CALL FOR APPLICATIONS - 50 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS - AY 2023/24 – DR 778/23

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Art. 1 – Aim and duration of the scholarships

1. The University of Chieti-Pescara “Gabriele d’Annunzio” (UdA) of Chieti-Pescara is awarding 50 scholarships to international students. Candidates may enrol in a free access bachelor’s degree or a master’s degree in the academic year 2023/2024. The candidate should have the access title released by a non-Italian institution.

2. The scholarship is issued upon enrolment and covers the entire duration of the selected degree course.
3. Successful candidates for this notice will be eligible for the scholarship only after actual matriculation at the university.

**Art. 2 – Benefits and available resources**

1. The scholarship includes:

   - **Scholarship amounts to € 6.000,00 -gross cost- for each academic year;**

   - **total exemption from payment of tuition fees** for the whole degree programme, except for regional tax (140 € per year) and tax stamp (16 € per year)

2. Additional services:

   - welcome services and support for social integration after arrival provided by the Student Mobility Office;

   - assistance in registering to and accessing “MYPAGE UdA”;

   - personal psychological support and assistance upon arrival. Materials are also provided for students with disabilities or specific learning disorders are also provided;

   - Italian language classes, if necessary.

3. These scholarships are **incompatible with scholarships granted by other institutions, either public or private**, including study grants for international protection holders funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) or the CRUI, as well as by any foreign government or institution; they are also incompatible with other benefits (grants and services) offered by the ADSU Chieti. Recipients will lose the awards if they have already been awarded other scholarships or grants.
4. Scholarships are awarded according to the financial resources made available in the balance sheet of the university.

**Art. 3 – Beneficiaries and allocation criteria**

1. The 50 scholarships will be awarded to international students who have a title (high school diploma or Degree) valid for access to a Bachelor or Master’s Degree Course published by a Higher Education Institution not located in Italy;

2. Taking into account the strategy plan of the Chieti-Pescara University, in case of equal merit students who are citizens of one of the following countries, they will be preferred: Croazia, Montenegro, Serbia, Republic of North Macedonia, Albania, Bosnia, Erzegovina, and Kosovo.

**Art. 4 – Eligibility requirements**

1. The requirements for admission applications are as follows:

   (a) **ACCESS TO FIRST-LEVEL GRADUATE** - having obtained a degree valid for access to courses with reference to the completion of at least 12 years of schooling. In the case of coming from countries where the local school system is 11 or 10 years:
   - prove that they have attended university locally and have passed all the exams required for the first year of study (if the compulsory years are 11) or for the first two years (if they are 10)
   or
   - be in possession of a post-secondary degree from a non-university higher education institution and of a subject related to the chosen course, respectively of one year's duration in the case of an 11-year local school system, or two years’ duration in the case of a 10-year local school system
   or
- possession of any certifications from other Italian universities regarding the passing of propaedeutic courses (foundation course), filling the missing years of schooling.

**(b) ACCESS TO THE SECOND LEVEL DEGREE.** - Having obtained an academic degree from foreign universities valid for access to Master’s degree Courses

or

-have obtained a post-secondary degree from a foreign non-university higher education institution that allows on-site continuation of university studies at the next level.

For more information on the study courses offered, [https://www.unich.it/percorsi/studenti](https://www.unich.it/percorsi/studenti)

2. Transfers from other Italian universities are not allowed.

**Art. 5 – How to apply**

1. Applicants are required for register to UdA online services on the University’s website [https://unich.esse3.cineca.it/Root.do](https://unich.esse3.cineca.it/Root.do), selecting ‘Registrazione’ (top right-hand corner of the screen). Candidates will then receive a username and password to their e-mail address, which are needed to complete the application. After receiving the user name and password, the candidate must log in and then select “Segreteria” → “test di valutazione” → “Iscrizione test di valutazione - call for applications - 50 scholarships for international students - ay 2023/24”, and then follow the instructions.

**Online application procedures close on 31 July 2023 23:59 (Italian time) Late applications will not be accepted.**

2. Applications which do not follow the procedure will be rejected.

3. Candidates who do not fulfil the eligibility criteria (see Art. 4) will not be accepted.

Candidates who fall within any of the conditions of incompatibility specified above (Art. 2) will not be accepted.

4. Under no circumstances shall the University be liable for any delay caused by a disruption to the Internet services or connection.
For assistance with registration and submission and for further information, please contact the Erasmus and international Office:
Tel. (+39) 08713556625 (Monday to Friday, 9 to 1 p.m.)
e-mail: international@unich.it

**Art. 6- Application documents**

1. Applicants should attach the following documents to their application:
   (a) copy of a valid passport or ID;
   (b) curriculum vitae and studiorum;
   (c) motivational letter (in Italian or English).
   (d) choice of degree or master's degree course of interest form (Annex 2);
   e) Certification of knowledge of Italian language level B2 for courses delivered in Italian-issued under the CLIQ (Certificazione Lingua Italiana di Qualità) quality system.

For courses delivered in English, a certification of English language proficiency level B2 will be necessary.

In case of failure to obtain the certification, the student, before the publication of the final ranking, will have to take a test. In case of failure to achieve the minimum language level, he/she will be excluded from the selection.

- **additional documentation for those applying for a first-level course:**
  - certified copy of the final title of secondary studies with apostille or legalised by the competent Italian Diplomatic Representation or accompanied by a CIMEA verification certificate;
  - declaration of value by the Italian Diplomatic Representation of the place where the degree is issued or certificate of comparability issued by CIMEA;

- **additional documentation for those applying for a second-level course:**
- certified copy of the final title of secondary studies legalised by the competent Italian Diplomatic Representation or accompanied by the CIMEA Certificate of Verification;
- declaration of value by the Italian Diplomatic Representation of the place where the degree is issued accompanied by official translation in Italian or certificate of comparability issued by ENIC-NARIC centres;
- certificate issued by the competent academic authority stating the examinations passed, as well as, for each discipline, the detailed programmes envisaged for the achievement of the undergraduate or post-secondary degree;

PLEASE NOTE.
CIMEA offers certification and verification services for foreign degrees. For more information, https://www.cimea.it/EN/

Art. 7 – Selection procedure and application review criteria
1. The procedure for assessing the admission requirements set forth in Article 4 of this notice is handled by the Erasmus and Internationalization Sector of the University.

2. Applications will be evaluated by a special University Commission appointed by the Rectoral Decree.

3. The selection of applications will be made exclusively on the basis of qualifications.

4. The Selection Committee will have 100 points, of which 60 will be for the qualifications and 40 for the evaluation of the cv and motivation letter.

At the end of the evaluation, the final ranking list will be drawn up.

In case of an equal overall score, the scholarship will be awarded to the youngest candidate(s).

Information regarding the results of the selection and awarding of scholarships will be published on the University portal on the page dedicated to this Notice.

5. All candidates will receive a personal communication containing the outcome of the selection.
6. Successful candidates for the selection will have to complete the matriculation within the deadlines set by the study manifest for a.a.23/24. Only when the matriculation is complete will the successful candidates be able to obtain the first instalment of the scholarship. Failure to matriculate by the deadlines will result in forfeiture of scholarship winner status.

Please, note that the matriculation procedure for second level courses will require further verification of documentation as well as additional aspects (e.g. curricular requirements) by a dedicated committee at the Course of Studies. A candidate who is successful in this selection may not be deemed eligible for matriculation by the Course of Study evaluation committee. In that case, the candidate will lose the scholarship as it will not be possible to finalise the matriculation.

**Art. 8 – Scholarship eligibility requirements**

1. Applicants who are awarded a scholarship shall fulfill the following requirements in order to continue receiving it after the first year and for the entire regular duration of the degree programme:

- Bachelor’s Degree programme

  a. students shall enrol in the second year of the programme and have acquired at least 30 ECTS by 31 October of the same year.
  b. students shall enroll in the third year of the programme, and have acquired at least 95 ECTS by 31 October of the same year

Master’s degree programmes

  a. students must enroll in the second year of the programme and have acquired at least 48 ECTS by 31 October of the same year.

**Bachelor – timing of scholarship transfer**
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Please, note.

If the student fails to meet the merit requirements (CFUs) to maintain the scholarship on the deadlines, no further transfer of money will be made. Therefore, the scholarship will be retained by the university and will resume from the moment the student reaches the number of CFUs stipulated for the deadline following the missed deadline. In the event that the student fails to obtain the expected CFUs for two consecutive deadlines, the scholarship will be revoked.

**Art. 9 – Scholarship acceptance, renunciation, and forfeiture**

1. Applicants who are awarded a scholarship will be personally notified as stated in Art. 7, par. 6. Applicants are asked to respond within 7 days after receipt in order to communicate their intention to accept or renounce the scholarship. Failure to do so will automatically result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

2. The Student who need VISA have to follow Italian regulation concerning international students applying for a visa that are issued every year by the Italian Ministry of University and Research.

**READ CAREFULLY THE PAPER AT THE FOLLOWING LINK**
For more information


3. Loss of eligibility requirements (e.g., in case of withdrawal, suspension, or transfer to another university, etc.) implies immediate forfeiture of the scholarships. Residual instalments are not due.

**Art. 10 – Data processing**

1. The ‘G. D’Annunzio’ University of Chieti-Pescara shall process personal data according to the EU GDPR Regulation – n. 2016/679 (27 April 2016), and the CODAU guidelines on privacy and personal data protection for universities. The “G. D’Annunzio” University of Chieti-Pescara adopted these guidelines with the resolution of the Board of Directors n. 119/2018 (24 April 2018), as well as the Italian decree on Privacy, n. 196/2003, amended by the following decree n. 01/2018. The University will only collect and process the data provided by the candidates. Data may be processed automatically and shall only be used for the selection procedure detailed in this Call, including the resolution of any future controversy. Consent to the processing of personal data is required for the purposes of the Call. Should data not be provided, or should the candidates not give consent to data treatment, applications may not be reviewed, nor may candidate be admitted to any degree programme at UdA.

More information on privacy and data processing can be found online at www.unich.it/privacy

The University has the right to communicate personal data to authorities for necessary verification. The data controller is the ‘G. d’Annunzio’ University of Chieti-Pescara, with the Rector acting as legal representative.
Art. 11 – Procedure Manager

1. The person in charge of this selection process is the Manager of the Erasmus office Dott. Glaucio Conte, +39 0871.3556625, international@unich.it. This call shall be posted on the Official Notice Board (‘Albo pretorio’) on the University’s website in order to ensure its circulation through different channels, including institutional social media profiles. In case of inconsistencies between the Italian and English versions of this call, the Italian version shall prevail.