University of Padua

EXCHANGE FACTSHEET

Information for Partners and Incoming Students
Erasmus+ KA107 (ICM – International Credit Mobility)

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# 1 General information

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## Useful websites

- [Erasmus+ for Studies - Incoming students (ENG)](http://www.unipd.it)
- [FAQ – COVID-19 effects on student mobility](http://www.unipd.it)
- [The Course Catalogue](http://www.unipd.it)
- [Key Academic Dates](http://www.unipd.it)
- [Welcome Days](http://www.unipd.it)
- [Healthcare and Primary Services](http://www.unipd.it)
- [International mobility for students with disabilities](http://www.unipd.it)

## Social networks

- [https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/](https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/)
- [https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/](https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/)
- [https://www.instagram.com/unipd](https://www.instagram.com/unipd)
- [https://twitter.com/UniPadova](https://twitter.com/UniPadova)
2 Nomination and Application

Nominations:

Partner Universities should send students’ official nominations through our online form: http://www.unipd.it/en/erasmus-study

Nomination deadlines:
Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 11th March to 30th April
Spring Terms – from 3rd August to 30th September

Applications:

Application instructions will be automatically e-mailed to all nominated students. The online application for Exchange students is available after registration in our student portal. Further info: https://www.unipd.it/en/application-erasmus-semp

Please note that Unipd does not accept freemover students.

Application deadlines:
Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th April to 15th June
Spring Terms – from 16th September to 30th November

Language requirements

- B1 English level, for students attending courses in English
- A2 Italian level, for students attending courses in Italian

Documents accepted: OLS test results, official language certificates, attendance certificates of intensive courses, certificates issued by University officers/professors attesting language proficiency level, transcript of records including language exams results.

Submission by
15th September
(Autumn/Winter terms and full year)
15th February
(Spring terms)

Required documents*

- Identity card or passport
- Learning Agreement
- Transcript of records
- European Health Insurance Card or private insurance valid abroad
- Language certificate (optional at this stage)

*To be submitted through the online Application form and anyway before starting the mobility period.

Once students are accepted to Unipd, the Mobility Unit will publish their nomination code on the website: https://www.unipd.it/en/erasmus-studies-semp
3 Accommodation and Canteens

On-campus accommodation for Erasmus+ KA107 students IS GUARANTEED only when requested before the deadline.

Accommodation support and Canteen service are provided by SASSA Service (Desk of the ESU – Regional Agency for the Right to Study).
The Accommodation form is mandatory for all students, including those who decide to look for private accommodation.

Accommodation form:

https://www.esu.pd.it/en/sassa-service

Deadlines:
Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th May to 30th June
Spring Terms – from 16th September to 15th November
Price range: € 205 - € 320 per month
Booking fee: € 350 to be paid in advance

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.

Further information regarding on-campus accommodation in Unipd is available at:
https://www.unipd.it/en/accommodation-erasmus-semp

Canteens

There are 16 University Canteens all around the city
Price Range for exchange students: € 4,60 - € 5,70 per meal
https://www.esu.pd.it/en/our-main-activities/food-services-canteens

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
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.

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**Semester System**

First (winter) Semester
Classes, 4th October 2021 – 15th January 2022
Exams, 17th January – 26th February 2022

Second (spring) semester
Classes, 28th February – 11th June 2022
Exams, 14th June – 23rd July 2022

**Trimester System**

First (fall) Trimester
Classes, 4th October – 4th December 2021
Exams, 9th December – 22nd December 2021

Second (winter) Trimester
Classes, 10th January – 19th March 2022
Exams, 21st March – 31st March 2022

Third (spring) Trimester
Classes, 6th April – 11th June 2022
Exams, 14th June – 16th July 2022

**Recommended arrival dates and ORIENTATION**

Orientation activities usually take place before classes begin or during the first week of classes
Further information: [http://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days](http://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days)
Courses available to exchange students

Course catalogue
English version: [http://en.didattica.unipd.it/](http://en.didattica.unipd.it/)
Italian version: [http://didattica.unipd.it/](http://didattica.unipd.it/)
List of courses held in English: [http://en.didattica.unipd.it/catalogues](http://en.didattica.unipd.it/catalogues)

In the Course Catalogue the Educational offer is divided per School. The language of the course is indicated in every course page. Students can easily identify the course units they are allowed to attend, with the label “The course unit can be attended by Erasmus+ and other exchange students”.

If the TEACHING MODALITY is different from in-class teaching (i.e. online, blended), it will be mentioned in the “Syllabus” section before the start of the classes.

Exchange students should carefully read the Guide “How to choose courses at Unipd” which contains instructions on how to browse the Course Catalogue, how to fill out the Learning Agreement and on the restrictions on course units for exchange students.

Language of instruction
The main language of instruction at Unipd is Italian, but we offer a large number of complete degree courses and course units held in English. Make sure to check in our Course Catalogue the teaching language for each course unit.

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
20-30 ECTS per semester is the average/suggested amount for exchange students (not mandatory for Unipd!).
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 enroll formally in course units.
Two online platforms are used for course and exam registration:
- “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.
- “Moodle” teaching platforms: due to the online teaching, it is required to register in each course unit before classes start.

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).

Transcript issuance
Unipd will send the Final Transcript of Records (list of all the passed study activities and of their respective grades) directly to an email address of the student’s Home University. Students will have to request the ToR online only after all the exams are registered in the online “booklet” in the Uniweb student portal. Failed exams are not registered in the online booklet; therefore, they will not be reported in the ToR.
5 Pre-departure

Website
https://www.unipd.it/en/exchange-students/erasmus-studies/your-arrival-erasmus-studies

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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. Please refer to:
Before your arrival - See Step 6
http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en

Health Insurance
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.

Italian language course
The University Language Centre (CLA) offers one free course to all exchange students during the mobility period:
http://cla.unipd.it/en/courses/italian-courses/

Erasmus+ KA107 students may attend both the intensive Italian language course in September (Communicative course) and the 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.

Important!
- The Italian language course final test does not award any final grade, only “Pass”
- Language requirements for Unipd cannot be fulfilled by attending this course

Cost of living
Average living costs: € 600–€ 700/month
(including grocery shopping + accommodation and bills + personal extras)
- Accommodation in a dorm: € 205 - € 320/month
- Canteen: € 4,60 - € 5,70/meal
- Grocery shopping: around € 60/week
- Residence permit: around € 100/one time
Find out more here!

Other online activities
Students will be informed by email of any other online opportunities they can take part in before their arrival in Padua (such as: eTandem learning organised by the Language centre; webinars organised by the GaragErasmus association, etc.).
6 Erasmus+ Scholarship

**Travel Costs**

Students must purchase the travel ticket themselves.

The scholarship paid at the beginning of their stay at Unipd will include a fixed contribution to travel costs, based on the travel distance per participant (calculated using the distance calculator supported by the European Commission):

- 100 - 499: € 180 per participant
- 500 - 1999 KM: € 275 per participant
- 2000 - 2999 KM: € 360 per participant
- 3000 - 3999 KM: € 530 per participant
- 4000 - 7999 KM: € 820 per participant
- 8000 KM or more: € 1500 per participant

The travel contribution will be paid regardless of the means of transportation used and the travel cost.

**Individual support**

Students will receive € 850 per month to cover their subsistence costs. The scholarship will be paid as follows:

- a first instalment via bank transfer including the 70% of the total individual support and the full travel contribution
- a final balance before departure calculated on the exact amount of days of the stay

**Scholarship payment process**

Unipd will support students in opening an Italian bank account (free at Banca Intesa Sanpaolo for Unipd students under 26 years) and the first payment will be made in about 7-10 days after the IBAN code is provided by students.

At the end of their stay, students must notify the Mobility Unit of their exact final departure date and fill out the EU Survey for Erasmus+ beneficiaries that they will receive by email directly from the European Commission. The balance payment will be then transferred to their Italian bank account.

The balance is calculated according to the exact number of days of the stay (1 day = € 28,33).

7 Student support services

**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. [https://www.esu.pd.it/en/sassa-service](https://www.esu.pd.it/en/sassa-service)

**Buddy Service**

All students will be assigned a tutor “Buddy” student before their arrival in Padua. The Buddy (i.e. a senior University student) will welcome and support exchange students during their stay.

Buddies will contact students using their institutional email account @studenti.unipd.it a few weeks 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 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](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)](https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusion-international-mobility)

### University Language Centre (CLA)

**CLA - Italian language course for Incoming Students**

[http://cla.unipd.it/en/](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.

[Home | CUS Padova](http://cla.unipd.it/en/)

### ESN - ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

The association of volunteer students who support exchange students during their international mobility in Padua. ESN assists exchange 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](http://cla.unipd.it/en/)

### 8 Contacts

**Mobility Unit - Central Desk**

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Students and Partner Universities can contact the central desk about:

- Nomination/Application procedure
- Accommodation
- Visa/Residence permit process
- Scholarship
- Learning Agreement Before the Mobility
- Orientation/Welcome Days
- Buddy Service
- Arrival/Departure certificate
- Final Transcript of Records
**Mobility Unit desks at the School/Department**

Students and Partner Universities can contact the Mobility desks at the School/Department about:
- Learning Agreement During the Mobility
- Information about courses and exams
- Information about the School/Department services (Libraries, tutors, study rooms, etc.)

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