



## SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY

# CALL FOR ADMISSION A.Y. 2022/23

LIMITED ACCESS Bachelor's degree programme held in English

PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE  
TECHNIQUES AND METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE

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## 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

General information on the degree programmes' syllabus and structure<sup>1</sup> is available on the following web pages respectively:

- as regards the degree programme in *Psychological science*:  
[www.unipd.it/en/psychological-science](http://www.unipd.it/en/psychological-science)
- as regards the degree programme in *Techniques and methods in psychological science*:  
[www.unipd.it/en/techniques-methods-psychological-science](http://www.unipd.it/en/techniques-methods-psychological-science) .

For further information on one or both programmes, please also contact the following e-mail address [international.psychology@unipd.it](mailto:international.psychology@unipd.it).

### 1.1 Degree programme, campus, and places available

Degree programme class Italian M.D. 270/04	Bachelor's degree programme	Campus	Places for EU* and EU-equated citizens	Places for non-EU citizens residing abroad
L-24	<b>Psychological science</b>	<b>Padua</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>45</b> - of which <b>4</b> are reserved for students joining the Marco Polo project
L-24	<b>Techniques and methods in psychological science</b> <i>(the degree programme is mainly delivered on-line)</i>	<b>Padua</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>35</b> - of which <b>4</b> are reserved for students joining the Marco Polo project

\*of the European Union

**Important:** In case of dual citizenship, the Italian one shall prevail (art. 19 of Law no. 218, dated 31 May 1995). Applicants with dual citizenship (non-EU and Italian citizenship) shall be ranked on the list reserved for EU and EU-equated citizens.

### 1.2 Eligibility requirements for selection

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

- 1) hold an upper secondary school certificate, or a qualification obtained abroad and recognised as suitable for admission to higher education, in accordance with the existing legislation (<https://www.unipd.it/en/how-apply>), **by 31 July 2022**;
- 2) provide an English language certificate attesting at least a **B2 level (CEFR) by 31 July 2022**, except where exemption is granted. The list of accepted language certificates, minimum scores, and exemptions is available on the following web page <https://www.unipd.it/en/language-requirement-admission-degree-programmes>;

<sup>1</sup> The activation of the first year of degree programmes is subject to degree programmes' accreditation, as per Italian M.D. 1154/2021 ('*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 30 (5 per curriculum), the degree programme will not be activated. Information on degree programmes' activation is available at <http://www.unipd.it>

- 3) apply for selection by submitting the documents required for assessing the qualification and drawing up the ranking lists **from 7 January 2022 until 11.59 pm - local time - (GMT +1) on 7 March 2022**. The procedure to be followed varies depending on whether the entry university degree is obtained in Italy ([subsection 2.1](#)) or abroad ([subsection 2.2](#));
- 4) sit the Psychology entry test in **English** at the University of Padua between **28 and 31 March 2022**, as stated in [section 3](#).

### 1.3 Other information - Inclusion, part-time study, and reduction in the duration of the degree programme

The students with **disabilities or Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD)** may contact the University Student Service Office - Inclusion ([inclusionone.studenti@unipd.it](mailto:inclusionone.studenti@unipd.it)) to report any specific need they may have concerning the admission tests (<https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusion-reception-and-admissions-tests>) or to get information on economic benefits, and services available during class attendance (<https://www.unipd.it/en/resources-and-supports-students-disability-or-learning-disabilities>).

It is possible to enrol part time due to work or family reasons or health conditions. Further information is available on the following web page <https://www.unipd.it/en/funding-and-fees>.

Information on prior learning recognition and possible reduction in the duration of the degree programme is available at <https://www.unipd.it/en/credit-recognition>, which will be updated in June.

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

### 2.1 Applicants with an Italian qualification

#### Registering on the Uniweb portal

The applicants accessing Uniweb for the first time are required to create an account at [www.uniweb.unipd.it](http://www.uniweb.unipd.it) and click on *Menu → Registration*.

At the end of the registration procedure, applicants will be emailed a username and an activation code to access the following web page <https://uniweb.unipd.it/password/index.php/en/utenti/identifica/azione/a> and set three security questions, along with a new password. The username and the password enable login to the personal area.

For any difficulty in accessing the portal, please contact the University Call Centre (<https://www.unipd.it/en/general-information-offices>).

**Important:** Applicants will be notified of any deadlines and instructions concerning access to the degree programme by means of the personal e-mail address entered into the Uniweb profile. Such emails are considered official notifications.

#### Pre-enrolment

Pre-enrolment applications can be submitted

**from 7 January 2022 until 11.59 pm - local time - (GMT +1) on 7 March 2022.**

To pre-enrol, applicants must log in to [www.uniweb.unipd.it](http://www.uniweb.unipd.it) and click on *Home* → *Pre-enrolment for limited access degree programmes* → *Type of degree programme 'First-cycle degree'* → *"Psychological science - Techniques and methods in psychological science"*.

Applicants may participate in the selection for one or both degree programmes.

The following steps should be taken depending on the individual situation:

- to participate in the selection for **only one degree programme**, only that programme must be selected as an option;
- to participate in the selection for **both degree programmes**, the two programmes must be selected as options. The order of preference expressed at pre-enrolment stage will have no influence on the ranking lists, which will be drawn up separately.

The following documents are required for pre-enrolment:

a) personal data section:

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

b) curricular requirements assessment:

- language certificate attesting a **B2 level** (CEFR) in English or higher, or exemption papers. The list of accepted language certificates, minimum scores, and exemptions is available on the following web page <https://www.unipd.it/en/language-requirement-admission-degree-programmes>.

After finalising pre-enrolment, applicants are required to pay a **pre-enrolment fee of € 30.00** using PagoPA (instructions available at <https://www.unipd.it/en/pagopa>).

**Contact details and support:** [www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni](http://www.unipd.it/immatricolazioni) and [www.unipd.it/callcentre](http://www.unipd.it/callcentre)

## **2.2 Applicants with a qualification obtained abroad**

Applications must be submitted by logging in to the personal area of the portal <https://apply.unipd.it>.

**from 7 January 2022 until 11.59 pm - local time - (GMT +1) on 7 March 2022.**

If not already registered, applicants are required to enter their e-mail address at <https://apply.unipd.it/applicant/register>. A PIN code will be generated, and a confirmation email will be sent to the address provided to complete registration.

**Important:** Applicants will be notified of any deadlines and instructions concerning access to the degree programme by means of the personal e-mail address entered on the [apply.unipd.it](https://apply.unipd.it) portal. Such emails are considered official notifications.

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' and fill in all the required fields.

The documents to be uploaded during the application stage are listed as follows:

a) personal data section:

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

b) curricular requirements assessment:

- upper secondary school certificate<sup>2</sup> (obtained after at least 12 years of schooling), or certificate of enrolment in the last year, along with a translation into either Italian or English. If the above-mentioned qualification was obtained after a shorter period of schooling, applicants are required to upload the documents specified in the Ministerial guidelines: [https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/moduli/2021/Allegato1\\_EN.pdf](https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/moduli/2021/Allegato1_EN.pdf)
- transcript of records (ToR) either in Italian or in English;
- language certificate attesting a **B2 level** (CEFR) in English, or higher, or exemption papers. The list of accepted language certificates, minimum scores, and exemptions is available on the following web page <https://www.unipd.it/en/language-requirement-admission-degree-programmes>;

c) the following documents are optional at application stage but compulsory **for enrolment, and in any case required by 31 October 2022 at the latest**:

- CIMEA Statement of Comparability or Declaration of Value;
- Legalisation of the qualification, or CIMEA Statement of Verification.

Applicants are also required to pay a pre-enrolment fee of **€ 30.00**. The instructions on how to pay the fee using PagoPA will be emailed by means of the portal <https://apply.unipd.it>.

After the **upload of the required documents and payment of the fee**, applicants must click on '**Submit**' to submit the application.

**Contact details and support:** [international.admission@unipd.it](mailto:international.admission@unipd.it)

### 3. PSYCHOLOGY ENTRY TEST IN ENGLISH

Applicants who wish to participate in the selection must sit the Psychology entry test in English. The test is delivered on-line by CISIA, a consortium of Italian universities of which the University of Padua is a member.

Following submission of the application as per [section 2](#) and payment of the 30.00€ pre-enrolment fee, applicants are automatically registered for the test, and they do not need to take any further steps.

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<sup>2</sup> If the upper secondary school certificate was issued in a country where an examination to access university is required, applicants should also provide evidence that they passed such examination.



The test will be held on-line between **28 and 31 March 2022**.

The test consists of **50 questions**, in English, with five possible answers, of which only one is correct. The topics are listed below:

Sections	Total no. of questions	Time limit
Reading comprehension (2 extracts)	10	20 minutes
Mathematics	10	20 minutes
Verbal reasoning	10	25 minutes
Numerical reasoning	10	20 minutes
Biology	10	15 minutes
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100 minutes</b>

The test syllabus is detailed in [annex 1](#). A maximum of fifty (50) points will be awarded for the test, based on the following criteria:

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

Further information for participating in the test will be published in a document on the following web pages [www.unipd.it/en/psychological-science](http://www.unipd.it/en/psychological-science) and [www.unipd.it/en/techniques-methods-psychological-science](http://www.unipd.it/en/techniques-methods-psychological-science) by **16 March 2022**, with details on:

- the exact time of the test;
- the devices and minimum technical specifications required to sit the test;
- any other information useful to sit the test properly.

**Important:** please note that the publication of such document is an official notification, and all candidates are required to read it.

During the test candidates shall observe the regulations concerning the CISIA tests sitting remotely, which are available at

<https://www.cisiaonline.it/en/area-tematica-tolc-cisia/regolamento-tolccasa/>

#### 4. CRITERIA FOR THE RANKING LISTS

Three ranking lists will be drawn up for each degree programme in this call for admission based on the admission test score ([section 3](#)):

- one for EU and non-EU citizens legally residing in Italy;
- one for non-EU citizens residing abroad;
- one for Chinese citizens joining the Marco Polo Programme.

Should two or more candidates achieve the same final score, each section of the test will be checked separately and those with the highest score in the sections listed below, in order of priority, will prevail:

- 1) numerical and verbal reasoning and reading comprehension;
- 2) knowledge of Mathematics;
- 3) knowledge of Biology.

In the event of a further tie, the youngest candidate shall be given priority.

**Important:** applicants are admitted to the test conditionally, pending verification of the eligibility requirements and of the entry qualification. The applicants who fail to meet these requirements will not be eligible for admission and therefore cannot access the programme, regardless of the score achieved in the test. Failure to meet the deadlines set forth by [subsection 1.2](#) is tantamount to forfeiture of the position on the ranking list.

## 5. PUBLICATION OF RANKING LISTS AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE PLACE

### 5.1 Publication of ranking lists and deadlines for place acceptance

The following will be published at [www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results](http://www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results) as of **11 April 2022**:

- ranking lists;
- results of the selection for: *Padua International Excellence scholarships* and 100 tuition fee-waivers for international students ([section 6](#));
- instructions on how to secure the place.

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

The candidates who fail to meet the deadlines for obtaining the qualifications and submitting the relevant documents ([subsection 1.2](#)) will be removed from the ranking list.

Regular updates on the latest reallocation of places will be published at [www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results](http://www.unipd.it/en/assessment-results).

**Important:** the deadlines for the acceptance of the place and for the payment of the first instalment are binding; failure to meet them is tantamount to forfeiture of the position on the ranking list.

### 5.2 Additional learning requirements



If the final score is lower than the minimum score required, students will have to fulfil additional learning requirements (OFAs) by sitting the related test. As of the third week of September, dedicated courses will be arranged to help candidates fulfil additional learning requirements. Test dates and registering procedure will be made public on the School of Psychology website at [www.psicologia.unipd.it/](http://www.psicologia.unipd.it/). Details on additional learning requirements and the consequences of failing the related test are available in the degree programme's teaching regulations.

## 6. TUITION FEES AND BENEFITS

The University of Padua offers several scholarships and tuition fee-waivers to highly qualified international students who hold a qualification obtained abroad and wish to enrol in an English-taught degree programme.

Further information on the different options on offer is available on the following web pages:

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

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

[www.unipd-scuolagalileiana.it/en/content/call-international-students](http://www.unipd-scuolagalileiana.it/en/content/call-international-students)

The information about the tuition fees due for enrolment is available on the web page <https://www.unipd.it/en/tuition-fees>, and will be updated before the beginning of the a.y. 2022/23.

## 7. PERSON APPOINTED TO OVERSEE THE PROCEDURE, PERSONAL DATA, NOTES AND WARNINGS

Person appointed to oversee the selection administrative procedure and the procedure for accessing documents: the Head of the Student Office.

The selection procedure shall be compliant with the 'TOLC Regulations' available at <https://www.cisiaonline.it/en/area-tematica-tolc-cisia/regolamenti/> and the TOLC regulations applying to partner universities, in accordance with the existing legislation.

The data will be processed by CISIA as per the TOLC regulations available on the following web page: <https://www.cisiaonline.it/en/area-tematica-tolc-cisia/regolamenti/>.

Further information on privacy and existing regulations concerning admissions is available on the following web pages:

[www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi](http://www.unipd.it/avvisi-ammissione-corsi)

<https://www.unipd.it/en/privacy>

For anything not specified within this call for admission, reference shall be made to the existing national legislation.

Padua, 22/12/2021

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

## ANNEX 1: SYLLABUS OF THE PSYCHOLOGY ENTRY TEST IN ENGLISH

### Reading comprehension

The questions in this section are designed to test language proficiency in reading comprehension in relation to the different types of use.

The extracts are taken from essays, journalistic and scientific texts. The questions will test the basics of grammar knowledge (morphology and syntax), the mastery of a reasonably wide range of vocabulary, the inferential skills, the aptitude to grasp hierarchical relations and to establish formal and semantic relations among the text's blocks, and the ability of decoding implicit concepts, and assumptions.

The essays, journalistic and scientific texts can cover phenomena, events, and difficulties arising in studying psychological, human and social sciences (e.g. history and philosophical thought) and topical issues.

### Mathematics

The questions in this section will cover the topics included in Mathematics syllabus typically taught in upper secondary schools.

**Set theory:** Sets and main set operations (union, intersection, difference, complement and Cartesian product).

**Number sets:** Number sets and their properties, simple operations, ordering and comparison. Absolute value. Prime numbers, prime factorization. The greatest common divisor and the least common multiple. Powers and roots.

**Algebraic expressions:** Basic algebra. Algebraic expressions. Operations with monomials and polynomials, special products, factorisation of polynomials.

**Equations and inequalities:** One-step equations and inequalities. Basics notions of two-step equations and inequalities and of systems of linear equations.

**Functions:** Definition of function. Qualitative graphs of elementary functions. Fundamental properties of functions: monotone, bounded, and periodic functions. Invertible and inverse functions. Basics of the following topics: Domain, image and counter-image of an element; composition of functions; exponentials and logarithms.

**Analytic Geometry:** Plane shapes: main types and properties. Pythagorean theorem. Properties of similar triangles. Criteria for congruence of triangles. Perimeter and area of the main plane shapes (triangles, quadrilaterals, regular polygons and the circle). Incidence, parallelism and perpendicularity between lines in the plane.

**Analytic Geometry** Cartesian coordinate system in the plane. Distance of two points and midpoint of a line segment. Equations of lines. Slope. Point-Slope equation of a line. Equation of a line from two points. Condition of parallelism and perpendicularity of lines. Coincident, parallel, and perpendicular lines.

### Biology

The questions in this section will cover the topics included in Biology syllabus typically taught in upper secondary schools.

Chemical composition of living organisms: Bioelements. Properties of water. Biological molecules: carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids, and nucleotides. Structure and functions of biological macromolecules: polysaccharides, nucleic acids, and proteins.

Cell biology: Cell structure. Morpho-functional characteristics of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells. The main components of the cell: cell membranes, cytoplasm, mitochondria, ribosomes, endoplasmic reticulum, Golgi apparatus, lysosomes, nucleus.

Cell cycle, division, heritability: Cell division: mitosis and meiosis. Chromosome complement. Division and heritability. Mendelian genetics. Classical genetics: chromosome theory of inheritance; sex chromosomes. Molecular genetics: DNA and genes; genetic code and its

translation. Chromosomes in eukaryotic cells. Human genetics: transmission of genetic materials- mono and multifactorial inheritance; hereditary diseases. Mutations. Fundamentals of Anatomy and Physiology: The human organism: functions of support and movement, nutrition, respiration, circulation, excretion; immune, endocrine, and reproductive functions. The central nervous system: basic structures and functions.

### **Verbal reasoning**

Verbal reasoning questions aim to measure the candidates' problem-solving abilities by making non-immediate connections between data and concepts and logical deductions of some degree of complexity. For instance, candidates may be asked to establish whether a certain statement, or its negation, can logically follow given other statements, in which the words 'if, then, all, none, some, at least one' are used.

Candidates may also be required to identify a rule or principle and apply it to solve a problem.

The questions aim to test the ability to draw correct conclusions from given premises and exclude incorrect ones and the ability to identify a rule or principle and apply it to solve a problem.

Questions may also relate to the concept of necessary and sufficient conditions. Candidates may also be asked to assess whether a given statement is true or false given a situation and specific premises.

### **Numerical reasoning**

Numerical reasoning is designed to test candidates' abilities in understanding and processing numerical, symbolic, and formal information rather than mathematical knowledge acquired in upper secondary education.

The questions aim to examine the ability to make calculations to arrive at the correct answer, deduce a solution in numerical expressions, identify the rule underlying a numerical sequence, understand relations between numbers, draw inferences based on numerical data, combine numerical relations.

Questions may also relate to the interpretation of several types of tables and graphs.

Overall, these questions assess the candidate's ability to deal with numerical concepts and to make inferences based on numerical data.