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**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE DOUBLE DEGREE MASTER PROGRAMME IN
PLANT SCIENCE
ACADEMIC YEAR 2020 - 2021**

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The Director of the Student Registry Management Office

HAVING REGARD TO

Law no. 264 of 02.08.1999 regulating access to university courses;

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Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 24, "Amendments to the regulations on the didactic autonomy of universities" (*Modifiche al regolamento recante norme concernenti l'autonomia didattica degli atenei*) approved with Decree of the Minister for Universities and Scientific and Technological Research no. 509 of 3 November 1999;

HAVING REGARD TO

The decisions of the responsible academic boards concerning access to university programmes;

DETERMINES

A call for application for admission to the double degree Master programme in Plant Science (Class LM-6) for the 2020/2021 academic year.

The programme is developed and organised jointly between the Università degli Studi di Milano (UNIMI) and the Université de Grenoble Alpes (UGA). Students participating are expected to spend at least one semester at UGA and one semester at UNIMI.

Art. 1 - Admission requirements

Graduates of class L-13 Biological Sciences, who are recognized as fully satisfying the curriculum requirements, can apply to the double degree master programme in Plant Science, provided they have completed a training course consistent with the indications of the National College of University Biologists (CBUI). The requirements include:

- 66 ECTS in biological areas (SSD BIO), of which at least 6 in BIO/01 Botanica generale (General Botany), BIO/02 Botanica sistematica (Systematic Botany), BIO/04 Fisiologia Vegetale (Plant Physiology), BIO/05 Zoologia (Zoology), BIO/06 Anatomia comparata e citologia (Comparative Anatomy and Cytology) (at least 12), BIO/07 Ecologia (Ecology), BIO/09 Fisiologia (Physiology), BIO/10 Biochimica (Biochemistry), BIO/11 Biologia Molecolare (Molecular Biology), BIO/18 Genetica (Genetics), BIO/19 Microbiologia Generale (Microbiology).
- 12 ECTS in FIS/01 - FIS/08 Fisica (Physics), INF/01 - Informatica (Informatics), ING-INF/05 - Sistemi di elaborazione delle informazioni (Information processing systems), MAT/01-MAT/09 Mathematics.



- 12 CFU in CHIM/01 - Chimica analitica (Analytical Chemistry), CHIM/02 - Chimica fisica (Physical Chemistry), CHIM/03 - Chimica generale e inorganica (General and Inorganic Chemistry), CHIM/06 - Chimica organica (Organic chemistry).

Other graduate students in the same class L-13, who have not followed a training course in line with the indications of the CBUI or in class L-12 Biological Sciences (ex DM 509/99), or in other classes, may be admitted provided they have an adequate number of ECTS, not less than 90 ECTS, in the disciplinary sectors (SSD) mentioned above;

For students graduated in the L-25 class, i.e. Agricultural and Forestry science and Technology (Scienze e Tecnologie Agrarie e Forestali) and related classes, ECTS acquired in the following disciplinary sectors: AGR02 Agronomia e Coltivazioni erbacee (Agronomy and Field crops), AGR03 Arboricoltura generale e Coltivazioni arboree (Arboriculture and Fruitculture), AGR/07 - Genetica agraria (Agricultural genetics), AGR/12 - Patologia vegetale (Plant pathology), AGR/13 Chimica agraria (Agricultural chemistry), AGR/16 Microbiologia agraria (Agricultural Microbiology), AGR/17 Zootecnica Generale e Miglioramento Genetico (Livestock systems, Animal breeding and Genetics), VET/01 Anatomia degli Animali Domestici (Veterinary anatomy), VET/02 Fisiologia Veterinaria (Veterinary physiology), will also be considered for admission.

Students must be proficient in English, with a B2 level of competence. Applicants are required to certify their knowledge of the English language in one of the following ways:

- B2 level certification (vantage or upper intermediate, as defined by the Common European Framework of reference for Languages: Learning, Teaching, Assessment; recognised certifications: <https://www.unimi.it/it/studiare/competenze-linguistiche/placement-test-test-di-ingresso-e-corsi-di-inglese>)

- A B2 result in the placement test given by the University of Milan.

Candidates may also be accepted provided their level of English proficiency is unmistakably good, as evaluated during the admission test. The adequate personal preparation of the candidates, their ability to communicate in English are decisive elements for the admission and they are going to be verified and tested during the admission interview.

Students enrolled in the final year of first cycle degree courses, who have gained at least 156 credits at the time of the admission exam, can be admitted to the programme provided they graduate **by 15 October 2020**.

Also candidates in possession of university qualifications gained abroad and recognized as suitable by the University can be admitted.

All details on foreign qualifications and access for foreign students to Italian Universities are contained in the annual Ministerial provisions, published on the Ministry website: <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/> and reported on the University website in the sections dedicated to international students.

Art. 2 - Number of places available



The number of places available for the first year is **10**, plus **3** places reserved to non-European students resident abroad (visa applicants).

Art. 3 - Admission procedure and deadline

Applications will be accepted starting from **9 April 2020** and terminate at **12.00 (noon)** on **10 June 2020**.

All candidates are required to apply online, according to the following procedure:

1. Register on the University portal through the page: https://registrazione.unimi.it/reg_utenti_esterni/ENG/registrazione/form.html (not required for those already registered on the portal or in possession of university login credentials);
2. Sign up to the Services for admission to Master programmes with an entrance examination, using university credentials: <https://www.unimi.it/en/study/student-services/technology-and-online-services/online-services-former-sifa>
3. Choose the programme PLANT SCIENCE and fill the online application with the requested data:
4. Pay the fee of € 30.00 by the deadline for admission at the very latest, on pain of exclusion.

The online admission service also requires the uploading of the following documents in .jpg, .pdf or .rtf format:

- Curriculum vitae (in English)
- Diploma Supplement or, alternatively, a transcript of the student's records including courses and marks (in English, French or Italian)
- Certificate for B2-level in English, if in possess.
- Passport (only the pages containing personal information) or other valid ID Document - (only for non-Italian candidates).

Applicants may upload any other document they judge relevant for the evaluation.

Transcripts from candidates of the Università degli Studi di Milano are acquired automatically. Candidates from other Italian Universities may upload a self-certification instead of the transcript.

In addition to their personal details, **candidates who have not yet graduated** must provide the total credits obtained, the average grade, exams taken and not yet recorded with the relative credits, exams not yet taken with the relative credits, and their expected date of graduation.

A receipt is issued at the end of the online procedure, which could be requested on the day of the exam together with the receipt of payment.



Any candidate who provides false details or is not in possession of the admission requirements will be excluded from the final ranking list.

Art. 4 - Admission exam schedule

The admission exam will take place on **23 June 2020**, 2:00 p.m. at the Department of Biosciences, Via G. Celoria 26, room B8.

In case the COVID-19 blockage is still effective, interview will be online: time and connection details will be sent via email few days before the interview.

Candidates must arrive at 1.30 p.m. bearing the identity document indicated in the admission phase for identification (the document must be currently valid), after which the exam will start. Candidates who arrive without identity document, with invalid one, or late will not be admitted to the exam.

The board and the supervisory staff will supervise observance of the abovementioned rules and have the right to adopt the necessary measures resulting from their non-observance. For any matters not covered in this announcement, the provisions on the conduct of public competitions apply.

It is advisable to check for any possible updates concerning dates and times of the examination on the website: <http://plantscience.cdl.unimi.it>.

Non European candidates resident abroad (Visa applicants) will be evaluated based on their curriculum and, provided all CV requirements are met, be invited to an online interview. Details will be supplied in the invitation email.

Art. 5 - Examination program and assessment criteria

The entrance exam consists of an interview with the Commission for Admittance to the Master; the interview will evaluate the expertise of the candidate in topics related to Plant Science degree and will ascertain the knowledge of the English language.

The committee evaluates the candidate on a 100-point scale:

- Up to 25/100 will be given for the graduation grade; for undergraduates the average grade of the sustained teaching activities will be evaluated;
- Up to 10/100 for the curriculum (type of degree, extra-curriculum free courses, Erasmus experience, etc.)
- Up to 65/100 for the interview

The minimum requirement for admission is 60/100. In the event of two or more candidates with the same score, priority will be given to the younger candidate.



Candidates who pass the exam and achieve a sufficiently high position in the ranking list can register on the first year of the course.

Art. 6 - Examining board

The examining board is appointed by the competent academic council.

During the exam the board will be assisted by teaching and administrative staff, who will be responsible for supervising and identifying the candidates.

Art. 7 - Ranking list and enrolment

7.1 Ranking list publication and enrolment

The ranking lists will be published on **29 June 2020, after 2:00 p.m.**, on the University's website: <https://www.unimi.it/en/study/student-services/technology-and-online-services/online-services-former-sifa> (Admission and Ranking Lists - Degree Programmes).

Non-EU candidates applying for Visa will be placed in a separate ranking list, to cover the reserved places indicated at art. 2.

Place winners must enrol online **within 7 July 2020 at 2 p.m.** following the procedures published on the website at <https://www.unimi.it/en/study/bachelor-and-master-study/degree-programme-enrolment/enrolment-masters-programme#c33335>

Publication of the ranking lists of the degree program constitutes official communication to the candidates.

Enrolment of undergraduates will be validated only if they obtain their Bachelor's degree by 15 October 2020.

7.2 Updating of the ranking list

Places left vacant after the deadline for enrolment indicated in 7.1 are assigned to the next students in the ranking list and will be published on the website www.unimi.it - On line services SIFA - Admission Ranking Lists, **from 9 July 2020.**

Candidates admitted for the places available must enrol **by 2 p.m. of 20 July 2020**, following the procedures indicated in point 7.1.

7.3 Candidates with qualifications gained abroad

Candidates with qualifications gained abroad must deliver the following documentation (showing originals and submitting photocopies) to the International Students Office (*Ufficio Studenti Internazionali*) - *Via Santa Sofia 9/1*, by 30 October 2020:



- First cycle degree (BSc. or equivalent), translated into Italian by an official translator, legalized by the competent authorities (*translation non required when the Diploma Supplement is provided*)
- "Dichiarazione di valore in loco" issued by the Italian diplomatic mission in the country in which the degree was obtained, or Diploma Supplement, or statement of validity issued by ENIC_NARIC centres or by diplomatic missions resident in Italy
- Copy of high school diploma in Italian, English, French, Spanish or German
- Italian tax code
- valid residence permit (only for non-EU candidates)

Verification of the validity of qualifications gained abroad is conducted on presentation of the official documents. Until then, candidates are admitted to the programme conditionally and may be excluded from the ranking lists if they prove not to have the necessary qualifications.

Art. 8 - Procedure manager

Pursuant to law no. 241 of 7 August 1990 the manager of the procedure related to this announcement is Ms. Monica Delù (Head of the Admission, Postgraduate Careers and Communication Sector).

For any further information regarding the content of the call please use the Infostudenti service www.unimi.infostudente.it by selecting the category: "Test, bandi e graduatorie".

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