

#### SELECTION CALL FOR DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAM MOBILITY DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

University of Milan - UNIMI has established an agreement with Maastricht University - MU for the activation of a Double Degree program, the "Corso di Laurea magistrale in Scienze cognitive e processi decisionali - SCO" of UNIMI and the "Master of Science in Psychology" of MU.

On the basis of the agreement,  $n^{\circ} 2$  places are available to study abroad at Partner University.

#### Study program provisions

The study abroad period will last one academic year and will take place during the second year of Master Degree. It will be recognized as part of the academic program.

The study abroad period will be agreed and formalized through a Learning Agreement signed between the academic coordinators of both Universities (Home and Host Institution) and the student, prior to departure. A draft of L.A. will be provided.

UNIMI students taking part in the Double Degree program will simultaneously be recognized as MU students registered in the "Master of Science in Psychology", according to the study plan they choose to follow during their second year at MU (see below, Annex 1).

The participants will write their Master's thesis at MU under the co-direction of one supervisor of MU and one of UNIMI; the thesis will be defended once back to UNIMI, with the participation of the UM Committee in videoconference.

#### **Admission requirements**

The following eligibility requirements must be satisfied when applying:

- candidates must be regularly enrolled, in the current academic year, in SCO program as first-year students
- candidates must prove a no lower than B2 English proficiency level.



#### **Mobility requirements**

Only regular students enrolled in their second year of the SCO master's during academic year 2025/2026 will be enabled to take part in the international study program. The status of student, guaranteed by the regular payment of UNIMI fees, must be maintained for the entire duration of the study period abroad.

Also the following requirements must be satisfied, by July, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025\*:

a applicants must have achieved 18 ECTS in methodology and statistics courses during their study program;

b. applicants must have passed either the IELTS English language proficiency test (at least 6.5) or TOEFL (at least 575 paper - based, 233 computer-based, or 90 internet –based)

\*Selected students will communicate the above-mentioned information by contacting <u>scienzecognitive@unimi.it</u>.

# Attention: should it not be allowed to reach the destination country, upon the consent of the Partner University, the exchange program will be held on a virtual basis.

#### **Application procedure**

Applicants must submit their application through the platform <u>elixForms</u>.

Documents required are the following:

- 1. copy of a valid identity document (pdf);
- 2. curriculum vitae (pdf);
- 3. screenshot of the UNIMIA page showing matricola number, list of exams taken and average marks; graduate students must also submit the screenshot of the UNIMIA page showing



their previous career and graduation grade; students that have graduated in a different University than UNIMI must also fill up the form <u>Dichiarazione sostitutiva di iscrizione, conseguimento</u> <u>titolo, esami (box 2)</u> or, if available, submit the certification issued by the University where they graduated, with the information related to their undergraduate degree and career records (pdf).

Note that the selected students will be required to present the original "Pergamena di Laurea" once at MU; MU will make a copy of the document for internal administrative use;

- 4. letter of motivation (pdf), where the student will specify the track chosen (see Annex 1);
- 5. English proficiency certificate (IELTS or TOEFL) or SLAM certificate of level/Placement test (pdf);
- 6. any other document or qualification deemed relevant to the selection (pdf).

#### **Application deadline**

All the documents required must be sent by **May 22, 2025 at 12 pm** (Italian local time), under penalty of exclusion from the selection.

#### **Selection procedures**

The applications will be assessed by a selection committee, chaired by Prof. Alessandra Gorini and composed by Prof. Ilaria Cutica and Dr. Giovanni Aiello.

The committee will interview the applicants on **May 26, 2025** at **10.30 am** via videoconference on the platform Microsoft Teams, the link to access the Teams classroom will be sent to the candidates.

Participation in the interview is mandatory, under penalty of exclusion from the selection procedure.

After completing the interviews, the committee will rank the candidates according to their merit. For each candidate the overall score will be obtained by summing up the following partial scores:

- 1. previous academic career (bachelor career: grades and exams): up to 12,5/100;
- 2. grades obtained in the exams taken in the  $1^{st}$  year in SCO program: up to 37,5/100;



- 3. CV and any other document or qualification deemed relevant to the selection: up to 5/100;
- 4. motivations letter (with reference to the track chosen): up to 15/100;
- 5. proficiency in English: up to 10/100;
- 6. interview: up to 20/100

Only candidates with an overall score of at least 80/100 will qualify for the international double degree program.

#### **Selection results**

The final ranking will be published online on the University of Milan website <u>here</u> by June 3, 2025 . No personal communication will be sent to the candidates.

The positions of winners of the ranking will be automatically confirmed as selected candidates. Any withdrawal must be sent within 3 days from the online publication of the ranking, through this <u>link</u>.

Ufficio Mobilità internazionale e per la Promozione internazionale (The Office) will contact any eligible student who will replace the renouncer in the ranking.

The Office will send the data of the selected candidates to the Host Universities for final approval.

All the information necessary for this purpose will be communicated by e-mail. It will be the responsibility of the selected student to carefully check the e-mail address communicated at the time of application: it is recommended to use an address clearly showing name and surname.

#### **Insurance coverage**

During their stay abroad, the selected students will be covered by UNIMI insurance for third party liability and accidents, exclusively during the carrying out of institutional activities at the host university.

#### **Mobility costs**

For the attendance of the courses, the host University will waive tuition and fees. Travel and accommodation expenses, including any supplementary insurance, are borne by the student,



except as indicated below.

#### **Financial aspects**

The University of Milan will award a grant according to the student's income, based on ISEE statement as already submitted to Divisione Segreterie Studenti.

For information purposes only, below are specified the awarding criteria.

ISEE (€)	Monthly allowance (€)
less or equal to 13.000	500
from 13.000 to 21.000	450
from 21.000 to 26.000	400
from 26.000 to 30.000 and further	350

The amount of the grant corresponds to the actual period of mobility spent abroad. Should it last shorter than that established by the call will result in a partial refund of the grant itself.

#### Important Notice for International Students

Please note that International students whose household resides and has their income abroad, are not required to submit their ISEE. Therefore, the monthly allowance is not calculated on their ISEE University value but on the predetermined income values linked to the group their country of origin has been assigned to, according to the <u>University's Regulation on Tuition and Fees</u>.

#### Confidentiality

Pursuant to EU Regulation 2016/679 GDPR and Legislative Decree no. 196/2003 and ss. mm. ii, with regard to the protection of personal data, the Institution undertakes to respect the confidential nature of the information provided by the Participant: all data provided will be processed only for the purposes connected and instrumental to participation in the Program. Information on the implementation of legislation on the processing of personal data is available on the <u>University website</u> at: Home> University> Regulations> Privacy.



#### Contacts

Further information on didactic issues will be provided by the academic coordinator, <u>Prof. Alessandra</u> <u>Gorini.</u>

For information on administrative issues related to the call and to all aspects relating to mobility, students are invited to consult our Guide to the Double Degree Mobility (available <u>here</u>). They may also get in touch with the Office at <u>international.education@unimi.it</u>.

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#### Annex 1- Agreed curriculum for the <u>'Master's Program'</u>

#### A. STUDENTS OF UNIMI AS HOME UNIVERSITY

#### FIRST YEAR AT UNIMI

course name	ECTS
Basi anatomo-fisiologiche dei processi cognitivi	
- Modulo: Fisiologia (6 ECTS)	
- Modulo: Neurologia (3 ECTS)	9
Intelligenza artificiale e intelligenza umana: il presente e il	
futuro delle scienze cognitive	9
Etica dei Processi Decisionali in Biomedicina	6
Metodologia della ricerca cognitiva	9
Psicologia cognitiva	9
Psicologia delle decisioni	9
An elective module	9
Total minimum of	60

#### SECOND YEAR AT MU

course name	ECTS	
General description (*for available tracks, see below)		
Compulsory modules of chosen Master track	20/30	
Co-supervised Master's Thesis Project		
The student will write his/her Master's Thesis in		
ENGLISH. The thesis will be co-supervised by MU and		
UNIMI. The thesis defense will take place at UNIMI.	40/30	
Total of	60	



#### AVAILABLE MASTER TRACKS AT MU:

#### WORK AND ORGANISATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY (WOP)

course name	ECTS
Work and Organisational Psychology	
Problem-Based Learning (training for Non-UM Students)	-
Work Psychology	5
Human Resources	5
Organisation and Cognition	5
Human Performance	5
Practical training: Job Analysis	-
Practical training: What is it like to be a Work and	
Organisational Psychologist?	-
Practical training: Conflict Management	-
Practical training: Data Analyses	-
Professional Skills and Activity Report	10
Research Methods for Work and Organisational	
Psychologists	0
Research Proposal	5
Research Internship	17
Master's Thesis	8
Total minimum of	60



#### Neuropsychology (NP)

course name	ECTS
Neuropsychology	I
Problem-Based Learning (training for Non-UM Students)	-
Brain Damage	4
Behavioural Disorders	4
Arousal and Attention	4
Ageing	4
Practical Training: Neuropsychological Assessment	2
Practical Training: Basic Cognitive Psychological Skill	2
Academic Skills and Research Proposal	5
The Research Internship	25
Master's Thesis	10
Total minimum of	60



#### Health and Social Psychology (HSP)

course name	ECTS	
Health and Social Psychology		
Problem-Based Learning (training for Non-UM Students)	-	
Self-Regulation	5	
Manipulation	5	
Bad Habits	5	
Planning Behaviour Change	5	
Practical Training: Increasing Self-regulation through	_	
Practice		
Practical Training: Manipulation Strategies	-	
Practical Training: Make your own IAT!	-	
Practical Training: Applying Theories	-	
Academic Skills and Research Proposal	5	
Research Internship	25	
Master's Thesis	10	
Total minimum of	60	