obtain the scholarship must be the one you have indicated as priority for the Right to Education benefits.

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ART. 9 – Payment methods and maintenance requirements

Study grants will be paid in 3 instalments. Payment processes will start in October *, March and July, or after the office checks if the student has graduated. This graduation check will be done on the following dates: 31 October 2025, 31 March 2026. The payment processes last 60 days.

Payment of instalments cannot be made if the student's career is blocked due to debts to ER.GO or to the University of Bologna.

(*) To receive the payment of the first instalment, of €2.000 (gross of all charges to be paid by the recipient), you must enrol for the A.Y. 2024-2025.

To receive the payment of the second instalment, of €1.500 (gross of all charges to be paid by the recipient), you must earn the University credits indicated in the following table before 20 February 2025.

A.Y. of matriculation	Credit no. for First or Single cycle degree
2022-2023	110
2021-2022	160
2020-2021	210
2019-2020	260

To receive the payment of the third instalment, of €1.000 (gross of all charges to be paid by the recipient), you must earn the University credits indicated in the following table before 15 July 2025.

A.Y. of matriculation	Credit no. for First or Single cycle degree
2022-2023	130
2021-2022	180
2020-2021	230
2019-2020	280

If you are unable to earn the credits you need in order to receive the payment of the second instalment by 20 February 2025, but you still earn the credits you need for the payment of the third instalment, you will receive the second instalment as well. The payment procedure will start in July.

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The credits accrued during the 2024-2025 academic year must be earned at the University of Bologna (Article 16 of the University Teaching Regulations) or at another university, within a mobility programme in which the University of Bologna participates. Payment procedures will only start after completion of the credit recognition process.

In case of matriculation in a shortened programme, any credits recognised from your previous academic career will be deemed valid for the purposes of this call for applications. Your year of first enrolment will be determined based on your year of enrolment in the 2024-2025 academic year.

Unrecognised credits earned from single course units, credits from Italian language courses offered by the University Language Centre (CLA) or any other credits which are not calculated for the purpose of obtaining your qualification will not be taken into account.

Study grants will be paid via bank transfer to an Italian bank account or prepaid card with IBAN of which you are the holder or a joint holder.

ART. 10 – Withdrawal

Applicants may withdraw by sending an email to internationaldesk@unibo.it.

In case of withdrawals received by 15 July 2024, the study grants will be awarded to the next suitable applicant in the ranking list.

ART. 11 – Enquiries and penalties

The University will check the veracity of all self-certifications and documents provided by students to participate in this call.

The checks on the ISEE certificates submitted by students whose immediate family has income and/or assets in Italy will be carried out by ER.GO on behalf of the University. The checks will address those ISEE certificates that contain non-conformities and/or omissions identified directly by the Italian Revenue Agency and/or by INPS, as well as – on a sample basis – the self-declarations in the DSU. For this purpose, ER.GO may request that the persons concerned provide suitable documentation to prove that the information in the DSU is complete and true. Also based on these checks, ER.GO will send the Italian Revenue Agency the lists of individuals to be subjected to audits by the Italian Tax Police, in order to verify the income and assets declared.

The checks on the self-certifications and documents relating to the financial status of students who declare foreign income and/or assets will be carried out by ER.GO on behalf of the University. If the checks reveal that false or incomplete self-certifications or documents have been submitted, without prejudice to the penalties provided for under Article 76 of Presidential Decree 445/2000, you will immediately lose your benefits. Any amount already received will have to be returned.

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ART. 12 – Renewal of the grant for the following academic years

The grants can be renewed from year to year for the standard duration of the degree programme. You can obtain the renewal if you meet the requirements for the payment of the third instalment in the previous academic year, according to the following table:

	Requirements for the third instalment (1000 €)
Year of enrolment	Credit no. at 15 July
3	130
4	180
5	230
6	280

Renewal for the following academic year is provided by decree of the Head of Division, following the checks on the merit requirements on 15 July.

You don't have to apply.

If you obtain the renewal, you will be notified by email.

In order to confirm your unreserved acceptance of the study grant, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this call for applications, you must send an email to internationaldesk@unibo.it no later than 10 days from receiving notification that you have been awarded the study grant. In your email, you must also:

- confirm, under your own responsibility, that the conditions of incompatibility established in Art. 3 of this call for applications do not apply;
- undertake to notify any changes to the information provided, which may occur during the year.

If you enrol in two degree programmes simultaneously, pursuant to Law 33/2022, the degree programme for which you obtain the scholarship must be the one you have indicated as priority for the Right to Education benefits.

The payment of the renewed grants takes place according to the methods in the art. 9 and in compliance with the following requirements:

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Year of enrolment	Requirements for first instalment (2000 €)	Requirements for second instalment (1500 €)	Requirements for third instalment (1000 €)	notes
		Credit no. at 15 February	Credit no. at 15 July	
4	Enrolment for the A.Y.	160	180	
5	Enrolment for the A.Y.	210	230	Or graduation within the A.Y. (5 year single cycle degree)
6	Enrolment for the A.Y.	260	280	Or graduation within the A.Y. (6 year single cycle degree)

ART. 13 – Privacy policy statement

The data collected will be processed in accordance with the Privacy policy statement for participants in the University's competitive selection procedures, available at www.unibo.it/privacy.

This privacy policy statement is provided in accordance with Articles 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR).

Competent Organisational Unit

For information, please contact the International Desk of Student Service Division (ASES), Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna

Email: internationaldesk@unibo.it

For opening times and access: www.unibo.it/ContactsInternationalStudents

Language

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Bologna, June 2024

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