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Disclaimer: Wherever, in the following text, the masculine form is used solely for the sake of simplicity, it shall be understood as referring inclusively to all persons.

Rector's decree

Call for Applications, for the admission of students holding non-EU citizenship **residing abroad** to the 2026/2027 Academic Year for Master's Degree Programs (two-year), based solely on qualifications.

The Rector

HAVING REGARD TO University's Statute;

HAVING REGARD TO University's Regulations;

HAVING REGARD TO University's Teaching Regulations;

HAVING REGARD TO Law No 241 of August 7, 1990, containing "New rules on administrative procedure and the right to access administrative documents" and subsequent modifications and integrations;

HAVING REGARD TO Law No 104 of February 5, 1992 "Framework-Law for assistance, social integration, and the rights of disabled people" and subsequent modifications and integrations;

HAVING REGARD TO Legislative Decree No. 286 of July 25, 1998, containing the "Consolidated Text of the provisions regarding the discipline of immigration and rules on the status of foreigners", as amended and supplemented;

HAVING REGARD TO Presidential Decree No. 445 of December 28, 2000, containing the "Consolidated Text of the legislative and regulatory provisions relating to administrative documentation";

HAVING REGARD TO the Decree of the Prime Minister of April 9, 2001, containing the "Uniformity of treatment regarding the right to university studies";

HAVING REGARD TO Law No 189 of July 30, 2002, art. 26 which regulates access to university courses for international students;

HAVING REGARD TO Prot. Note No 1256 of May 22, 2003 in which the Ministry of Education, University and Research has clarified the qualifications to be considered valid for the admission to university courses;

HAVING REGARD TO Presidential Decree No 334 of October 18, 2004 "Regulations containing integrating modifications of Presidential Decree No 394 of August 31, 1999 concerning provisions relating to immigration;

HAVING REGARD TO Legislative Decree No 82 of March 7, 2005, "Code of digital administration" and subsequent modifications and integrations;

HAVING REGARD TO Law No. 170 of October 8, 2010, "Provisions on Specific Learning Disorders in the Educational Context," and in particular Article 5, paragraph 4;

HAVING REGARD TO Ministerial Decree M.I.U.R. No. 5669 of July 12, 2011, containing "Guidelines on Specific Learning Disorders";

HAVING REGARD TO Legislative Decree No. 68 of March 29, 2012, containing the "Revision of the general provisions regarding the right to university studies and the enhancement of legally recognized university colleges";

HAVING REGARD TO the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679, as well as Legislative Decree No. 196 of June 30, 2003, containing the "Code regarding the protection of personal data", and

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Legislative Decree No. 101 of August 10, 2018, containing the “Regulation adapting national legislation to the provisions of the GDPR (EU) 2016/679”;

HAVING REGARD TO Ministerial Decree No. 773 of June 10, 2024, containing the “General Guidelines for the Programming of Universities 2024-2026”;

CONSIDERING the “Strategy for the Promotion Abroad of Italian Higher Education – Three-year period 2024-2026”, adopted through Interministerial Decree MUR-MAECI No. 1122 of August 1, 2024;

HAVING REGARD TO Ministerial Decree No. 166 of March 3, 2025, establishing the list of particularly poor countries, also characterized by a low Human Development Index. Pending the issuance of any future provisions, the aforementioned decree shall continue to apply.

HAVING REGARD TO the ministerial provisions relating to the “Procedures for the entry, stay, and enrollment of international students and the related recognition of qualifications for Higher Education Courses in Italy, valid for the 2025/2026 academic year,” as well as, pending their issuance, the ministerial provisions on the same subject valid for the 2026/2027 academic year, this call for applications complies with current legislation and shall be automatically adjusted to any provisions that may be issued in the future.

HAVING REGARD TO the communications from the Department Councils in which the places reserved for non-EU students for the two-year Master’s Degree Programs have been indicated;

HAVING REGARD TO the resolutions of the Academic Senate of January 29, 2026 and of the Board of Directors of January 30, 2026, concerning the Unicaladmission Call for Applications for the 2026/2027 academic year;

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Article 1 – Object, Call for Applications, and Available Places

The University of Calabria announces a competition, based on qualifications and, if applicable, a remote oral examination in English or Italian, for the admission of non-EU students residing abroad to the Master’s Degree Programs for the 2026/2027 academic year. The available places, both with and without a scholarship, for each Master’s Degree Program are listed in the table below.

NAME OF THE DEGREE PROGRAM	Language of Instruction	Number of places with scholarship	Number of places without scholarship
Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science	English	9	6
Mathematics	English	9	21
Chemistry	English	9	21
Finance and Insurance	English	9	11
Health Biotechnology	English	9	11
Physics	English	9	11
Civil Engineering for infrastructural regeneration	English	9	9
Ingegneria per l'ambiente e la sicurezza del territorio	English (Curriculum)	9	21
Robotics and Automation Engineering	English (Curriculum)	9	11



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Telecommunication Engineering: Smart Sensing, Computing and Networking	English	9	11
Scienza della Nutrizione	English (Curriculum)	9	11
Biodiversità e Conservazione dei Sistemi Naturali	Italian	1	4
Biologia	Italian	1	4
Data Science per le strategie aziendali	Italian	3	17
Economia, Imprese e Sostenibilità	Italian	3	17
Scienze Geologiche per la Gestione dei Rischi ambientali e le Georisorse	Italian	1	4
Digital Humanities	Italian	0	2
Lingue per la comunicazione internazionale	Italian	1	4
Scienze Pedagogiche	Italian	1	4
Ingegneria Energetica	Italian	0	5
Ingegneria Gestionale	Italian* Mandatory courses in English	1	10
Ingegneria Meccanica	Italian* Mandatory courses in English	2	7
Ingegneria Chimica	Italian	1	4
Ingegneria Elettronica	Italian	1	4
Ingegneria Informatica	Italian	0	2
Ingegneria Civile	Italian	1	7
Economia aziendale e management	Italian	3	17
Progettazione, innovazione e gestione delle destinazioni turistiche	Italian	1	4
Cooperazione, Sviluppo, Ecologia	Italian	1	4
Scienze della Politica e Istituzioni Internazionali	Italian	1	4
Scienze delle Politiche e dei Servizi Sociali	Italian	1	2
Scienze delle Pubbliche Amministrazioni	Italian	1	4
Scritture, immagini, media digitali	Italian	1	4
Filologia moderna	Italian	1	5
Linguaggi della comunicazione e dello spettacolo	Italian	1	6
Lingue e Letterature Moderne	Italian	1	5
Scienze dell'antichità	Italian	1	2
Scienze Filosofiche	Italian	1	6
Scienze storiche e del patrimonio culturale	Italian	1	6



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Article 2 - Admission requirements

Candidates eligible for the competition are non-EU citizens residing abroad who hold a university degree obtained abroad, recognized as valid for admission to Master's Degree Programs in Italy, in compliance with the admission requirements specified by each Degree Program at the following links:

- International Master's Degree Programs in English: <https://offertaformativa.unical.it/lm-internazionali-inglese/>
- Master's Degree Programs: <https://offertaformativa.unical.it/lm/>

Art. 3 Selection Procedure

The assessment of the applicant's adequate preparation, mandatory for admission, is carried out by a dedicated departmental committee through the evaluation of the curriculum vitae and a remote oral examination, aimed at verifying the candidate's competencies in the relevant disciplinary areas, their cultural background, and their knowledge of Italian or English, depending on the language of instruction of the Master's Degree Program.

The oral examination is conducted in the language of instruction of the Master's Degree Program (Italian or English [see table]) and is mandatory for all admitted candidates.

For each Degree Program, at least twice the number of candidates compared to the available places will be admitted to the oral examination, selected on the basis of the evaluation of the curriculum and submitted qualifications.

Article 4 – Application Procedure and Deadline

To participate in this Call for Applications, candidates must correctly complete the application form in all its parts and upload the required documents, under penalty of exclusion, by accessing the following link:

For information on how to complete the application form, please consult the guide available at the following link:

A fee of €10.00 is required to participate in the admission procedure

Candidates applying for scholarship-funded places must declare a household income below the following thresholds:

- €26,500 if the candidate is independent from their family of origin;
- €41,500 if the candidate belongs to a family unit composed of two members;
- €54,000 if the candidate belongs to a family unit composed of three or more members.

Candidates applying for places without scholarship must declare a household income above the following thresholds:

- €26,500 if the candidate is independent from their family of origin;
- 41,500 if the candidate belongs to a family unit composed of two members;
- €54,000 if the candidate belongs to a family unit composed of three or more members

Applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM (Italian time) on **March 30, 2026**.



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Article 5 – Rankings

For each Degree Program, two merit rankings will be drawn up based on the evaluation of the qualifications held and, where applicable, an online interview in English or Italian: one for scholarship-funded places and one for places without scholarship. In the event of a tie, the younger candidate will prevail.

Successful candidates in the merit rankings, with or without a scholarship, published on the website <https://www.unical.it/internazionale/international-students/unical-admission/>, will receive at the email address provided in the application form the instructions and deadlines to proceed with enrollment.

Article 6 – Enrollment and Fees

Enrollment must be completed exclusively through the portal <https://unical.esse3.cineca.it> by navigating to Menu → Registrar's Office → Enrollment, with payment of the university fees as follows:

- €18.75 for the winners of the places reserved for scholarship recipients;
- €1,000 for the winners of the places without scholarship;

Payment of fees must be made exclusively online within the enrollment deadlines, which will be announced concurrently with the publication of the merit rankings. Payments made using methods other than those indicated do not constitute proof of enrollment and do not entitle the payer to a refund. Please note that the enrollment fee is non-refundable under any circumstances, regardless of any subsequent withdrawal from studies or failure to complete the enrollment process.

Enrollment completed prior to arrival at the University of Calabria is considered “conditional.” The final deadline for “conditional” enrollment in the chosen Master's Degree Program is **June 10, 2026**. Failure to complete enrollment according to the procedures and deadlines indicated above will result in the forfeiture of the right to enrollment.

Enrollment will be finalized only upon in-person identification, by presenting the passport at the Welcome Office of the Internationalization Area. Failure to complete the identification **by 30 October 2026** will result in the cancellation of enrollment and the revocation of any benefits that may have been granted.

Article 7 – Admission by Ranking Reallocation

Any places that remain vacant after the enrollment phase referred to in Article 5 will be allocated through the reallocation of the respective ranking.

The reallocation will be carried out by **July 16, 2026**. Candidates admitted through ranking reallocation in the merit lists published on the <https://www.unical.it/internazionale/international-students/unical-admission/> must complete conditional enrollment in the chosen Master's Degree Program **by July 31, 2026**.

Failure to complete enrollment according to the procedures and deadlines indicated above will result in the forfeiture of the right to enrollment.

Enrollment will be finalized as indicated in the previous article.

Article 8 – Declaration of Value

After enrollment, candidates must submit to the Internationalization Area, Welcome Office, Via Savinio – Residential Center area, by the first exam session of the 2026/2027 academic year, their foreign degree accompanied by an official translation into Italian, authenticated by the competent Italian Diplomatic Representation or provided with an Apostille. **Furthermore, candidates are required to submit a Declaration of Value, issued by the competent Italian Diplomatic Representation or, alternatively, a certification issued by ENIC-NARIC centers (www.enic-naric.net) in Italian or English, such as the Certificate of Comparability**



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and the Certificate of Verification of the foreign degree issued by CIMEA, by February 28, 2027 at the latest. Failure to submit within the established deadlines will result in the suspension of academic records and the inability to sit exams. Academic records will be reactivated upon submission of the above-mentioned documentation.

Article 9 – Scholarships and Benefits

The scholarship will be awarded to candidates selected for the “scholarship places” referred to in Article 3.

Compliance with the financial requirements set out in Article 3 must be demonstrated by submitting the ISEE Parificato (Equivalent ISEE) no later than October 30, 2026.

The ISEE Parificato is issued in Italy on the basis of income relating to the year 2024 and assets held as of December 31, 2024, and the relevant documentation must:

- be issued by the competent authorities of the territory in which the income was generated and the assets are held;
- be translated into Italian and legalized by the competent Italian Diplomatic Authorities for the relevant territory or, where applicable, bear an Apostille in accordance with the legislation in force.

Information on the procedures for translation and legalization of foreign documents is available on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation at the following link: [Traduzione e legalizzazione dei documenti](#)

For students coming from “particularly poor and developing countries,” documentation proving compliance with income requirements shall be replaced by a certification issued by the competent Italian Representation in the country of origin, certifying that the student does not belong to a family known to be of high income and high social status.

The scholarship includes the enrollment fee, free accommodation, and the Campus canteen service, as well as a pocket money of approximately €3,600, which will be paid, after the completion of the enrolment procedures referred to in Articles 6 and 7, in accordance with what is further detailed in the procedures for the allocation of the benefits relating to the right to education.

Students who fail to obtain at least 20 ECTS credits by November 30, 2027 shall be required to repay the amounts received.

In order to be eligible for the scholarship also for the following academic year (a.y. 2027/2028), students must obtain at least 30 ECTS credits by August 10, 2027 and must mandatorily resubmit the application by the deadline that will be communicated to them (July 2027).

Scholarship recipients shall receive, in the acceptance letter sent by the University of Calabria through the University portal, all operational instructions, procedures, and deadlines to be complied with in order to benefit from the scholarship, under penalty of exclusion.

Article 10 – Language proficiency (English or Italian)

The assessment of the language proficiency required for admission to a Master’s Degree Program, either in Italian or English, will be conducted through an online interview.

Candidates intending to apply for a Master’s Degree Program taught in Italian may, if the University deems it appropriate and activates them, participate in online Italian language and culture courses aimed at preparing for the language assessment. The activation of such courses and the related procedures will be announced on the institutional website (<https://www.unical.it/internazionale/international-students/>).



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Successful candidates in the admission procedures, once they arrive in Italy, may make use of the University's language services, within the limits of available resources and according to the procedures and timelines established by the University.

Article 11 – Officer Responsible for the Procedure

The officer responsible for this procedure is Dr. Gianpiero Barbuto.

Article 12 – Verifications

Declarations will be subject to verification by the administrative staff appointed by the University. In the case of a false declaration, action will be taken in accordance with Article 71 of Presidential Decree No. 445 of 2000.

Article 13 – Processing of Personal Data

The Data Controller is the University of Calabria.

The Data Protection Officers are Dr. Gianfranca Russo (email: gianfranca.russo@unical.it) Dr. Gianpiero Barbuto (email: unicaladmission@unical.it) and Dr. Massimo Colafati (email: dirittoallostudio@unical.it)

The Data Protection Officer is Lawyer Sergio Niger (email: rpd@unical.it). Personal data will be processed for institutional purposes in compliance with EU Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR) and Legislative Decree No. 196/2003. For further details, please refer to the information provided in Appendix A.

The Rector

Gianluigi GRECO

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Appendix A

Information pursuant to Article 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR)

This information notice constitutes a fulfillment of the requirements set out by EU Regulation 2016/679, the General Data Protection Regulation (hereinafter, GDPR), which, pursuant to Article 13, establishes the obligation to provide data subjects with the necessary information to ensure the lawful and transparent processing of their personal data. This notice is addressed to those carrying out their work activities at the University of Calabria.

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Purpose and Legal Basis of Processing

The data subject to processing, provided at the time of application for admission to degree programs or, subsequently, upon successful completion of this phase, at the time of enrollment and throughout the study program until the final degree examination, are collected and used within the limits established by law, regulations, or treaties for institutional purposes. Processing is carried out in compliance with the general principles of lawfulness, transparency, fairness, accuracy, data minimization, confidentiality, and integrity as set out in Article 5 of the GDPR, and the data will be processed exclusively for the performance of administrative and educational activities. The University may also process personal data for statistical and scientific purposes, including to support the analysis and improvement of teaching, research, and student support services.

Processing Methods and Data Subjects

The requested and collected personal data are gathered and processed both in paper form and by electronic (computerized) means for purposes related to the performance of the University's institutional activities.

The determination of tuition fees and contributions involves the University accessing the income data of the student's family unit. The data are primarily processed through computerized systems and are intended for the purpose of determining tuition fees and university contributions.

The data are also disclosed to Public Authorities responsible for inspections (by way of example, the Italian Revenue Agency, INPS, the Financial Police, and the Police Headquarters)

Any special categories of data and/or judicial data will be processed in compliance with the GDPR and in accordance with the University of Calabria's Regulations on the Processing of Sensitive and Judicial Data.

The provision of certain personal data (surname, first name, residence, tax code, email) and the submission of copies, including digital copies, of the following documents (e.g., passport, residence permit, documentation certifying the qualifications held) is necessary for establishing the relationship between the student and the University. Therefore, the provision of such data is mandatory. In the absence of such data, the University will not be able to establish the relationship or process the related administrative procedure.



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Data Subject Rights

Data subjects have the right to obtain from the Data Controller, where applicable, access to their personal data, as well as the rectification or erasure of such data, the restriction of processing concerning them, or to object to the processing (Articles 15 et seq. of the GDPR).

These rights may be exercised by writing to the Data Controller.

If you are a minor, before providing your data to the University, please read this information carefully together with your parents or legal guardians.

Further details are available at: unical.it/privacy.