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Information for Partners and Incoming Students
Joint Programmes (Double and Joint Degrees)

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1 General information

Institutional details

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Erasmus code: I-PADOVA01
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Useful websites

[Joint/Double Degrees – Incoming students](#)
[Course Catalogue](#)
[Key Academic Dates](#)
[Starter kit: Welcome Days, Services and Healthcare](#)
[International mobility for students with disabilities](#)
[UniverCity Life: Basic info for incoming students](#)

Social networks

<https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/>
<https://www.instagram.com/unipd>
<https://x.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: mobility.in@unipd.it*

Applications:

All the required documents should be sent through 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: [Joint/Double Degrees – Incoming students](#)

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 and Portuguese

**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: € 290 - € 420 per month

Booking fee: € 380 to be paid in advance

Further information regarding on-campus accommodation in Unipd is available at:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/accommodation-jointdouble-degrees>

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 considerably 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:

<https://www.esu.pd.it/en/food-service/>

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, 22nd September 2025 – 17th January 2026

Exams, 19th January – 21st February 2026

Second (spring) semester

Classes, 23rd February – 13th June 2026

Exams, 15th June – 18th July 2026

*Exceptions: in the 1st semester most classes start on 29/09/2025. In the 2nd semester the Bachelor's degrees in Dietetics and Nursing may start on 02/02/2026. Please check the timetable for each course unit.

Trimester System

First (fall) Trimester

Classes, 22nd September – 29th November 2025

Exams, 1st December – 23rd December 2025

Second (winter) Trimester

Classes, 7th January – 14th March 2026

Exams, 16th March – 3rd April 2026

Third (spring) Trimester

Classes, 7th April – 13th June 2026

Exams, 15th June – 18th July 2026

Recommended arrival dates and ORIENTATION

Orientation activities usually take place before classes begin or during the first week of classes

Further information: <https://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days-mobility>

(The programme will be updated a couple of months before the start of the classes)

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”.

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.

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,

-“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.

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 [timetable portal](#) (fully updated a few weeks before the start of the courses).

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) , or during the following sessions, including the remedial exam session in September. Exception: for trimesters, exams failed in the first trimester cannot be re-sit in April.

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

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Visa and residence permit

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

Exception: if you have a valid EU permit you can stay in Italy for up to 360 days.

Please refer to:

- [Before your arrival - See Step 6](#)
- <http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>
- [Information for non-EU students who need an Italian visa](#)

Health Insurance

EU students can use the [EHIC - European Health Insurance Card](#) 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 mobility.in@unipd.it.

A few tips on international insurances 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: € 290 - €420/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. We usually have pre-departure virtual exchange programmes, e-Tandem and intercultural preparation.

6 Student support services

STARTER KIT:

Welcome days, Services and Healthcare

<https://www.unipd.it/en/incoming-students-starter-kit>

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/inclusion-international-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.

[Healthcare and Primary Services | Università di Padova \(unipd.it\)](#)

University Language Centre (CLA)

[CLA - Italian language course for Incoming Students](#)

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

University Sport Centre (CUS)

2 sport facilities in Padua.

Free membership for students and free access to a few sport activities: tennis, running, soccer, basket (max. 1h in some cases).

Student discount on the gym pass (1, 2 or 4 months) and on courses.

[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](#)

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 Before and During the mobility (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 \(unipd.it\)](#)