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CALL FOR ADMISSION

*English taught Master's degree programme
with a limited number of places:*

Social Science for Digital Data

Selection of EU and equated citizens



SUMMARY OF DEADLINES FOR 2025

APPLICATION AND UPLOAD OF THE DOCUMENTATION	From March 7 until April 7 , Attention: Italian access qualifications and foreign access qualifications require different documentation	
<u>RANKING LIST</u>	Ranking list: May 7 from 3 p.m.	The deadlines for enrollment will be published alongside the ranking list.

Other deadlines

- An eligible access qualification must be obtained by **July 31, 2025**.
- An English language proficiency certificate at a B2 level must be obtained by **July 31, 2025**.

N.B.: this document is the English translation of the Call for admission for Master's degree "Social Science for Digital Data".

The Italian version is available at www.unipd.it/ammissioni-scu-social-science-digital-data. If there is any dispute regarding the interpretation of the two versions, the Italian version shall take precedence

N.B.: to make navigation easier, candidates can click on the table of contents, which refers to the paragraphs in the text.

However, we recommend paying attention to the information contained in the entire call for admission.

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION AND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

This call is intended for **Italian, European Union, or equivalent candidates**.

This category includes:

- Citizens of any member state of the European Union;
- Citizens of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland, Republic of San Marino;
- Citizens with dual citizenship, one of which is Italian/European;
- Citizens of a country not part of the European Union, residing in Italy and in possession of a valid residence permit that allows enrollment at the University, according to the current regulations on enrollment: <https://www.unipd.it/soggiorni-superiori-90-giorni-studenti>
- Candidates in possession of an Italian access qualification, regardless of their citizenship.

Non-EU candidates residing abroad who do not fall into any of the described characteristics compete in a dedicated selection. The related call is available at <https://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-lauree-triennali-ciclo-unico>

1.1 Available places for admission at the First Year

Classe di Laurea D.M. 270/04	Master degree program	Location	Places for UE citizens and equivalent	Places for NON UE citizens residing abroad
LM-88	Social Science for Digital Data	Padova	70	30**

**of European Union*

*** The places are put up for competition in a dedicated selection. To access it, it is necessary to refer to the specific call, published on page <https://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi>*

1.2 Admission requirements

To be admitted to the first year of the degree programme, candidates¹ must:

- a) obtain by July 31, 2025 a three-year bachelor's degree in Italy or an equivalent foreign qualification, with a minimum grade greater than or equal to 99/110 (90% of the maximum obtainable grade). Furthermore, it is necessary that the qualification and your university career satisfy at least 1 of the following two conditions:
- the qualification must belong to one of the following classes: Education and training L-19, Communication L-20, Psychology L-24, Political science and international relations L-36, Sociology L-40 (DM 270/2004), or in the case of a foreign qualification, it must be comparable in content to these classes;
 - Alternatively:
 - For candidates with an Italian access qualification it is possible to apply with a qualification belonging to a different class and a minimum of 18 CFU of exams in the SSD: SPS/01,02,04,07,08,09,10,11,12 also a minimum of 6 CFU of exams in the SSD: SECS-S/01,05 and M-PSI/03.

¹Hereinafter, the terms that relate to people are in the masculine form, for the sole purpose of ensuring better readability of the text, but refer indiscriminately to all genders.

- For candidates with a foreign access qualification, the degree must include at least 10% of credits obtained in exams belonging to the Political and Social Sciences area: Political philosophy, History of political thought, Political science, General sociology, Sociology of culture and communication, Economic sociology and sociology of work and organisations, Urban and environmental sociology, Political sociology, Sociology of law, deviance and social change and at least one exam in Statistics, Social Statistics or Psychometrics.
- b) submit by **31 July 2025** a certificate of **English language** proficiency of at least **B2 level** (CEFR), except in the specified cases of exemption. The list of accepted certificates, the relative minimum scores required and exemptions is available at Appendix 1.
- c) apply for the selection **from March 7, 2025 to 11:59 pm - local time - (GMT + 1) on April 7, 2025**, submitting the necessary documents for the evaluation of qualifications and the formation of rankings, and be successful. The procedure to follow is different for those who possess a bachelor's degree, used for access, obtained in Italy (point 2.1) or abroad (point 2.2).

1.3 Procedure for the preparation of the admission ranking list

The admission rankings are determined in order of score based on the following criteria:

- candidates holding a bachelor's degree belonging to classes L-19, L-20, L-24, L-36, L-40 (DM 270/2004), obtained before the closure of pre-enrollments for access to the selection: the **degree grade** is taken into consideration;
- candidates holding a bachelor's degree belonging to classes L-19, L-20, L-24, L-36, L-40 (DM 270/2004), obtained after the closure of pre-enrollments for access to the selection: the **arithmetic mean of the exams obtained, taken and registered before the closure of pre-enrollments** is taken into consideration;
- candidates holding a bachelor's degree belonging to classes different from those mentioned in the previous point: **the arithmetic mean of exams in the SSD** mentioned in the previous point, taken and registered before the closure of pre-enrollments, is taken into consideration. In case of possession of a number of useful CFU higher than 24, for calculation purposes, the exams with the highest grades are taken into consideration up to the established limit.

Only the credits indicated in the academic documentation submitted during the application phase will be considered.

The final ranking is drawn up in order of score on a 100-point basis, normalizing the degree grades and arithmetic averages as described for the three cases outlined.

In case of a tie in score, precedence is given to the younger candidate.

For candidates with a foreign degree whose educational path cannot be evaluated according to the criteria indicated above, the verification of the required knowledge will be carried out by the committee based on the candidate's educational background, in line with the curricular requirements and personal preparation required for admission to the course.

1.4 Other Information - Inclusion and Career Shortening

Students with disabilities or learning disorders can contact the Student Service Office – Inclusion Unit (inclusionone.studenti@unipd.it) to report any need and for information on course attendance support services and financial subsidies (<https://www.unipd.it/risorse-supporti-studenti-disabilita-difficolta-apprendimento>).

For any requests for recognition or career abbreviations, it is possible to consult the information that will be updated in June on the page www.unipd.it/domanda-valutazione.

2. APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTATION UPLOAD

2.1 Candidates with a qualification obtained in Italy

Registration on the Uniweb portal

If candidates are logging into Uniweb for the first time, they must create a new user account at www.uniweb.unipd.it by clicking on *Menu* → *Registration*.

At the end of the registration process, candidates will receive an email with a username and an activation code to log in to uniweb.unipd.it/password/index.php/it/utenti/identifica/azione/a, where they will be asked to set up three security questions and a password. With the username obtained and the password set, candidates can log in to their personal area.

In the event of problems with logging in, contact the University Call Centre (www.unipd.it/callcentre).

N.B.: the personal email address included in the Uniweb profile is the communication channel that will be used to communicate deadlines and to provide instructions for access to the degree programme. Emails sent for this purpose count as an official communication.

Pre-enrolment

Pre-enrolment must be submitted

from 7 March 2025 to no later than 11:59 pm (local time - GMT+1) on 7 April 2025.

To pre-enrol, candidates must log into www.uniweb.unipd.it and click on *Educational offer* → *Pre-enrolment with a limited number of places* → *Course Type* “*Master’s Degree Programme*” → and select the Master’s degree programme.

Students enrolled at the University of Padua who have not yet obtained their degree can complete pre-enrollment only after submitting the degree application online. If this application has not yet been submitted, it is necessary to report the situation to immatricolazioni.studenti@unipd.it in order to proceed.

The following documents must be submitted for pre-enrolment:

a) for one’s own personal data sheet:

- copy of an identity document: ID Card for EU citizens or a passport for non-EU citizens
- only for non-EU citizens residing in Italy: copy of residence permit

b) for the assessment of curricular requirements and for the formation of the ranking lists:

- self-certification of the degree qualification, if already awarded, and of the exams taken with their grades, generally available in the personal area of the university of origin; alternatively, a Diploma Supplement;
- if already held, certificate of English language proficiency of **B2 level** (CEFR) or higher, or documentation certifying that the candidate falls within the specified cases of exemption. The list of accepted certificates, the relative minimum scores required and exemptions is available at [annex 1](#).

Candidates who do not yet hold their **language certificate** at this time, may provisionally participate the selection process, and they are required to submit the language certificate **no**

later than 31 July 2025. The procedures for submitting the certificate are disclosed at the same time as the publication of the ranking list.

Upon completion of pre-enrolment, the **€ 30.00 fee** must be paid via the PagoPA procedure (for further information: www.unipd.it/modalit-pagamento-pagopa).

Contacts and assistance: www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni and www.unipd.it/callcentre

2.2 Candidates with a qualification obtained abroad

The application must be submitted by accessing the personal area of the portal at <https://apply.unipd.it>

from 7 March 2025 to no later than 11:59 pm (local time - GMT+1) on 7 April 2025.

Those who are not yet registered need to enter their email address at <https://apply.unipd.it/applicant/register>. A PIN code will be generated and they will receive a verification email at the specified address in order to complete their registration.

N.B.: the personal email address included in the apply.unipd.it portal is the communication channel that will be used to communicate deadlines and to provide instructions for access to the degree programme. Emails sent for this purpose count as an official communication.

Candidates can choose up to three degree programmes from the portal, listing them in order of preference. After selecting the degree programmes, click on “*Apply now*” and fill in all the required fields.

The documents to be uploaded for the application are as follows:

- a) for one’s own personal data sheet:
 - copy of an identity document: ID Card for EU citizens or a passport for non-EU citizens
 - only for non-EU citizens residing in Italy: copy of residence permit
- b) for the assessment of curricular requirements and for the formation of the ranking lists
 - bachelor’s diploma (if already graduated) or certificate of registration in the final year, with the relevant translation into Italian or English
 - Transcript of records, with the relevant translation into Italian or English, specifying the grades obtained in the exams, the scale used and, preferably, the ECTS statistics; alternatively, a Diploma Supplement
- c) certificate of English language proficiency of **B2 level** (CEFR) or higher, or documentation certifying that the candidate falls within the specified cases of exemption. The list of accepted certificates, the relative minimum grades required and exemptions is available at <https://www.unipd.it/en/language-requirement-admission-degree-programmes>.
- d) for completing the enrolment:
 - authentication of the qualification or the CIMEA Statement of Verification are optional for the application, but are required **for the enrolment, and they must be submitted no later than 31 October 2025.**

The Admissions and Welcome Unit reserves the right to mandatorily request the CIMEA Statement of Comparability of the entry qualification if further verification of the qualification is deemed necessary.

Payment of a € 30.00 registration fee is also required. An email will be sent via the <https://apply.unipd.it> portal with instructions for payment through the PagoPA system.

Once **the required documents have been entered and payment has been completed**, the application must be submitted by clicking on the “**Submit**” button.

Contacts and assistance: international.admission@unipd.it.

3. PUBLICATION OF RANKING LISTS AND ACCEPTANCE OF PLACES

3.1 Publication of ranking lists and acceptance of places

As from **7 May 2025** on www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results the following documents will be published:

- the merit ranking lists
- instructions on the procedure for accepting the place.

Admission is subject to verification of the declared qualifications, the awarding of the qualification, if not yet held, and, in the case of a qualification awarded abroad, the submission of the documents specified on <https://www.unipd.it/en/how-apply>.

Candidates who fail to meet the deadlines for obtaining and submitting the required qualifications ([point 1.2](#)) or the minimum Bachelor's final grade set to 99/110 or equivalent, will lose their place in the ranking list.

Regular updates on the assignment of places according to the ranking lists are published on www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results.

N.B.: meeting the deadlines specified for accepting the place and for payment of the first instalment is mandatory; failure to meet them is equal to forfeiting one's place in the ranking list.

Candidates who do not yet hold their **language certificate** or **entry qualification** at the time of assignment of a place on the ranking list, may provisionally accept the place that they have successfully gained, and they are required to update their entry qualification data and submit the language certificate **no later than 31 July 2025**. The procedures for updating the qualification details and submitting the certificate are disclosed at the same time as the publication of the ranking list.

3.2 Student fees and benefits

The University of Padua offers scholarships and waivers of student fees to highly qualified and deserving international students with a foreign qualification who wish to register for a degree programme delivered entirely in English.

Further information on the opportunities and on the contribution required for enrolment, candidates can refer to www.unipd.it/en/tuition-fees

Contacts and assistance: benefici.studenti@unipd.it

4. PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROCEDURE, PERSONAL DATA, NOTES, AND WARNINGS

Person responsible for the administrative selection procedure and for the Procedure for Accessing Documents: Director of the Student Office, Ms Maria Chiara Ferraresi.

Further information on privacy and general admission regulations can be found on the following pages:

www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi

www.unipd.it/informativa-studenti.

For anything not specified in this Call for admission, reference should be made to the applicable Italian legislation.

Padua, 20/12/2024

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Prof. Daniela Mapelli

digitally signed pursuant to D.lgs (Legislative Decree) no. 82/2005

ANNEX 1 – Language requirement

For admission to the degree programme students must have and demonstrate a knowledge of the English language of level B2 or higher (CEFR).

Candidates with a **foreign entry title** can fulfill the requirement based on the instructions available at the page www.unipd.it/requisito-linguistico-ammissione-corsi-studio-ateneo.

Candidates with an **Italian entry title** can fulfill the requirement following one of the alternatives below:

- Possession of a certificate of **English language** knowledge of at least **level B2** (CEFR). The list of accepted certificates, the relative minimum scores required and exemptions is available at www.unipd.it/requisito-linguistico-ammissione-corsi-studio-ateneo.
Checking procedure: upload the certificate within the procedure. Those who have taken the test and have not yet received their certificate may submit their “statement of results”, showing they have completed the test and the relevant score;
- Possession of a qualification obtained as a result of attending a degree programme delivered entirely in English.
Checking procedure: upload documentation certifying that the degree programme is delivered **entirely** in English (it is not enough to have completed part of the degree programme abroad);
- Exemption for native English speakers.
Checking procedure: upload a passport or other ID with the indication of citizenship in one of the states listed at www.unipd.it/requisito-linguistico-ammissione-corsi-studio-ateneo
- Certificates issued by a CLA (University Language Center)/Open Badge. Certifications are valid if obtained from 1st January 2020.
Checking procedure: upload the certificate/Open Badge within the pre-enrolment procedure;

The language requirement must be met and the documentation must be submitted by **31 July 2025**. The documentation must be uploaded to the “Valutazione Titoli” (Qualification Assessment) section during the [pre-enrolment](#). Candidates who do not hold their **language certificate** by 7 April, will have to submit the language certificate **no later than 31 July 2025**. The procedures for submitting the certificate are disclosed at the same time as the publication of the ranking list