



## Call for admission

Academic year 2021-2022

School of Medicine

Limited access Master's degree programmes held in English

**‘Medical Biotechnologies – General Curriculum’**

Class LM-9 - Pharmaceutical, Veterinary and Medical biotechnologies

**Selection for candidates with a qualification obtained abroad – only non-EU citizens residing abroad**

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However, it is strongly recommended to read all the information carefully.*

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## **1. PLACES AVAILABLE AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

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To enrol<sup>1</sup> in the Master's degree programme applicants must:

1. have gained or gain, **by 31 July 2021**, a qualification obtained abroad and recognised as equivalent to a Bachelor's degree or a three-year university degree, as per existing regulations;
2. meet specific curricular requirements and have an adequate educational background, pursuant to art. 6, paragraph 2 of Italian M.D. no. 270/2004, as detailed in the Master's degree programme factsheet in annex 1;
3. pass the entry test and rank conveniently, as per section 3 of this call for admission.
4. apply on-line, as per section 2 of this call for admission, by the deadlines set.

Information on places available and criteria for individual educational background assessment is detailed in the degree programme factsheet in annex 1.

Further information on how to have previous studies recognised or the degree programme shortened is available at <https://www.unipd.it/en/credit-recognition>

Students with disabilities or Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD) may contact the University **Student Service Office - Inclusion** (<https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusion-reception-and-admissions-tests>) to report any specific need they may have or to get information on economic benefits, and services available during class attendance.

## **2. HOW TO SUBMIT THE APPLICATION AND UPLOAD DOCUMENTS**

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To access the portal, applicants are required to create an account at: <https://apply.unipd.it/applicant/register>

By entering the email address, a PIN code is generated. After receiving a confirmation email at the address provided, applicants will need to enter the PIN code to continue with the registration procedure.

Applicants can choose up to three degree programmes, in order of preference, from among those listed on the portal. After selecting the degree programmes, applicants must click on 'Apply now', fill in all the required fields, upload annexes, if any, and click on 'Submit' to finalise the application procedure.

Applicants must submit their application by logging in to their personal area on [apply.unipd.it](https://apply.unipd.it) (Sign-in) **from 7 January 2021 to 11.59 pm - local time - (GMT +1) on 7 March 2021**.

To allow checks on fulfilment of requirements and assessment of applicants' educational background, the following documents must be uploaded during the procedure:

- full curriculum vitae et studiorum in English;
- motivation letter in English;

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<sup>1</sup> The activation of the first year of degree programmes is subject to degree programmes' accreditation, as per Italian M.D. 6/2019 ('*Autovalutazione, valutazione, accreditamento iniziale e periodico delle sedi e dei corsi di studio*'), and to a minimum number of pre-enrolment applications. Therefore, should the degree programme not be accredited or should the number of pre-enrolment applications be less than 15 (5 per curriculum), the degree programme will not be activated. Information on degree programmes' activation is available at <http://www.unipd.it>.

- transcript of records and translation into either Italian or English, with ECTS statistics preferably included; the transcript may be replaced with the Diploma Supplement;
- degree diploma (for graduates) or certificate of enrolment in the last year, along with a translation into either Italian or English;
- English language certificate (please check the factsheet in annex 1);
- copy of applicants' identity document (passport).

**Applicants are recommended to carefully read the degree programme factsheet through (Annex1).**

Applicants are also required to pay a pre-enrolment fee of **€ 30.00**. The link and instructions on how to pay the fee using PagoPA will be sent through the portal [apply.unipd.it](http://apply.unipd.it).

The following documents are optional at application stage but compulsory for enrolment:

- Diploma Supplement (only for qualifications issued in a country participating in the Bologna Process), or CIMEA Statement of Comparability, or Declaration of Value;
- Legalisation of both the qualification and the transcript of records, or CIMEA Statement of Verification.

For any enquiry, applicants can email the Admissions and Welcome Unit - Global Engagement Office at [international.admission@unipd.it](mailto:international.admission@unipd.it).

### **3. ON-LINE ENTRY TEST**

The entry test will only take place remotely (on-line) between **15 and 25 March 2021** by using a Windows PC or Mac exclusively. Android tables, iPad and Linux PC cannot be used for sitting the test.

To be admitted to the entry test, applicants must:

- have followed the instructions outlined in section 2;
- have paid the pre-enrolment fee of 30.00€;
- hold a qualification obtained abroad suitable for admission by 31 July 2021;
- meet the minimum curricular requirements.

Applicants admitted to the entry test will be notified of:

- the date and time of the test;
- the devices and minimum technical features required to sit the test;
- the rules and instructions on how to sit the test;
- information on the possibility of testing the procedure in advance in order to ensure that the test runs smoothly.

The test consists of 40 questions in English. The questions are about:

- 1) Mathematics - Statistics;
- 2) Chemistry - Biochemistry;

- 3) Physics;
- 4) Biology - Pathology;
- 5) Microbiology;
- 6) Genetics - Molecular biology;
- 7) Immunology.

Candidates are given 40 minutes to complete the test.

The ranking list shall be drawn up based on the score achieved in the written test as per the following criteria:

- 1 point for each correct answer;
- - 0.1 for each wrong answer;
- 0 points for each unanswered question.

Should more candidates achieve the same score, the youngest candidate shall be given priority.

#### 4. PUBLICATION OF RANKING LIST

Criteria for assessment of requirements and for ranking list are outlined in the factsheet of the Master's degree programme in annex 1.

The ranking list will be published at <http://www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results> starting from 8 April 2021.

Candidates are admitted conditionally pending verification of the requirements stated, the awarding of the qualification - if not yet obtained - and submission of the documents listed at <https://www.unipd.it/en/study-english-how-enrol>.

**The ranking list will be published along with the list of students eligible for scholarships and students exempt from tuition fees, as per section 5. Instructions on how to accept the place and the economic benefits, if awarded, will also be published.**

To allow classes to start smoothly, all selected students coming from abroad must enrol at the University of Padua and have all the documents required for admission by 31 October 2021.

#### 5. SCHOLARSHIPS AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS

Within the programme *Padua International Excellence Scholarships*, the University of Padua offers scholarships to highly qualified international students who hold a qualification obtained abroad and wish to enrol in an English-taught degree programme.

The **Call for applications**, including detailed information on scholarships, eligibility requirements and acceptance procedure, will be published at <http://www.unipd.it/en/scholarships>. Neither a separate application form nor additional documents are required.

Information on **other scholarships** provided by the University of Padua or other organisations is available at <http://www.unipd.it/en/scholarships>.

The University of Padua also offers up to **100 tuition fee-waivers** to deserving international students who hold a qualification obtained abroad and wish to enrol in an English-taught degree programme. Further information is available at <http://www.unipd.it/en/fee-waivers>. Neither a separate application form nor additional documents are required.

Information on **other types of fee-waivers** offered by the University of Padua is available at <http://www.unipd.it/en/fee-waivers>.

The University of Padua also provides students with a top-level educational path within the **Galilean School of Higher Education**. In addition to regular students, the Galilean School of Higher Education also **reserves up to 4 (four) places for international highly motivated students** who enrol in a degree programme of the University of Padua. The selected students will attend courses and seminars reserved for Galilean students and will be offered benefits such as meals and accommodation free of charge and specific scholarships. The Call for admission, including detailed information on admission requirements, academic rights and duties, the application procedure and deadline, will be published at [www.unipd-scuolagalileiana.it/en/content/call-international-students](http://www.unipd-scuolagalileiana.it/en/content/call-international-students)

For further information on the **Galilean School of Higher Education** visit the web page:

[www.unipd-scuolagalileiana.it/en/](http://www.unipd-scuolagalileiana.it/en/).

Padua, 21/12/2020

The Rector

Prof. Rosario Rizzuto

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

## ANNEX 1 – DEGREE PROGRAMME FACTSHEET

**SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
'MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES'  
Selection for the 'General' Curriculum only,  
reserved for non-EU citizens residing abroad**

**PLACES AVAILABLE**

- 7 places available for non-EU citizens residing abroad; of these, 1 place is reserved for Chinese citizens joining the Marco Polo project.

The degree programme also includes another curriculum, *Molecular Medicine*, for which the second semester is to be spent entirely at the University of Ulm (Germany). Upon completion of the degree programme, a double degree with the University of Ulm is issued.

The students shortlisted with this selection may also participate in the next selection for this curriculum, following the instructions set forth by the new call for admission, to be published by May. They will also be required to sit a further test.

**CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS AND ADEQUATE EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Applicants who wish to enrol in the Master's degree programme in Medical Biotechnologies must:

- meet specific curricular requirements and have specific knowledge, skills, and abilities in Mathematics, Statistics, Molecular biology, Cell biology, Pharmacology, Anatomy, Physiology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Physics, Biology, Pathology, Microbiology, Genetics and Immunology.

As a result, a degree in one of the following areas is preferable: Biotechnology, Biological science, Chemical science and technology, Technical health professions or Medicine and Surgery;

- prove they have a level B2 in English (as per Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) by providing a language certificate. They are required to be fluent in the language, both in speaking and writing, and to be familiar with subject area terminology. Such certificate must be obtained by 31 July 2021 at the latest; candidates may be admitted to the programme conditionally pending awarding and submission of the certificate. Native English speakers or the students who prove to have attended an English-taught Bachelor's degree programme or a secondary school in an Anglo-Saxon country do not need to submit any language certificate.
- have sat the entry test, only as per the procedures and deadlines set forth by section 3 of this Call for admission.

In case of dual citizenship, the Italian one shall prevail (Law 31 May 1995, no. 218 art.19). Applicants with dual citizenship (non-EU and Italian citizenship) shall therefore participate in the next selection reserved for EU and EU-equated citizens.

**CRITERIA FOR THE RANKING LIST**

To be admitted to selection, applicants must upload all the following documents:

- a) Curriculum vitae, including training experience or study periods spent abroad, if any;
- b) Motivation letter;
- c) Transcript of records, preferably including ECTS statistics;
- d) English language certificate of level B2.

Only the candidates who meet the curricular requirements and have adequate educational background shall be ranked. The ranking list shall be drawn up according to the score achieved in the entry test. Should more candidates achieve the same score, the youngest candidate shall be given priority.

**Further information on the degree programme is available at [www.unipd.it/en/medical-biotechnologies](http://www.unipd.it/en/medical-biotechnologies)  
For general enquiries on the degree programme, please contact [didattica.medicinamolecolare@unipd.it](mailto:didattica.medicinamolecolare@unipd.it)**