CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR RENT SUBSIDIES RESERVED FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS DURING THE HEALTH EMERGENCY - 2021

PREAMBLE

With this call for applications the University of Padua supports its students with rent subsidies for expenses incurred during the year 2021, in compliance with the interministerial decree no.1013 dated 30-07-2021.

ART. 1 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The students enrolled for the 2020/21 a.y. on a Bachelor’s, Master’s, Single-cycle degree programme, PhD programme, and (non-medical) Specialisation Schools of the University of Padua can apply for rent subsidies if they meet the requirements below (art.1, paras 526 and 527 of law 178/2020), i.e. if they:

   a) have been issued with a valid ISEE (equivalent economic status index) for the Right to Higher Education, without discrepancies and not exceeding €20,000.00, before the closing date for applications. ISEE corrente or ISEE parificato shall also be accepted;

   b) have paid the instalments for the 2020/21 a.y. in full;

   c) have an active academic career and a tenancy agreement in place during the 2021 health emergency. The tenancy shall apply to a residential building located in a municipality other than the one where students reside;

   d) are off-site students, i.e. they reside in a municipality other than the one where the rented building is located, for the period given (i.e. only for the months for which subsidies are requested);

   e) must not be the recipients of any kind of support for the right to education, e.g. any subsidy for housing services also in the form of financial support/scholarship.

Such benefit is therefore not compatible with:
- Regional scholarship awarded for the 2020/21 a.y. as off-site students. The students who gained the regional scholarship either as commuters or on-site students, and therefore without the amount relating to housing service, can apply for rent subsidies;
- Any other accommodation-related benefits and reimbursements provided by public or private bodies for the 2021 health emergency period.

ART. 2 APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND CLOSING DATE

Students should apply for the benefit on-line in their UNIWEB personal area (section INIZIATIVE) from 30 September to 3 November 2021 at the latest.

Below is the step-by-step procedure:

step 1: self-certification of the eligibility requirements (art.1). The data on the ISEE certificate will be automatically acquired from the INPS database following authorization granted by students when submitting the application for benefits (Richiesta di Agevolazioni)

step 2: upload of:
- either a copy of the tenancy agreement and its registration (or registration of the tenancy takeover/extension/renewal, if any) or a copy of the contract for student halls of residence at the University or at religious institutions (registration with the Revenue Agency is not necessary);  
- receipts of payment of the monthly rents of which the reimbursement is requested.

The tenancy agreement for consideration shall apply to a residential building or building unit, and the beneficiary shall be the tenant.  
Students can cancel and re-submit their application at any time before the closing date for applications.  
The confirmation of the application submission is available for printing at the end of the procedure.

**ART. 3 ALLOCATION OF RIMBURSEMENT**

Once checks on the applications have been carried out, the University shall notify the Italian Ministry of University and Research (MUR) of the number of students who are entitled to the benefit by 29 November 2021. The MUR shall then provide the funds within the current financial year.

The benefit will be granted to students who meet the requirements set out in art. 1 ‘ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS’ in the form of reimbursement of the rent for tenancy agreements in place throughout the 2021 emergency period.  
The amount of the reimbursement that eligible students will receive is set by the Italian Ministry of University and Research according to the national expenditure ceiling and the total number of eligible students all state universities shall provide the Ministry with.

The ranking list of eligible students will be published by 29 November 2021 at the following link: www.unipd.it/sostegno-canone-locazione

The benefit is subject to the existing tax regulation.  
The reimbursement shall be credited to a bank account or prepaid card of which students are holders or joint holders (bank account numbers of third parties, parents included, shall not be accepted). Students should enter the bank account number (IBAN) into their personal area in Uniweb (“Home, Master Data, Refund methods, Edit Bank Account Refund Data”) by the closing date of this call for applications, or they shall be excluded from the benefit.  
It is also possible for students to enter the IBAN of their University Flash Card that they will receive following enrolment, provided the card has been upgraded to a "Flash Up Studio" prepaid card with cardholder’s name at any Intesa Sanpaolo branch.

As for students residing abroad, their Italian address must be entered into personal area in UNIWEB, under “Home, Master data, Modify domicile address”; if not, no reimbursements will be possible.

**ART. 4 CHECKS**

The University of Padua shall carry out checks on the applications submitted by students.  
Students must submit their application along with a self-certification on their economic and personal conditions, pursuant to Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 dated 28 December 2000.

The revocation of the benefit applies to:
- students who are awarded a similar benefit provided by other bodies;  
- students providing false statements (within the meaning of art. 75 and 76 of the Italian Presidential Decree DPR 445/2000)

**ART. 5 FUNDING**

The allocation of resources to the University of Padua relates to the number of eligible students, as per Interministerial decree no. 1013 dated 30-07-2021.  
The national expenditure ceiling is EUR 15 million.
ART. 6 FINAL PROVISIONS

Pursuant to art. 4 of law no. 241, dated 7 August 1990 (New rules on administrative procedures and right to access administrative documents) and subsequent amendments, Ms Alessandra Biscaro, Head of the Student Service Office, is appointed to oversee the administrative procedure.

Candidates may exercise their right to access the competition records following the procedures set forth by Italian Presidential Decree no. 184, dated 12 April 2006 (Regulations on accessing administrative documents in compliance with item V of law 241/90).

The personal data collected for the purposes outlined in this call for applications shall be processed in compliance with EU Regulation no. 679, dated 27 April 2016, (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR).

The ‘data controller’ is the University of Padua, registered office in Via 8 Febbraio, 2 - 35122 Padova. The full text of the privacy policy statement is held by the data controller, or it is available at www.unipd.it/privacy.

NB The present call for applications is translated into English for informational purposes only. Should any disputes arise and for all legal purposes, only the Italian version shall be considered valid.

STUDENT SERVICE OFFICE
Settore Benefici economici
Via Portello, 19 - 35129 PADOVA
Tel. +39 049.827 3131 - e-mail: benefici.studenti@unipd.it

The Rector
Prof. Rosario Rizzuto

digitally signed as per Italian legislative decree no. 82/2005

The Head of the Student Service Office
Dott.ssa Alessandra Biscaro

The Head of the Division Dott.ssa Roberta Rasa

The Director General Ing. Alberto Scuttari