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## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE SECOND CYCLE DEGREE PROGRAMME (LAUREA MAGISTRALE) IN: COMPUTATIONAL SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCE (LM-62/LM-88) ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026

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A call for application for admission to the Master Degree programme in Computational social and political science (Class LM-62/LM-88) for the 2025/2026 academic year is issued.

For Italian and EU candidates and equivalent (not applying for a VISA), admission is subject to an entry test.

For non-EU candidates applying for a VISA, the selection will be based on their academic and personal CV and on an interview. More information is available at art. 1 and 9.1.

Art.	1	-	Deadlines	summary
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Italian, EU residents and equivalent not applying for a Visa			
Steps	Deadlines		
Application	from 13 March to 26 August 2025, 2.00pm		
Entry test	12 September 2025, 9.30am		
Ranking list publication	17 September 2025, 2.00pm		
Enrolment	From 17 to 24 September 2025, 2.00pm		
First update	From 25 to 30 September 2025		
Further updates	From 1 October 2025, 2.00pm		
SLAM's English entry test	24 September 2025		

Non-EU Candidates Applying for a Visa			
Steps	Deadlines		
Application	from 13 March to 29 May 2025		
Ranking list publication	by 12 June 2025 at 2.00pm		
Enrolment	From 12 to 19 June 2025, 2.00pm		
First update and enrolment deadline	From 20 June, 2.00 pm to 3 July 2025, 2.00pm		
Second update and enrolment deadline	From 4 to 16 July 2025, 2.00pm		
Further updates	From 17 July 2025, 2.00pm		

#### Art. 2 - Admission requirements

Candidates for admission to the Programme may have different Bachelor's degrees, but they must have obtained at least 30 ECTS in computer science, mathematics, applied physics or statistics (scientific disciplinary sectors: from MAT-01 to MAT-09,



INF-01, ING-INF/05; from SECS-S/01 to SECS-S/06; SECS-P/05) and/or in the area of political science and sociology (scientific disciplinary sectors: SPS/04, from SPS/07 to SPS/12), with a minimum requirements of 12 credits in the area of political science and sociology and 9 in the area of statistics (scientific disciplinary sectors: from SECS-S/01 to SECS-S/06; SECS-P/05). Students who do not meet the requirement of 12 credits in the area of political science and sociology will be offered 4 online MOOCs (3 credits each one) available at the University's Digital Education Hub with a compulsory online exam to be taken online in front of a committee appointed by the Degree Program before enrolment.

Candidates with an equivalent qualification gained abroad and recognized as suitable by the University can also be admitted to the course.

The application is also opened to students enrolled to the final year of the first-degree cycle programmes, in Italy or abroad, provided they graduate by 31 December 2025.

Proficiency in English at a B2 level or higher per the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is required for admission and will be assessed as indicated in Art. 6.

All details on qualifications and access for international students to Italian universities are published on the website <u>http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/</u> and on the University website in the sections dedicated to <u>international students</u>.

The eligibility of foreign qualifications is in any case assessed by the University, in accordance with applicable ministerial guidelines and bilateral agreements.

## Art. 3 - Number of places available

The number of places available is determined as follows:

- 35 places for EU residents and equivalent;
- **10 places** for NON-EU students living abroad applying for VISA.

#### Art. 4 - Admission procedure and deadline

Application to the entry test must be submitted within the deadlines indicated in art. 1, according to the following procedures:

- register on the University portal through the page: <u>https://registrazione.unimi.it/reg\_utenti\_esterni/ENG/registrazione/form.html</u> (not required for those already registered on the portal or in possession of university login credentials or SPID);
- 2. sign up to the Services for admission to *Master programmes with an entrance examination*, using university credentials or SPID:



https://www.unimi.it/en/study/student-services/technology-and-onlineservices/online-services-former-sifa;

- 3. choose the programme and fill the online application with the requested data:
  - COMPUTATIONAL SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

or

- COMPUTATIONAL SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCE (VISA APPLICANTS)
- 4. upload the requested documents and the language proficiency certifications, if any;
- 5. pay the fee of € 30.00 by the deadline for admission set for the category EU/equivalent or for the category non-EU visa applicants at the very latest, on pain of exclusion.

The online admission service also requires the following documents to be uploaded, in .jpg, .pdf or .rtf format:

#### Graduates and graduands in other Italian Universities

• Transcript of records including courses, marks, ECTS and academic field.

#### Graduates and graduands with foreign qualification

- Diploma supplement or, alternatively, an official document released by the University, certifying the qualification obtained/the course of enrolment and the transcript of records including courses, marks, ECTS and academic field. The documentation is accepted in Italian, English, French, Spanish or German;
- Certification declaring the grade system used by the University;
- Passport (or other valid ID);
- Curriculum vitae (only for NON-EU candidates applying for VISA);

Graduands, besides their personal details, will need to upload a transcript of records, stating the registered exams on their career and indicating the marks and ECTS. In addition, they will be requested to upload a document indicating the exams already passed but not yet registered in the career, the exams not yet taken and the expected date of graduation.

A receipt is issued at the end of the application procedure, which confirms the correct upload of the application request.

The online admission application cannot be amended, nor can it be completed with additional documents once it has been submitted.



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

#### Art. 5 - Admission exam schedule and ranking list formulation criteria

The admission exam will be held remotely on 12 September 2025 at 9.30 pm.

Instructions and rules for accessing the online test will be sent a few days prior to the e-mail address communicated by the candidates during the admission application.

Candidates will be requested to show a valid ID, preferably the same one uploaded in the application form. The exam will start at the end of the identification procedures and candidates without any document or non-valid documents will not be accepted to the test.

The assessment of personal competences and skills for admission to the Programme is conducted through an online written test in English about basic competences in statistics, sociology and political science. Detailed information on the content and structure of the test content will be published on the Programme's website. Candidates who do not achieve the minimum score required by the Admission Board on this test will not be admitted to the programme.

The test can only be taken once.

The admission exam answers are scored as follows:

- 1 point for each correct answer;
- 0 points for each wrong or not given answer.

In the event of equal score point, priority is given to the candidate with the better score in the test. In the event of further equality, priority is given to the younger one.

During the test, candidates must not use books, manuscripts, handwritten notes, calculators, smartphones or any said device at the beginning of the exam, except for the personalized supports for candidates with invalidity, disability or with SLD.

The academic 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.

Suggested handbooks to prepare the entry exam:

• For statistics: Newbold, P., Carlson, W. L., & Thorne, B. M. (2023) Statistics for business and economics, Pearson.



- For computer science: Farrell, J. (2014) Programming logic and design, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, Delmar Learning.
- For sociology: Van Tubergen, P. (2020) Introduction to sociology, First Edition. Routledge, London.
- For political science: Clark, W. R., Golder, M. and Nadenichek Golder, S. (2017) Principles of comparative politics. CQ Press.

## Art. 6 - English proficiency test

Proficiency in English at a B2 level or higher per the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is required for admission.

The B2-level requirement will be ascertained by the University Language Centre (SLAM) upon admission as follows:

- Language certificate of B2 or higher level issued no more than three years before the date of admission application. You will find the list of language certificates recognized by the University at: <u>https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39322</u>. The certificate must be uploaded when submitting the online application;
- English level achieved during a University of Milan degree programme and certified by the University Language Centre (SLAM) no more than four years before the date of admission application, including levels based on language certificates submitted by the applicant during their Bachelor's degree at the University of Milan. In this case the process is automatic, the applicant does not have to attach any certificates to the application;
- Entry test administrated by the University Language Centre (SLAM) held on 24 September 2025, according to the calendar published on the website: (<u>https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39267/</u>)

All those who fail to submit a valid certificate or do not meet the required proficiency level will be instructed during the admission procedure to take the test.

Applicants who do not take or pass the placement test will be required to obtain a language proficiency certificate recognized by the University (see <a href="https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39322">https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39322</a>) and deliver it to the SLAM via the InformaStudenti service by the deadline fixed for the master's programme (<a href="https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39267/">https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39322</a>).

Applicants who do not meet the requirement by said deadline will not be admitted to the master's degree programme and may not sit any further tests.



## Art. 7 - Ranking lists publication, enrolment and updating

#### 7.1 Ranking list publication

The ranking list will be published on **17 September 2025, after 2.00pm** on the University's website <u>https://www.unimi.it/en/study/student-services/technology-and-online-services/online-services-former-sifa</u> (Admission and Ranking Lists - Degree Programmes).

Non-EU candidates applying for a VISA, recipients of the quota of reserved places indicated in art. 3, will be assessed on the basis of their curriculum and on the interview. All the deadlines and information can be found in art. 9.1 and 1.

Publication of the ranking lists constitutes official communication to the candidates. Candidates will not receive any communication. They must personally consult the enrolment deadlines, updating of the ranking lists and every other information published on the webpage of the chosen degree programme.

#### 7.2 Enrolment and updating of the ranking lists

Place winners must enrol online following the deadlines indicated in art. 1, through the following online service:

https://studente.unimi.it/immatricolazioni/magistrale/checkLogin.asp.

Graduands will be admitted under condition until their graduation, which must be obtain no later than 31 December 2025:

- Graduands from UNIMI must fill in the form that will be sent to their UNIMI e-mail address and returne it within the deadline of the enrolment to the Students Registrar through <u>Informastudenti</u>.
- Graduands from other Universities must enrol following the procedure described at the webpage <u>https://www.unimi.it/en/study/bachelor-and-master-</u> <u>study/degree-programme-enrolment/enrolment-masters-programme/masters-</u> <u>degree-programmes-limited-enrolment.</u> Once they graduate, within 31 December 2025, must communicate the degree information details through the <u>Enrolment</u> <u>confirmation service</u>.

Places left vacant after the deadline for enrolment indicated in art. 1 are assigned to the next students in the ranking list, until all the available places are assigned, as per the dates indicated in art. 1.

Failing the enrolment within the deadlines and in the manners indicated will be considered as withdraw of the assigned place.

Detailed information on the enrollment procedure is published on the website on the Master's programs <u>https://www.unimi.it/en/study/bachelor-and-master-study/degree-</u>



programme-enrolment/enrolment-masters-programme/masters-degree-programmeslimited-enrolment.

# Art. 8 - Request for additional time and/or specific aids or compensatory tools for candidates with invalidity, disability or diagnosed with SLD

Candidates with invalidity, disability or specific learning disabilities (SLD) must upload during the online application the following documentation:

- certification of civil invalidity and/or recognition of the state of handicap pursuant to law 104/1992 for candidates with disabilities;
- for candidates with specific learning disabilities (SLD), SLD certificates must be issued by the National Health Service, by an authorized private medical team or by a private specialist pursuant to Law 170/2010, and must be accompanied by a document of compliance issued by the competent health authority (if the applicant was a minor when the certificate was issued, documents older than three years will not be accepted).

Candidates can be admitted to the test with the medical certification they possess, even if not updated due to the limitation for the Covid-19 emergency, an integration of the documentation expected will be requested.

Applicants from EU countries and non-EU countries residing abroad with invalidity, disability or with SLD who intend to take advantage of personalized supports, must submit certification (legalized, where required by current international standards) attesting the status of invalidity, disability or DSA issued in the country of residence, accompanied by a translation, sworn or certified by the Italian diplomatic missions, conforming to the original text, in Italian or in English.

For information, contact the Office for students with disabilities / with SLD at the e-mail address: <u>ausili.ammissioni@unimi.it</u>.

#### Art. 9 - Candidates with qualifications gained abroad

All details on qualifications and access for international students to Italian universities are published on the website <u>http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/</u> and on the University website in the sections dedicated to <u>international students</u>.

The eligibility of foreign qualifications is in any case assessed by the University, in accordance with applicable ministerial guidelines and bilateral agreements.

Applicants with qualifications gained abroad will be required to submit compulsorily the following documents during the online enrolment application:

- Admission fee receipt;
- Copy of High school diploma legalized by the authorities of the issuing country, with an official Italian translation;



- First cycle degree (BSc. or equivalent) legalized by the authorities of the issuing country, with an official Italian translation (translation not required when the Diploma Supplement is provided);
- <u>CIMEA Statements of Comparability and Verification</u> (the list of the required documents is available <u>here</u>) or *Dichiarazione di Valore in loco* issued by the Italian Embassy in the country where the qualification was obtained. If your qualification has been obtained in one of the <u>Countries that are signatories to the Lisbon Recognition Convention</u>, the Statement of Correspondence processed through the <u>ARDI platform</u> or the Diploma Supplement, together with the Statement of Verification issued by CIMEA;
- Copy of a valid Residence permit (only for non-EU citizens);
- Italian tax code;
- Identity document (passport or EU ID).

Upper secondary school diplomas, post-secondary and university certificates are accepted in Italian as well as in French, English, German or Spanish.

The certified translation of the university degree and the related Declaration of Value/statement of validity can be replaced by the Diploma Supplement issued by the universities of countries belonging to the European Higher Education Area.

In addition to these documents, **non-EU students applying for a visa** are required to submit the following:

- Universitaly pre-enrolment application receipt;
- Student visa.

Candidates who do not hold the required documentation when enrolling have to submit it **by 28 November 2025** through the dedicated online service available on the <u>International enrolment in degree programmes</u> page.

The validity of international qualifications is verified upon submission of the official documents. Until then, candidates are admitted to the programme conditionally, and may be rejected if they are found not to meet the requirements.

## 9.1 - Non-EU Candidates Applying for a VISA

# The deadline to submit the application for this category of students is 29 May 2025.

The Admission Board will conduct an online video interview with non-EU candidates applying for a student VISA in order to further assess each applicant's competences and skills in relation to the Programme. A comprehensive list of potential interview topics is published on the Programme's website. Applicants with foreign qualifications must demonstrate that their academic credentials meet the basic requirements equivalent to those required of students with Italian qualifications.



The result of the evaluation will be sent by email at the address used to make the application request **by 12 June 2025.** 

Admitted candidates must enrol within the deadlines and the manners indicated in art. 7.2 by 19 June 2025, 2.00pm.

Admitted candidates will be able to enrol only if there is still availability of places reserved left.

All students falling under this category are required to apply for pre-enrolment through <u>Universitaly</u> by **31 July 2025**, on pain of exclusion, attaching the documents listed <u>here</u>.

The admission to the course is in any case subordinate to gaining the degree or equivalent qualification by 31 December 2025.

#### Art. 10 - Examining board

The examining board is appointed by the competent academic council.

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

## Art. 11 - University fees and right to University education

All information on university tuition fees and the right to University education (scholarships, canteens, accommodations) is available on the pages:

https://www.unimi.it/en/study/bachelor-and-master-study/fees-and-how-pay-them and https://www.unimi.it/en/study/financial-support.

## Art. 12 - Procedure Manager and contacts

Pursuant to law no. 241 of 7 August 1990 the manager of the procedure related to this announcement is Ms Emanuela Dellavalle (Managing Director of the Student Registrar and Education Incentive Programmes Division).

For any further information regarding the content of the call refer to the Informastudenti Service (<u>https://www.unimi.it/en/study/student-services/welcome-desk-informastudenti</u>) by selecting the category: "Enrolment - Enrolment, test and ranking list".