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Unibo call for applications for 3 scholarships for first-year students enrolled on the “Quantitative Finance” international master's degree for academic year 2022-2023, and second-year students enrolled on the “Quantitative Finance” international master's degree for academic year 2022-2023.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS DEADLINE September 1, 2022 h. 12.00 pm

ART. 1 – Subject and purpose

For academic year 2022/2023 the Department of Statistical Sciences is awarding funds received from a free donation of 7,000 euro from the Prometeia company, and a contribution of 3,500 euro from Banca Intesa - gross of withholding taxes payable by the recipient institution - to students enrolled on the master's degree in Quantitative Finance and in possession of the requisites of this call for applications.

The purpose of the initiative is to improve the attractiveness of the degree programme.

The scholarships will thus be funded as follows:

- ✓ 2 scholarships for a total amount - gross for the recipient institution - of 7,000 euro (3,500 euro each) donated by Prometeia;
- ✓ 1 scholarship for an amount of 3,500 euro - gross for the recipient institution - donated by Banca Intesa.

Each sum will be assigned for one academic year only, and the amount will be gross of taxes payable by the institution. The method of payment is specified in art. 8 below.

In the event of non-assignment, the relevant sum of the unassigned scholarships will be made available for the subsequent academic year's call for applications.

ART. 2 Requisites for participation

Only students enrolled on the master's degree programme in Quantitative Finance for academic year 2022/2023 may take part in the selection process. In particular, for students enrolled on the first year of the master's degree in Quantitative Finance the requisites are:

- the achievement of a score of admission to the Master's Degree programme in Quantitative Finance of 67 or over;

- being enrolled for the first time on the first year of the Master's Degree in Quantitative Finance for academic year 2022-2023.

For students enrolled on the second year of the master's degree in Quantitative Finance the requisites are:

- being enrolled for the first time on the second year of the Master's Degree in Quantitative Finance for academic year 2022-2023 and having been regularly enrolled on the first year of the master's degree programme in Quantitative Finance in academic year 2021-2022 and having achieved, as of 31/07/2022, at least 36 ECTS points in the teaching plan for the first year of the course.

ART. 3 Incompatibility

The award of the scholarship may be combined with that of other financial benefits paid (or that will be paid) to the student, except in cases in which other calls for application exclude cumulation.

The student is required to check for any incompatibility and to verify whether the conditions are met to opt for one benefit or the other.

Art. 4 Method of Selection

The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of a two-phase assessment by a committee made up of staff of the degree programme in Quantitative Finance and representatives of the companies donating the scholarship funds. The two phases include a preliminary assessment of the candidate and an oral interview.

For students enrolled on the first year of the course and admitted according to the requisites listed in art. 2, the phases will be:

- a preliminary assessment based on the candidates' CVs and titles of merit, assigning a score up to a maximum of 40 points. The minimum score to be regarded as eligible for admission to the oral interview is 30 points;
- assessment by oral interview: the committee will assess the candidate's motivational factors, preparedness and knowledge in the mathematical, economic and financial field, as well as his or her logical skills. A score of up to a maximum of 60 points will be assigned.

For students enrolled on the second year of the course and admitted according to the requisites listed in art. 2, the phases will be:

- a preliminary assessment based on the candidates' CVs and transcripts of records, assigning a score up to a maximum of 40 points. The minimum score to be regarded as eligible for admission to the oral interview is 30 points;

- assessment by oral interview: the committee will assess the candidate's preparedness and knowledge in the mathematical, economic and financial field, as well as his or her logical skills. A score of up to a maximum of 60 points will be assigned.

Within an appropriate time, the names of candidates deemed eligible for admission to the oral interview will be published on the Departmental website www.stat.unibo.it and the course website <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Qfinance>, also indicating how the interview will be conducted.

At the end of the selection process the Committee will draw up an overall ranking of merit, with reasons, which will be published on the course website: <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Qfinance>, as indicated in art. 6 of this call for applications below.

ART. 5 How to submit the application

Applications to take part in this competition must reach the administration office **by and no later than 12.00 on 1 September**, solely via the Studenti Online app.

To use the app you need to:

1. access www.studenti.unibo.it entering your university credentials;
2. click on "Calls for applications";
3. select the call for applications you are interested in : **"Unibo call for applications for 3 scholarships for students enrolled on the "Quantitative Finance" international master's degree for academic year 2022-2023.**

To participate in the call for applications candidates must attach the following documents in pdf format:

1. CV in English (European format);
2. Any other qualifications and/or certificates thought relevant;
3. Degree certificate showing individual exam scores and final grade;
4. Front and back copy of a valid identification document (ID card, passport).

ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE UPLOADED IN PDF FORMAT.

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The application will be deemed valid only if the student completes the procedure shown above, complete with the requested documentation. It will not be possible to send the application to the offices in paper format or by email.

The complete application, with all requested documentation, must reach the Administration office by and no later than the deadline stated in this call for applications. The administration office accepts no responsibility if an application fails to arrive by the stated deadline or if it is incomplete.

Citizens of non-European Union states who are legally resident in Italy or authorised to stay in its territory must comply with the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of article 3 of Presidential Decree 445/2000.

Beyond those cases referred to in the aforementioned paragraphs, all statuses, personal qualities and facts must be documented by certificates or attestations issued by the competent authority of the foreign State, together with a translation into Italian that has been authenticated by the Italian consular authority to certify their conformity to the original after alerting the individual concerned to the criminal implications of producing non-truthful deeds or documents.

The Administration office reserves the right to perform checks on the truthfulness of any declarations. Without prejudice to the penal measures provided for in art. 76 of Presidential Decree 445/2000, should it emerge from these checks that the content of the declaration is untruthful, the person making the declaration will forfeit eligibility for the scholarship.

For assistance or guidance in completing the application online, candidates can telephone the online student Help Desk on: +39 0512099882 Monday to Friday, from 9 am to 1 pm and from 2 pm to 5 pm, or they can send an email to help.studentionline@unibo.it.

For any administrative requests please email: stat.contabilita@unibo.it quoting in the subject line **“Unibo call for applications for 3 scholarships for first-year students enrolled on the “Quantitative Finance” international master's degree for academic year 2022-2023, and second-year students enrolled on the “Quantitative Finance” international master's degree for academic year 2022-2023.**

ART. 6 Awarding of Scholarships and appeals

Applications will be screened by a specially appointed Commission, which will draw up and send to the Head of the Department of Statistical Sciences a ranking of the eligible candidates, indicating their order of merit.

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The provisional ranking will be published on the course website <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Qfinance>

The scholarships will be awarded by decree of the Head of the Department of Statistical Sciences based on the ranking of merit and issued by the Department's administration office.

It will be possible to appeal against the provisional outcome to the University Rector, within 10 days of publication of the ranking, at the following certified email address: stat.dipartimento@pec.unibo.it

Should any appeals be forthcoming, following their evaluation the final ranking will be published within 20 days and the award of the scholarships will be communicated directly to the winners via the email address provided on the online student platform during application.

ART. 7 Acceptance and waiver

Within the peremptory term of 10 days from the date of receipt of the formal notice of the granting of the scholarship, made to the institutional e-mail address of the University, the assignee must send the Administration, under penalty of forfeiture, a declaration of acceptance, without reservations, of the same scholarship under the conditions of the selection announcement. The communication of the granting of the scholarship will be sent exclusively by e-mail, to the following address: marialuigia.loiudice@unibo.it

In case of renunciation by the winner, the amount relating to the scholarship will be made available to eligible competitors according to the order of the final ranking. Any non-assignable scholarships will be made available for the next Academic Year.

ART. 8 How the scholarships will be paid:

The scholarships will be paid as follows:

- The first tranche, of one third of the total value of the scholarship, will be paid to students identified as recipients of the incentive only:
 - ✓ after settlement of the full university fee in a single payment;
 - ✓ after settlement of the second instalment;
 - ✓ upon the deadline being passed for the first instalment if the student is exempt from this.

To be able to access payment of the remaining part of the scholarship, corresponding to the remaining two thirds, it will be necessary to possess the following requisites:

For students enrolled in the first year: payment of the second tranche is subject to prior verification of their possession of the following requisites:

- average grade in exams taken: 28/30 or above;
- minimum number of credits accumulated: 48 or more.
- the second tranche, constituting the total remaining amount of the scholarship, will be paid at the end of the examination session for academic year 2022 – 2023, upon sending certification of the exams sat and their relevant grades to the Programme Coordinator of the master's degree programme in Quantitative Finance, Dr. Maria Luigia Loiudice, at marialuigia.loiudice@unibo.it

For students enrolled in the second year: payment of the second tranche is subject to verification of their possession of the following requisites:

- average grade in exams sat during the second year of the degree programme: 28/30 or above;
- having passed all the exams required to complete their degree programme..
- the second tranche, constituting the total remaining amount of the scholarship, will be paid at the end of the examination session for academic year 2022 – 2023, upon sending certification of the exams sat and their relevant grades to the Programme Coordinator of the master's degree programme in Quantitative Finance, Dr. Maria Luigia Loiudice, at marialuigia.loiudice@unibo.it.

The payment will take place:

- ✓ by bank transfer to an IBAN current account in the student's name within the SEPA area;
- ✓ by bank transfer to an account in the student's name outside the SEPA area, with commission to be paid by the recipient.

ART. 9 Processing of personal data

Information on the processing of any personal data supplied with applications for participation is published on the university portal at: <https://www.unibo.it/it/ateneo/privacy-e-note-legali/privacy/trattamento-dei-dati-personali>.

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