



University of Padua FACTSHEET

Information for Partners and Incoming Students

Joint Programmes (Double and Joint Degrees)

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# 1 General information

#### Institutional details

Full name: Università degli Studi di Padova

Erasmus code: I-PADOVA01 Website: www.unipd.it

# **International Relations Division Projects & Mobility Office**

## **Mobility Unit**

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#### **Useful websites**

Joint/Double Degrees – Incoming students

**Course Catalogue Key Academic Dates** Welcome Days

**Healthcare and Primary Services** 

International mobility for students with disabilities

#### Social networks

https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/

https://it-it.facebook.com/universitypadova/

https://www.instagram.com/unipd https://twitter.com/UniPadova

# 2 Nomination and Application

#### **Nominations:**

Partner Universities should send students' official nominations by e-mail to: mobility.in@unipd.it

#### Nomination deadlines\*:

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th March to 30th April Spring Terms – from 1st September to 15th October

\*Should a partner not be able to send the nominations before the deadline, they should inform Unipd in advance: <a href="mailto:mobility.in@unipd.it">mobility.in@unipd.it</a>

## **Applications:**

All the required documents should be sent though the online Application form only. Students should send by email only supplementary/missing documents not available at the time of filling the online form.

Application instructions will be e-mailed to all nominated students.

Further info: <u>Joint/Double Degrees – Incoming students</u>

#### **Application deadlines:**

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th April to 15th June Spring Terms – from 1st October to 15th November

#### Required documents\*

- Passport/ID card
- Passport style and format photo
- Previous study diplomas and Transcript of records (University level)
- Previous study diplomas (Secondary education level/High School)
- Health and travel insurance (if already owned)
- European residence permit or visa (if any)

We accept diplomas and transcripts in: Italian, English, Spanish, French, Portuguese

<sup>\*</sup>To be submitted through the online Application form and anyway before starting the mobility period.

# 3 Accommodation and Canteens

#### **Residence Halls**

Although double and joint degree students' requests for on-campus accommodation are prioritised, non-European students' requests will be favoured (in consideration of the visa requirements about accommodation).

Given the very limited number of rooms available in the dorms, we advise European students to look for private accommodation and to start looking at least 6 months in advance (Padua has a large student population: finding accommodation may be very difficult). Therefore we warmly recommend that students invited to request a place in the dorms take advantage of this opportunity, keeping in mind that the number of rooms is in any case very limited.

#### **Accommodation form:**

#### **Deadlines:**

students will be personally invited by email to fill out the Accommodation form around May/June and October/November.

#### Costs:

Price range: € 245 - € 350 per month Booking fee: € 350 to be paid in advance

Further information regarding on-campus accommodation in Unipd is available at: <a href="https://www.unipd.it/en/accommodation-jointdouble-degrees">https://www.unipd.it/en/accommodation-jointdouble-degrees</a>

#### Housing contracts duration

The accommodation offers sent by SASSA Service will report standard dates of start/end, which correspond to the duration of the semesters. Students can always ask for customised start/end dates if their stay differs <u>considerably</u> from the standard dates. Students may have to arrange an alternative accommodation if they arrive earlier than their place is available.

## **Private housing**

As an alternative to on-campus accommodation, students can search for private rooms/apartments on *HousingAnywhere*, an international housing platform through which they can book a room/apartment offered by verified private landlords and by outgoing students.

To receive a Unipd VIP profile and priority access to the listings: https://www.unipd.it/housinganywhere-pd-en

#### **Canteens**

There are 4 University canteens all around the city and 1 canteen in Agripolis Campus. Price Range for exchange students: € 4,60 - € 5,70 per meal
The canteen service is provided by ESU – Regional Agency for the Right to Study:
<a href="https://www.esu.pd.it/en/our-main-activities/food-services-canteens">https://www.esu.pd.it/en/our-main-activities/food-services-canteens</a>

# 4 Academic life

## **Academic calendar**

The organisation of the academic activities in trimesters or semesters depends on the degree course, not on the choice of students. The term system on which the course unit is based is displayed in the Course Catalogue.

	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Welcome Days - Autumn term												
Intensive Italian language course												
Biannual Italian language course												
First semester classes												
First semester exams												
First trimester classes												
First trimester exams												
Second trimester classes												
Second trimester exams												
Welcome Days - Spring term												
Intensive Italian language course												
Biannual Italian language course												
Second semester classes												
Second semester exams												
Third trimester classes												
Third trimester exams												

#### **Semester System**

First (winter) Semester\*
Classes, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023 – 20th January 2024
Exams, 22nd January – 24th February 2024

Second (spring) semester Classes, 26th February – 15th June 2024 Exams, 17th June – 20th July 2024

\*Exceptions: in the 1st semester the Master's degree in Forest Science starts on 25/09/23; most classes start on the 2nd October. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester the Bachelor's degrees in Dietetics and Nursing may start on 05/02/23. Please check the timetable for each course unit.

#### **Trimester System**

First (fall) Trimester Classes, 2nd October – 2nd December 2023 Exams, 4th December – 20th December 2023

Second (winter) Trimester Classes, 8th January – 16th March 2024 Exams, 18th March – 3rd April 2024

Third (spring) Trimester
Classes, 10th April – 15th June 2024
Exams, 17th June – 20th July 2024

#### Recommended arrival dates and ORIENTATION

Orientation activities usually take place before classes begin or during the first week of classes Further information: <a href="https://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days-mobility">https://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days-mobility</a>

## **Credit and grading**

Unipd uses the ECTS credit transfer system. The grades for each exam successfully passed can range from 18 to 30. In case of exceptional performance, the grade is 30 cum laude. In some courses, the grade can be expressed instead as "fail", "sufficient", "satisfactory", "good", "very good" or "excellent". For other courses and activities, such as the Italian Language Laboratory for exchange students (3 ECTS), the positive assessment is not expressed in terms of a grade but simply as "Pass".

#### Standard course load

30 ECTS is the standard full-time semester load for degree seeking students.

1 ECTS credit equals 25 hours of study, including contact hours and self-study.

## **Course registration**

Students do not need to formally enroll in course units.

Two online platforms are used for course and exam registration:

- -"Moodle" teaching platforms: to access online teaching, updated info and teaching material, it is required to register in each course unit before classes start.
- -"Uniweb" student portal: students must fill out a study plan here, which will allow them to sign up for exams at the end of the classes. The course coordinator will tell students when they can fill out the study plan.

#### **Timetable**

The start and end dates mentioned in the course catalogue are the general term dates. You can check the real start date of your classes on the <u>timetable portal</u> (fully updated a few weeks before the start of the courses).

#### **Examinations**

Each exam session usually offers 2 exam dates for each course. It is possible to sit an exam on the first date and then re-sit it on the second date in case of failure (unless formally prohibited by the responsible Professor).

# 5 Pre-departure

#### Website

https://www.unipd.it/en/studying-padova/international-joint-programmes/procedures-incoming-students/your-arrival-doublejoint

	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Nomination												
Application form												
Accommodation form												
Book WD restricted events												
Orientation/Welcome Days												
Arrival												

## Visa and residence permit

Non-EU students residing in non-EU countries must apply for a visa before arriving in Italy.

#### Please refer to:

<u>Before your arrival - See Step 6</u> http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en

#### **Health Insurance**

**EU students** can use the <u>EHIC - European</u> <u>Health Insurance Card</u> for emergency healthcare.

Health insurances/cards for non-EU students must be valid for the whole duration of the stay. For private insurance, the insurance company must guarantee a medical coverage of at least Euro 30.000 and coverage of emergency medical evacuation and repatriation of remains. It must also have an agency or an emergency contact based in Italy.

The detailed minimum requirements must be checked with the Italian embassy of reference, since they may vary depending on the embassy.

Students don't need to provide the insurance at the time of completing the Application form, they can send it later by email to <a href="mailto:mobility.in@unipd.it">mobility.in@unipd.it</a>.

A few <u>tips on international insurances</u> are also available in our online Application form.

## **Cost of living**

- Average living costs: € 800-900/month (including grocery shopping + accommodation and bills + personal extras)
- Accommodation in a dorm: € 245 €350/month
- Private accommodation: €400- €600/month
- Canteen: € 4,60 € 5,70/meal
- Grocery shopping: around € 70/week
- Residence permit: around € 100/one time

#### Find out more here!

## Italian language course

The University Language Centre (CLA) offers one free course to all students joint programmes students:

http://cla.unipd.it/en/courses/italian-courses/

Students may attend either an intensive Italian language course before the start of the semester (Communicative course) or a biannual course during the semester.

Only the first course attended will be free of charge.

The Communicative course does not award any ECTS credits. The Biannual course awards 3 ECTS.

#### Other online activities

Students will be informed by e-mail of any other online opportunities they can take part in before their arrival in Padua (such as: <a href="mailto:eTandem">eTandem</a> learning organised by the Language centre; webinars organised by the <a href="mailto:GaragErasmus">GaragErasmus</a> association; intercultural workshops, etc.).

#### **SAOS**

## **Welcome Service for Foreign Guests**

This desk of the International Relations Division assists extra-EU students on immigration-related procedures upon their arrival.

#### **SASSA**

The SASSA Service desk from ESU (Regional Agency for the Right to Study) manages the accommodation in the student residence halls and the canteens.

## **Buddy Service**

All non EU students will be assigned a tutor "Buddy" student (i.e. a senior University student) before their arrival in Padua. EU students will be able to request a Buddy. The Buddy will welcome and support exchange students during their stay.

Buddies will contact students using their institutional e-mail account @studenti.unipd.it before the start of the semester activities.

# Students with disabilities or learning difficulties

The Student Services Office organises specific initiatives for students with disabilities who wish to participate in an exchange programme.

Students with disabilities or learning difficulties and vulnerable students can arrange for favourable conditions and accommodations during their stay in Padua by informing the Student Services Office of their condition before they arrive.

https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusioninternational-mobility

## **Psychological and Psychiatric assistance**

The Psychological Assistance Service and the Psychiatric Consultancy Service are a point of reference for any students who encounter psychological difficulties during their studies, personal problems or unease (anxiety, relationship problems, and academic performance).

Both services are completely free of charge for all students of the University of Padua.

<u>Healthcare and Primary Services | Università di</u> Padova (unipd.it)

## **University Language Centre (CLA)**

<u>CLA - Italian language course for Incoming Students</u>

http://cla.unipd.it/en/

# **University Sport Centre (CUS)**

Sport (athletics, rugby, volleyball, basketball, boat races...) both at competitive and amateur levels; two sport facilities in Padua and a gym.

Home | CUS Padova CusFIT gym

## **ESN - ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK**

The association of volunteer students who support students during their international mobility in Padua.

ESN assists students by answering their questions and helping them in dealing with any kind of issue they might have.

ESN also organises activities, trips and parties to promote Italian culture with the aim to create a positive environment where everybody can feel at ease and make new friends.

ESN Padova - Erasmus Student Network

# 7 Contacts

## **Mobility Unit - Central Desk**

Ms Elisa Zambon mobility.in@unipd.it

Students and Partner Universities can contact the central desk about:

- Nomination/Application procedure
- Accommodation
- Visa/Residence permit procedures
- Arrival and Attendance certificates, if needed
- Orientation/Welcome Days
- Buddy Service

## Joint Programme coordinators at the Department

Students and Partner Universities can contact the Joint Programme coordinators at the Department about:

- Choice of courses, study plan
- Course contents, syllabus
- Academic advice and support
- Learning Agreement changes (if applicable)

## Mobility Unit desks at the School/Department

Students and Partner Universities can contact the Mobility desks at the School/Department about:

- Information about the School/Department services (Libraries, tutors, study rooms, etc.)

#### Full contact list:

Desks and contacts | Università di Padova (unipd.it)