

SELECTION CALL FOR THE ADMISSION TO A STUDENT EXCHANGE AND TRAINEESHIP ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020 CORSO DI LAUREA MAGISTRALE IN LETTERE MODERNE

The University of Milan invites applications for an academic study period at **Bard College** (**Annandale, NY - USA**) in the frame of an academic agreement involving students of "Corso di laurea magistrale in Lettere Moderne".

One student will be selected to spend one academic year (**9 months**: from August, 2019 to May, 2020) at Bard College. Once selected the student will attend courses and take exams, carry out dissertation work, and serve as an Italian Foreign Language Exchange Tutor (FLET) at Bard College.

Study abroad provisions

The study period abroad will be recognized as part of the academic program.

The study plan to be carried out abroad 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.

Admission requirements

Applicants for participation in the exchange program must be **at least in their second year** of the Master Degree Program in Modern Humanities during academic year 2018-2019. **Students more than one year behind their study program (fuori corso) can not apply.**

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The following eligibility requirements must be satisfied when applying:

- applicants must be regular students of the Master Degree Program in Modern Humanities;
- applicants' weighted cumulative grade point average must be no less than 27/30;
- applicants' CFU credits must be no less than 45;
- applicants must have their dissertation work already in progress;
- preferably applicants will qualify as Italian Language Teachers for Foreigners;
- applicants must prove their English proficiency, level B2 or higher, through an official language certification: **TOEFL**, **IELTS**, **ESOL**.

Proficiency statements made by a language teacher whatsoever will not qualify.



Likewise, credits earned in "Accertamento delle conoscenze linguistiche" during the students' academic studies will not qualify, unless they have been issued as a result of the students' participation in a language course organized by <u>Servizio Linguistico dell'Ateneo di Milano -</u> <u>SLAM</u>, therefore accompanied by the certificate of level previously referred to.

If students do not have any valid language certification, they can prove their English language skills by submitting a certificate of level issued by SLAM: students can register to SLAM test <u>here</u> (test are scheduled on these <u>dates</u>).

English language skills will at any rate be tested during the interview.

Mobility requirements

Only regular students registered in the Master Degree Program in Lettere Moderne during academic year 2019/2020 will be eligible to spend a study period at Bard College. Selected candidate will be allowed to spend her/his study period at the host University only if she/he has earned a minimum of 60 ECTS before beginning the mobility. Students must keep being registered at the University of Milan all over their study period abroad.

Application procedure

Documents required for admission in the exchange program between University of Milan and Bard College are the following:

- 1. copy of the identity card or passport (pdf/jpeg);
- 2. curriculum vitae (pdf);
- screenshot of the UNIMIA page with the grades obtained in all the exams taken, including the grade point average. Activities not yet registered on UNIMIA page must be enclosed as well (pdf/jpeg);
- 4. draft of the study plan to be carried out abroad (pdf);
- 5. statement of purpose in English (a letter explaining the personal motivations for the mobility pdf);
- 6. dissertation work (pdf);
- 7. certification of previous experience as an Italian Language Teacher, if any (pdf/jpeg);
- 8. English proficiency certificate or SLAM certificate of level (pdf/jpeg).



Applicants must submit their application along with all the relevant documents through the online <u>platform elixForms.</u>

Deadline: 28th of June at 10 am (Italian local time).

Selection procedure

The applications will be assessed by a selection committee, chaired by Prof. Martino Marazzi and constituted by Prof. Bruno Falcetto and Prof.ssa Laura Neri.

After examining the applicants' dossiers, the committee will interview the candidates on **July**, 2nd, **2019**, at **9 am** at Aula Seminari - Sezione Modernistica (ground floor), Dept. of "Studi letterari filologici e linguistici", via Festa del Perdono 7.

Applicants unable to attend the interview due to circumstances beyond their control must forward any relevant supporting documentation by e-mail to the academic coordinator, Professor Martino Marazzi. The Committee may decide to interview these applicants via video-conference.

After completing the interviews, the committee will rank the candidates according to their merit.

For each candidate the overall score will be obtained by adding the following four partial scores:

- 1. curriculum vitae/academic career and grades obtained (up to 30/100);
- 2. statement of purpose/ study plan (up to 30/100);
- 3. proficiency in English (up to 25/100);
- 4. experience as an Italian Language Teacher (up to 15/100).

Only candidates achieving an overall score of at least 80/100 will qualify for the exchange program. The final ranking will be published online on the University of Milan website <u>here</u>, by the **5th of July**, **2019**. No personal communication will be sent to the candidates.

Applicants in the first position of the ranking must formally accept to enter the program within 3 days from the online publication of the ranking, through this <u>link</u>.

If the selected candidate's e-mail of acceptance is not received by the specified deadline, the same candidate loses her/his right to enter the program.



Ufficio Accordi e Progetti Internazionali per la Didattica e la Formazione will send the data of the selected candidate to the Host University for final approval.

Upon partner University's acceptance, Ufficio Accordi e Progetti Internazionali per la Didattica e la Formazione will contact selected student for information on administrative issues.

Financial aspects

Exchange student will pay tuition and fees to the Home University. The Host University will waive tuition and fees.

Exchange students will be covered with civil liability insurance and accident insurance provided by the University of Milan during the performance of their study activities at the Host University. Exchange students will personally provide for medical insurance coverage during their stay abroad. The University of Milan will award a grant towards travel and living costs abroad. The university grant will be awarded according to the student's income, based on ISEE statement as already submitted to Divisione Segreterie Studenti.

The awarding criteria will be as follows:

ISEE	Monthly allowance
less or equal to 13.000 euros	700 euros
from 13.000 to 21.000 euros	650 euros
from 21.000 to 26.000 euros	600 euros
from 26.000 to 30.000 euros	550 euros
from 30.000 to 50.000 euros and further	350 euros

Confidentiality

According to the Law the University shall fully respect the confidential nature of any information furnished by the candidates: said information will only be processed for the purposes of the selection call, the formalization of any relation between the University and the candidates and the management of the relation thereof.



Contacts

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

General information about the partner University is available on the <u>Bard College's website</u>. For information on administrative issues students are invited to contact Ufficio Accordi e Progetti Internazionali per la Didattica e la Formazione, <u>international.education@unimi.it</u>.

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