



## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

### CALL FOR ADMISSION A.Y. 2021/22

Master's degree programme held in English  
LIMITED ACCESS

**MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES**  
SELECTION FOR EU-CITIZENS OR EQUATED



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## 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Applications are now open for the first year of the English-language Master's Degree Programme in Medical Biotechnologies at the School of Medicine and Surgery, for the academic year 2021/22<sup>1</sup>.

The nominal duration of the course is 2 years and requires the acquisition of 120 University Educational Credits (CFU), at the end of which the Master's Degree in Medical Biotechnologies is awarded.

The course is broken down into two study tracks:

- General;
- Molecular Medicine: the second semester of the degree programme is entirely to be spent at the University of Ulm (Germany) and the option of attending a further semester abroad at a partner university to carry out the internship and write the final thesis.

At the end of the programme, a double degree will be awarded in collaboration with the partner University in Ulm. Please note that non-EU candidates not residing in Italy can participate in the selection for this study track provided they were selected for General study track in spring and have secured the place by paying the first instalment of tuition fees.

Information on active courses and the teaching regulations are available at <https://en.didattica.unipd.it/off/2021/LM/ME/ME1934>.

### 1.1 Degree programmes, venue and places available

Master's Degree Class D.M 270/04	Master's degree programme	Venue	Places for European Union (hereinafter EU) citizens or equated	Places for non-EU citizens living abroad*
LM-9	Medical Biotechnologies (taught in English) -General Curriculum	Padova	32	7
LM-9	Medical Biotechnologies (taught in English) -Molecular Medicine	Padova	5 (selected from the 32 places destined for EU or equated and non-EU resident abroad)	

<sup>1</sup> The first year of degree programmes will be activated upon degree programmes' accreditation, as per Italian M.D. 6/2019 and upon reaching the minimum number of 15 pre-enrolments; therefore, if the degree programme is not accredited or if the number of pre-enrollment applications submitted will be less than 15 (5 for each curriculum), the degree programme will not be activated. It should be noted, however, that the number of pre-enrolments has always been well above the number required for activation. Information on degree programme's activation is available at <http://www.unipd.it>

\* Places for non-EU citizens are allocated in dedicated selections. For more information: <https://www.unipd.it/en/how-apply>

## 1.2 Admission requirements

To be admitted, candidates<sup>2</sup> must:

- 1) have obtained a Bachelor's degree, a single-cycle master's degree, a three-year university diploma or other qualification obtained in Italy or abroad and deemed eligible pursuant to existing legislation by **31 December 2021**;
- 2) be in possession of specific minimum curricular requirements and knowledge, skills and abilities, verified as indicated in the form in [Annex 1](#). Please refer to the **Syllabus** of the Course, which can be found in Art. 2, paragraph 1, of the relative Didactic Regulations at the following address <https://en.didattica.unipd.it/off/2021/LM/ME/ME1934>;
- 3) **pre-enrol from 10 June to 12:00 pm on 1 September 2021** ([point 2](#)). Candidates not in possession of one of the admission qualifications indicated in alternative 1 of [Annex 1](#) must simultaneously apply for the minimum curricular requirements as indicated in [point 3](#);
- 4) take the admission test ([point 4](#)) and be placed in the ranking list;
- 5) enrol or apply for a change of degree programme or incoming transfer **from 15 September 2021 to 12:00 pm on 30 September 2021** ([point 5](#)).

**Failure to comply with the deadlines and all the procedures described in this point will be tantamount to withdrawal of enrolment.**

## 1.3 Part-time enrolment

You can apply as a part-time student for family, work or health reasons. More information is available at [www.unipd.it/studiare-tempo-parziale](http://www.unipd.it/studiare-tempo-parziale).

## 2. REGISTRATION AND PRE-ENROLMENT ON THE UNIWEB PORTAL

### 2.1 Registration on the Uniweb portal

<sup>2</sup> From now on, terms relating to persons are given in the masculine form for the sole purpose of ensuring better readability of the text but refer indiscriminately to all genders.

If you are accessing Uniweb for the first time, you must create a new user account by clicking on [www.uniweb.unipd.it](http://www.uniweb.unipd.it) and then on *Menu → Registration*. At the end of the registration process you will receive by e-mail your username and activation code with which you can access the page <https://uniweb.unipd.it/password/index.php/en/utenti/identifica/azione/a>, where you will be asked to set three security questions and a password. With the username obtained and the password set you can access your personal area.

If you have any problems with access, please contact the University Call Centre ([www.unipd.it/callcentre](http://www.unipd.it/callcentre)).

## 2.2 Pre-enrolment

The pre-enrolment application can be completed online

**from 19 July to 12:00 pm on 1 September 2021**

To apply for pre-enrolment, it is necessary to:

1. log in with valid credentials at [www.uniweb.unipd.it](http://www.uniweb.unipd.it), click on the heading *Home → Pre-enrolment with limited access → Course Type “Second Cycle degree” → School of Medicine and Surgery - Medical Biotechnologies*;
2. enter the data of the degree qualification to be used to access the course, if not already present in the system. Those enrolled at the University of Padova who are about to graduate will be able to complete their pre-enrolment only after they have submitted their graduation application online; if the application has not yet been submitted, please contact the Enrolment Unit: [www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni](http://www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni). The application also includes the choice of the study track of interest; candidates who have selected the **Molecular Medicine** study track must also upload the following documents online:
  - curriculum vitae in English;
  - cover letter in English, specifying the reasons why the applicant has chosen the study track in Molecular Medicine.
3. At the same time, pay the pre-enrolment fee of € 30 through the PagoPA procedure (instructions at [www.unipd.it/en/pagopa](http://www.unipd.it/en/pagopa)).

**Contacts and assistance:** [www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni](http://www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni) and [www.unipd.it/callcentre](http://www.unipd.it/callcentre)

### 3. ASSESSMENT OF MINIMUM CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

The minimum curricular requirements for access to the degree programme are indicated in Annex 1 of this notice.

Applicants with a **degree obtained in Italy not falling into one of the degree programme classes specified in alternative 1 of [Annex 1](#)** must also fill in the PDF form for assessment of a minimum curricular requirements, available at <http://www.unipd.it/domanda-valutazione>. A self-certification of the examinations passed and suitable for admission should also be provided and uploaded during the pre-enrolment procedure under the item *Titles of Evaluation(Qualification/statement uploading)* **within and not later than 12 pm on 1 September 2021.**

Applicants with a **qualification obtained abroad** must follow the instructions in [point 7](#).

### 4. ADMISSION TEST

In order to be admitted to the test, it is necessary to have completed the pre-enrolment process ([point 2](#)) and, in the cases provided for in [Annex 1](#), to have submitted a simultaneous request for assessment of the minimum curricular requirements ([point 3](#)).

#### 4.1. Date, procedure, and publication of results

The admission test will take place on **8 September 2021 at 10:30 am.**

Candidates must be present at **09.00 am** at the place indicated in the pre-enrolment application summary for the necessary checks, and be in possession of:

- a valid personal identity document;
- the receipt of the pre-enrolment payment (€30) made via PagoPA.

Candidates who, on the date of the test, have not received the results of the assessment of minimum curricular requirements yet, as per [point 3](#), will be admitted to the test conditionally.

**After the test has started, late candidates will not be admitted.**

Any **notices and changes** regarding the test will be published at <https://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-lauree-magistrali-inglese>, under the relevant call for applications.

Information on the Examination Committee and the rules for the conduct of the test can be found at <http://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi>.

The ranking list will be published from **15 September 2021** at [www.unipd.it/graduatorie-ammissione](http://www.unipd.it/graduatorie-ammissione) and <https://www.unipd.it/en/admission-results>. **Such publication shall constitute official communication to those concerned.**



#### 4.2 Structure of the test and calculation of the overall score

The test consists of **60** questions in English, **4** of which concern comprehension of a text in English.

The remaining **56** questions will cover the following subjects:

- 1) Mathematics - Statistics;
- 2) Bioethics - Sociology - Ecology - Patent law.
- 3) Chemistry - Biochemistry
- 4) Physics;
5. Biology - Pathology;
6. Microbiology;
7. Genetics - Molecular biology;
- 8) Immunology.

A time of **90 minutes** is allotted for the test. The ranking will be established on the basis of the scores obtained in the written test, according to the following criteria:

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

Candidates scoring **less than 30/60** will not be admitted to the Master's Degree programme in Medical Biotechnologies and will therefore not be considered in the ranking.

Should more candidates get the same score, priority will be given to the youngest candidate.

For the "Molecular Medicine" study track priority will be given to the candidate with (in order):

- Best ranking in the admission test;
- Best CV in English;
- Best cover letter in English, specifying the reasons why the applicant has chosen the study track in Molecular Medicine;
- interview (if deemed necessary by the Committee).

For candidates in possession of an Italian qualification with a different system from those regulated by DM 509/99 or DM 270/2004 or in possession of a qualification obtained abroad, verification of possession of the curricular requirements will be carried out by the Admission Committee.

### 4.3 Request for a personalised test (disabilities and SLD)

Candidates with disabilities or Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD) may take the tests with personalised support, by making an explicit request to the Student Services Office - Inclusion Unit. For this purpose it is necessary to:

- 1) apply for an individualised test as part of the pre-enrolment procedure on Uniweb;
- 2) send an email to [inclusione.studenti@unipd.it](mailto:inclusione.studenti@unipd.it) specifying the supports, aids or compensatory measures required (any additional time allocated cannot exceed 50% of the time given for regular completion of the test);
- 3) send the relevant documentation to the Student Services Office - Inclusion Unit ([inclusione.studenti@unipd.it](mailto:inclusione.studenti@unipd.it)), together with a copy of a valid identification document, by **12 pm on 1 September 2021**. The form to be completed for submission can be found at <https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusion-reception-and-admissions-tests>.

Documentation useful for support purposes:

- civil disability certificate and/or certification pursuant to Law no. 104 of 1992 issued by the competent medical commission for the territory, proving the type of disability and/or the percentage of disability recognised;
- certified diagnosis of SLD (issued no more than 3 years previously, or renewed at the age of eighteen, by the National Health System or by authorised specialists and facilities accredited).

Applicants with disabilities or with Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD) residing abroad must submit the certification attesting to their disability or SLD status issued in their country of residence, along with the related legal translation into Italian or English.

On the basis of the documentation submitted, after an interview with dedicated staff and in accordance with procedures to be agreed upon, support for the test will be evaluated. It is therefore advisable to contact the Student Services Office - Inclusion Unit well in advance of the test date, by sending an e-mail to [inclusione.studenti@unipd.it](mailto:inclusione.studenti@unipd.it).

Further information can be found at this link: <https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusion-reception-and-admissions-tests>.



## 5. ENROLMENT, CHANGE OF DEGREE PROGRAMME, TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER UNIVERSITY

### 5.1 Deadlines, procedures and useful links

In order to enrol, change degree programme or transfer from another university it is necessary to:

- pre-enrol ([point 2](#));
- if necessary, as indicated in [Annex 1](#), submit the application for assessment of minimum curricular requirements ([point 3](#)) within the pre-enrolment process in the Uniweb personal area;
- be "admitted" in the ranking published on **15 September 2021** ([point 4](#));
- verify the registration of the data of the admission qualification in the Uniweb reserved area. This data will be automatically acquired for students enrolled at the University of Padova, while graduates from other universities should update such data personally, during pre-enrolment procedure under the item Qualification/Statement uploading.

Application for enrolment, change of degree programme or transfer from another university must be submitted from **15 September 2021 by 12 pm on 30 September 2021**.

**For candidates graduating during the year, the enrolment application will be accepted subject to obtaining the qualification by 31 December; if the deadline is not met, the enrolment application will be cancelled automatically.**

Failure to comply with the deadlines and the simultaneous payment of the first instalment is equivalent to withdrawal of enrolment in the Master's Degree Course.

Other methods of accessing Master's degree courses are described on the following pages:

Change course:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/degree-programme-change>

Transfer from another university:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/transfer-from-italian-university>

Contacts and assistance: [www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni](http://www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni) and [www.unipd.it/callcentre](http://www.unipd.it/callcentre)

### 5.2 Student tuition fees and benefits

For new enrolments, the amount of the first instalment of the university tuition fee for the 2021/2022 academic year is € 189.00 (of which € 173.00 is the regional tax for the right to university study and

16.00 Euros of stamp duty). Students with a disability rating of between 66% and 100% or with certification under Law no. 104 (art. 3, paragraph 1), are granted a total exemption, which only entails the payment of stamp duty of €16.00. Further information on instalments, payments and scholarships is available at [www.unipd.it/en/tuition-fees](http://www.unipd.it/en/tuition-fees).

## 6. RECOGNITION OF PREVIOUS CREDITS AND CAREER SHORTENING

Candidates who intend to apply for educational credit recognition for the academic year 2021/22 are required to:

- 1) submit the pre-enrolment application referred to in [point 2](#);
- 2) submit the application for assessment the minimum curricular requirements, if required, as per [point 3](#);
- 3) fill in the application form for educational credit recognition to shorten their career, available at <http://www.unipd.it/domanda-valutazione>, within and no later than the deadline of **1 September 2021**; only the examinations sat outside the entry Bachelor's degree and that are not included in the calculation for meeting minimum curricular requirements should be listed;
- 4) upload, in the pre-enrolment procedure, annexes section, the duly completed form. Uploading is also allowed after the application has been completed, but still before the deadline of **12 pm on 1 September 2021**.

The committee in charge will notify the candidate of the examinations that can be validated (or the need for additional credits to be gained). Examinations eligible for validation will be registered into the new Master's degree career upon finalising enrolment.

It should be noted that educational credits (CFU) required to meet the minimum curricular requirements for admission set forth by the Teaching Regulations of the chosen Master's Degree programme, cannot be validated in the degree programme itself.

Candidates admitted to the first year of the degree programme with credits and meeting the minimum curricular requirements can enrol after passing the admission test (compulsory) and being ranked as "admitted" in the general merit list of the chosen Master's degree programme.

## 7. CANDIDATES WITH A FOREIGN QUALIFICATION

Admission of students with a foreign qualification takes place in accordance with the provisions of the Ministry of University and Research, available at <https://www.mur.gov.it> - universities - foreign students, subject to passing the required tests and presenting the necessary documentation.

For any clarifications, please contact the Admissions and Welcome Sector of the Global Engagement Office, email [international.admission@unipd.it](mailto:international.admission@unipd.it).

### 7.1 Enrolment procedure for EU or non-EU candidates residing in Italy

Citizens of Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Switzerland and the Republic of San Marino are equated as EU citizens. Non-EU candidates residing in Italy will be admitted subject to verification of their residence permit.

In order to participate in the selection process, candidates are required to:

1. complete **pre-enrolment** on the [www.uniweb.unipd.it](http://www.uniweb.unipd.it) portal in the manner and within the timeframe indicated in this Call ([point 2](#));
2. upload the documentation necessary for the **verification of the foreign qualification** and for the evaluation of qualifications for the purpose of the ranking through the portal [apply.unipd.it](http://apply.unipd.it) in the manner specified on the page: <https://www.unipd.it/en/studying-padova/admission/how-apply/study-english-how-apply>. The application must be sent from **19 July until 12:00 pm - local time - (GMT +2) on 1 September 2021**;
3. take the **admission test** in the manner and within the timeframe specified in this call ([point 4](#)).

Failure to submit the documentation, the submission of incomplete documentation or an inadequate qualification will not allow the offices to complete the enrolment process.

Candidates are exempt from the Italian language knowledge test pursuant to legislative decree no. 286/98 art. 39 paragraph 5 and subsequent modifications and integrations.

In order to guarantee a smooth start to teaching, all international students must be duly enrolled with all the necessary documents by 31 October 2021.

Admitted candidates who intend to enrol must:

1. submit the online enrolment application in the portal [www.uniweb.unipd.it](http://www.uniweb.unipd.it) and make the payment of the first instalment in the manner and by the deadline indicated in this Call ([point 5](#));
2. present the original documentation to the Admissions and Welcome unit of the Global Engagement Office, in accordance with the procedures that will be made available <https://www.unipd.it/en/study-english-how-enrol>.

### 7.2 Enrolment procedure for non-EU candidates resident abroad already admitted and interested in the *Molecular Medicine* study track

Non-EU candidates resident abroad already selected for the General curriculum who intend to participate in the selection for the *Molecular Medicine* study track are required to:

1. contact the *Admissions and Welcome* Unit of the Global Engagement Office ([international.admission@unipd.it](mailto:international.admission@unipd.it)) by sending a letter of motivation for the *Molecular Medicine* study track;
2. pre-register on the University portal [www.universitaly.it/index.php/dashboard](http://www.universitaly.it/index.php/dashboard), indicating the University of Padova and the degree programme of interest. Pre-registration is necessary in order to apply for a study visa at the Italian diplomatic representation of the country of residence;
3. take the admission test in the manner and timing indicated in this call ([point 4](#));

Candidates are exempt from the Italian language knowledge test pursuant to legislative decree no. 286/98 art. 39 paragraph 5 and subsequent modifications and integrations.

In order to guarantee a smooth start to teaching, all international students must be duly enrolled with all the necessary documents by 31 October 2021

Admitted candidates wishing to enrol must present the original documentation to the Admissions and Welcome unit of the Global Engagement Office, in accordance with the procedures that will be made available on <https://www.unipd.it/en/study-english-how-enrol>.

## **8. PERSON APPOINTED TO OVERSEE THE PROCEDURE, PRIVACY, NOTES AND WARNINGS**

1) Pursuant to art. 4 of Law 241 of 7 August 1990 (New rules on administrative procedures and the right of access to administrative documents) and subsequent amendments, the person in charge of the administrative procedure for access is the President of the degree programme or the Committee in charge of the evaluation.

2) Candidates are entitled to exercise their right of access to the acts of the competition records following the procedures set forth by Italian Presidential Decree no. 184 of 12 April 2006. The request to access to the acts must be presented at the University of Padua. Person appointed to oversee the procedure for accessing documents: Head of the Student Careers Office, Roberta Rasa.

3) Regulations in force regarding declarations: in the case in which false or misleading declarations result from the documentation presented by the candidate, without prejudice to the sanctions provided for by the penal code and the special laws on the subject (articles 75 and 76 D.P.R.

445/2000), the candidate will automatically forfeit enrolment. The University will recover any benefits granted (e.g. scholarships) and will not proceed with any type of refund of fees paid. Finally, a false declaration will result in exposure to a claim for damages by the interested parties. Further information on privacy and, in general, on the regulations in force for admission is available at [www.unipd.it/privacy](http://www.unipd.it/privacy) and [www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi](http://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi). Any changes or additions to the content of this Call for Applications will be:

◇ published on the University of Padua's Register;

◇ Made public on the University's website at [www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi](http://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi).

For any matters not specified in this Call for Applications, reference shall be made to the existing legislation.

Padua, 28/04/2021

The Rector  
Prof. Rosario Rizzuto  
digitally signed as per Italian legislative decree no. 82/2005

## MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES

### Curriculum:

- General
- Molecular Medicine

To be admitted to the degree programme, in addition to taking the entry test, it is necessary to meet the requirements described in **each** of the following points:

### 1. Language skills:

English Language

Intermediate level, allowing fluent use in written and oral form with reference also to disciplinary vocabulary.

### 2. Previous studies

**Alternative 1\*:** a degree from any Italian university belonging to a following class **L-2, L-13, L-27, L/SNT3 or LM-31** (DM 270/2004) or class **1, 12, 21, 46/S or SNT/3** (DM 599/1999).

*\* Candidates holding one of these degrees are exempt from submitting the application for assessment of the minimum curricular requirements.*

**Or**

**Alternative 2:** Possession of a degree from any Italian university of **any class** and possession of at least **52 CFU**, distributed within the following Scientific Disciplinary Sectors (SDD): BIO/09,10,13,14,16,17; MED/04,07; FIS/01,07

For candidates holding an Italian qualification with a different system from those regulated by DM 509/99 or DM 270/04, verification of the curricular requirements will be carried out by the admission committee.

In any case, it is advisable to examine knowledge, skills and abilities required for admission as described in the Syllabus of the chosen Master's degree programme, described in Art. 2, paragraph 1, of the relevant Teaching Regulations.