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Selection notice to award scholarships for international students coming from Ukraine – *Unipd 4 Ukraine*

This call for selection is to implement the decision by the University bodies to give practical support and help to the Ukrainian people, by welcoming students from that country. In particular, this call regulates access to the Unipd 4 Ukraine scholarships, a funding programme intended for Ukrainian students who are in a dangerous situation or have lost the opportunity to start their university studies as a result of the war in Ukraine.

ART.1 - Unipd 4 Ukraine

As decided by the Board of Administration in its meeting on 22 March 2022 (minutes no. 68/2022 Reg. n. 50233 dated 22/03/2022), the University of Padua offers up to 75 scholarships to international students with Ukrainian citizenship wishing to enrol on a degree programme of the University of Padua and launched a fundraising campaign for additional scholarships financed by public and private institutions.

The Unipd 4 Ukraine scholarship includes an allowance of € 6,200.00 (gross for the recipient) and a tuition fee-waiver per academic year. The only amount to be paid by scholarship recipients is the admission fee, consisting of the regional tax for the right to education and the revenue stamp, corresponding to € 192. Such amount is not refundable. Reimbursement of travel, insurance or other expenses is not included in the scholarship and will not be covered by the University of Padua.

The Unipd 4 Ukraine scholarships run for a maximum of one (1) academic year. After that, students will be required to pay the due tuition fees until graduation. Scholarships cannot be combined with any other grant awarded by other public institutions. If a candidate has been awarded more than one scholarship, he/she must choose which one to accept. Candidates are responsible for notifying the Admissions and Welcome Unit - Global Engagement Office (unipd4ukraine@unipd.it) of any incompatibility with other scholarships.

ART. 2 - Admission requirements

To be eligible for selection, under penalty of exclusion, applicants must:

- be Ukrainian citizens or citizens of another Country, or stateless, with international protection or similar in Ukraine before February 24th, 2022;
 - be resident in Ukraine before February 24th, 2022 and have received temporary protection as per the EU Council Implementing Decision 2022/382;
 - hold a non-Italian upper secondary school certificate (to access Bachelor's or Single-cycle degree programmes) or a non-Italian Bachelor's degree (to access Master's degree programmes) valid for the enrolment in the Italian higher education system;
 - apply to one or more degree programmes at the University of Padua according to the procedures and deadlines established by the course programme. Applicants can choose up to three courses;
- or*
- be already eligible to the admission for open access programmes and limited access programmes in the call open from November 2nd 2021 to March 7th 2022.

Applicants who cannot upload the required documents can contact the *Admissions and Welcome Unit* of the *Global Engagement Office* via email: unipd4ukraine@unipd.it.

After the admission to the chosen programme, students might have recognised courses and exams passed during the previous enrolment, interrupted for the war. The procedure is detailed [here](#).

The applicants who fail to meet one or more of these requirements are not eligible for this selection for scholarships.

ART. 3 – Selection procedure and awarding criteria

All the students fulfilling the above-mentioned requirements are automatically admitted to selection. Neither a separate application form nor further documents are needed in addition to those required for applying for the chosen degree programme. A dedicated Committee shall assess the applications for the purposes of awarding the scholarships. Scholarships shall be awarded to the most deserving candidates on the basis of the quality and records of their prior education, their language competence, and motivation. In the event of a tie, preference shall be given to female candidates and to younger candidates.

The results of the selection and the awarding of the scholarships will be made available on the University's [website](#) from 10 June 2022, for the unlimited access degree programmes and for the limited-access degree programmes.

In case of not allocated scholarships, these will be reserved for students admitted to Italian-taught Bachelor's degrees, Italian-taught Master's degrees with a limited number of places and degree programmes with access limited on a national basis by the Italian Ministry of University and Research.

ART. 4 – Acceptance

Candidates admitted and selected for a scholarship will receive a specific communication by the *Admissions and Welcome Unit of Global Engagement Office* with the procedure and deadline to accept it.

To be granted the scholarship, selected candidates must:

- accept the admission and scholarship offer received from the the Admissions and Welcome Unit of Global Engagement Office and pay the admission fee by the deadline given;
- not benefit from other scholarships or grants;
- fulfil the admission requirements (e.g. obtaining the entry qualification and the English language requirement) within the deadline given in the admission offer and finalise the enrolment procedure for the chosen degree programme;
- [only for non-EU candidates residing abroad] meet the requirements and conditions for an Italian student visa (D - enrolment) or prove the international protection, even temporary, as per the EU Council Implementing Decision 2022/382.

If scholarship recipients fail to meet one of the aforementioned criteria, they must notify the Admissions and Welcome Unit - Global Engagement Office of it by emailing: unipd4ukraine@unipd.it.

Should selected candidates not accept the admission offer and the scholarship granted, or not fulfil one of the criteria above, the Committee may award scholarships to the next eligible candidates meeting the requirements.

ART – 5 Payment methods and requirements to maintain scholarship eligibility A.Y. 2022/23

The *Unipd 4 Ukraine* scholarship shall be paid via bank transfer in 2 equal instalments of € 6,200.00 (gross for the recipient) per one academic year.

Students shall be credited with the first instalment of the 2022/23 A.Y. upon arrival in Italy and only after:

1. completing the enrolment at the University of Padua;
2. opening an Italian bank account, or prepaid card with an IBAN, of which the student is the holder or joint holder;
3. signing the Declaration of acceptance, through which students undertake to accept the scholarship terms and conditions and confirm that no incompatibility arises within the meaning of article 1 of this call for applications.

Students shall be credited with the second instalment of the A.Y. 2022/23 by 31 March 2023 (winter examination session – 2022/23 A.Y.) upon registering exams for at least 6 credits before 31 March.

In case of enrolment with recognition of prior learning, the credits earned during previous university education do not count for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements to maintain scholarship eligibility.

ART. 6 - Revocation of scholarship

If the aforementioned merit requirements are not met within the deadline, the payment of the scholarship shall be stopped.

The University of Padua is entitled to revoke scholarships when:

1. students do not obtain at least 20 ECTS credits by 30 November 2023;
2. students transfer to another University or withdraw from studies.

In both circumstances, students shall pay back the amount of the Unipd 4 Ukraine scholarship already received.

Specific duly reasoned situations shall undergo examination by the designated University Committee.

ART. 7 - Processing of personal data statement

Personal data shall be processed in compliance with the principles and provisions of EU Regulation 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation) and for the sole purposes of competition procedure. For detailed information: <https://www.unipd.it/en/privacy>.

The Administration reserves the right to check the truthfulness of the admission and incompatibility requirements. Without prejudice to the criminal sanctions provided for in art. 76 of Italian Presidential Decree DPR no. 445/2000, should checks prove statements to be false, the scholarship recipient shall lose the benefit eligibility.

ART. 8 – Dispute resolution

This call for selection 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.

ART. 9 – Final Provisions

The person responsible for the procedure is Mattia Gusella, Director of the Global Engagement Office.

For further information please email: unipd4ukraine@unipd.it

The Rector
Prof.ssa Daniela Mapelli
digitally signed as per Italian legislative decree no. 82/2005