



UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO
PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION - ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/26
BACHELOR
History (Classe L-42)
Enrolled from 2021/2022 A.Y. until 2024/2025 A.Y.

HEADING

Degree classification - Denomination and code:	L-42 History
Degree title:	Dottore
Length of course:	3 years
Total number of credits required to complete programme:	180
Years of course currently available:	2nd , 3rd
Access procedures:	Open, subject to completion of self-assessment test prior to enrolment
Course code:	C25

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CHARACTERISTICS OF DEGREE PROGRAMME

General and specific learning objectives

The objective of the three year B.A. history programme is to provide graduates with a general and primary but solid historical background enabling them to develop a sense of the historical depth underlying phenomena, processes and structures. This educational process is founded on a fundamental knowledge of historiographical trends and languages in the various eras, acquired by means of a mastery of the tools required for documentary exegesis and the use of new IT technologies. Student learning will be supported by an overall knowledge of human history, not only European history,

together with the inter-disciplinary knowledge required for the elaboration of a global vision of the historic context of past and contemporary events.

Expected learning outcomes

At the end of the programme graduates will:

- have acquired a general outline of the geographic, economic and cultural contents of the methodological tools and vocabulary required for an understanding of the complexities of past societies;
- have an appropriate knowledge of the structures specific to a given historical period (medieval, modern or contemporary);
- have acquired cross-disciplinary knowledge in the social and/or anthropological, philosophical, geographical and art history fields;
- have acquired a mastery of the documentary and bibliographical patrimony, including modern functional research tools;
- be able to summarise and communicate information drawn from sources, fitting them into the historical-cultural context which generated them;
- be able to read and interpret historical sources and documents, distinguishing true and false forms and fitting these latter into the cultural context which generated them;
- have acquired full knowledge of specifically historical enquiry methods, both traditional and innovative;
- possess critical skills enabling them to interpret structural characteristics and historical changes and understand a specific geo-political, anthropological and cultural context;
- understand and be able to assess sources and methods of historical knowledge transmission, from written sources to the web;
- be able to critically use the main tools, including IT, for source research and analysis;
- be able to use base historical-cultural patrimony cataloguing, description, promotion, dissemination and conservation tools;
- be able to apply a knowledge of the various types of sources in the historical reconstruction of civilisations and social, political and economic contexts and interpret them in in-depth and effective ways;
- have acquired language (via language education courses enabling them to achieve B1 skills in English) and fundamental professional skills (IT, web, publishing, etc.) at workshops during which themes and methods acquired during courses are studied in further depth;
- acquire skills in a specific area of interest chosen by students, involving a final dissertation.

Professional profile and employment opportunities

The purpose of this undergraduate programme is to provide students with the knowledge and skills required to work in:

- activities undertaken in libraries, archives, museums and, more generally, in the context of cultural activities present in the world of work for which history studies are required or recommended;
- in publishing, both in the editorial sector and in sectors linked to new communication technologies;
- in journalism relating to text production and cultural initiatives;
- in the art tourism sector where historical tools are required;
- in public relations and staff training;
- in public and private research centres working in the humanities, sociology and anthropology fields as well as in the overseas cultural promotion field and the various Italian and overseas cultural industry spheres.

In addition this B.A. programme provides graduates with the chance to embark on the secondary school teaching access process, guaranteeing them the background required for admission to M.A. programmes on completion of which students can enrol on secondary school teaching courses.

Initial knowledge required

QUALIFICATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION

- Upper secondary-school diploma or equivalent qualification obtained abroad
- Adequate basic knowledge of the humanities, including both a general understanding of the history of humanity at a level that allows students to successfully follow the lessons, and logical and written comprehension skills.

SKILLS ASSESSMENT:

- Compulsory, non-selective, self-assessment test before enrolment (TOLC-SU - Cisia On Line Test for the Humanities)

The test aims to provide guidance to prospective students, and help them make a more informed and reasoned choice of their degree programme, with a view to a successful academic career.

For more information on TOLC-SU, please refer to the University website, Cisia TOLC Test section: <https://www.unimi.it/it/studiare/frequentare-un-corso-di-laurea/iscriversi/iscriversi-una-prima-laurea/test-tolc-cisia>

-Test topics: the test focuses on written comprehension, Italian language proficiency, educational background and logical reasoning. To learn more on the test structure and syllabus, including practice samples, visit the Cisia website: <https://www.cisiaonline.it/area-tematica-tolc-studi-umanistici/home-tolc-su/>

- Read the call for applications at: <https://www.unimi.it/it/corsi/corsi-di-laurea/storia>

ADDITIONAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS (OFA) AND REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES

Students who, on the self-assessment test (TOLC-SU - Cisia On Line Test for the Humanities), fell short of the thresholds set out in the call for applications will have to finish a set of additional learning requirements (OFA).

The OFA must be satisfied within the first year of the programme. In order to meet their OFA, students will attend tutoring

activities organized by the University.

Further details will be made available in the call for applications at: <https://www.unimi.it/it/studiare/frequentare-un-corso-di-laurea/iscriversi/iscriversi-una-prima-laurea>

Compulsory attendance

Attendance is strongly recommended, though not mandatory.

Internship criteria

Students have the option of undertaking an internship as an alternative to the 3-CFU laboratory on how to write a thesis.

Contact internship academic tutor for more information.

Degree programme final exams

After earning the required academic 171 credits, in compliance with these regulations, the student may sit the final exam (9 credits) and obtain their degree.

The final exam consists in writing, presenting and defending a written paper on a subject covered by the student's programme, to be agreed with the thesis supervisor. The paper, approximately 50 pages long, normally consists in analysing, commenting, possibly translating, and framing sources, finds, and historical, documentary, critical or historiographical texts according to common standards for that subject area. The paper must be uploaded to a special platform.

The final grade, on a scale of 110, will be awarded following a board discussion. It will take into account the average exam grade, the quality of the paper and the candidate's ability to discuss their work with the examining board, as well as the work's approach, sources and findings. The final exam may award 0 to 6 points. The board may unanimously award honours on a proposal from its chair.

Notes

For-credit assessment B1

In order to obtain their degree, students must be proficient in English at a B1 level under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). This proficiency level may be certified as follows:

- By submitting a language certificate attesting B1 or higher level in English and issued no more than three years before the date of submission. You will find the list of language certificates recognized by the University at: (<https://www.unimi.it/en/node/39322>). The certificate must be uploaded during the enrolment procedure, or subsequently to the portal <http://studente.unimi.it/uploadCertificazioniLingue>;

- By taking a placement test offered by the University Language Centre (SLAM) between October and December of the first year (or in January for Master's degree programmes). Students who fail the test will be required to take a SLAM course. The placement test is mandatory for all those who do not hold a valid certificate attesting to B1 or higher level.

Those who have not taken the placement test by the end of December (end of January for Master's degree programmes) or fail the end-of-course exam six times must obtain the necessary certification privately before graduating.

Computer skills

Students who are supposed to earn 3 credits (CFU) for basic computer skills, as provided by their degree programme, have to attend the "Computer Science Course" through the e-learning platform of the project "3CFU Informatica" accessible at the following link: <https://3cfuinformatica.unimi.it>.

It is a blended course with a compulsory final exam.

The first exam session is scheduled for January, and more will follow according to a calendar to be made available on the course delivery platform. The "Computer Science Course 3CFU" course is managed by the CTU - Teaching and Learning Innovation and Multimedia Technology Centre.

The award of any transfer credits for previously earned IT skills certificates is subject to evaluation. Find out how to apply at: <https://www.unimi.it/en/node/16823/> ("Alternative activities" section).

EXPERIENCE OF STUDY ABROAD AS PART OF THE TRAINING PROGRAM

The University of Milan supports international mobility by providing its students with the opportunity to spend study and internship periods abroad. It is a unique chance to enrich your educational path in a new exciting environment. The agreements entered into by the University with over 300 universities from the 27 EU member countries under the European Erasmus+ programme allow regularly enrolled students to carry out part of their studies at one of the partner universities or to undertake internships at companies, training and research centres and other organizations.

Similar international mobility opportunities are provided outside Europe, through agreements with a number of prestigious institutions.

Study and internships abroad

This history B.A. has a solid international exchange tradition which began with the founding of the ERASMUS, now ERASMUS Plus programme.

A concise overview of ERASMUS is available on the B.A. programme site, on the student bulletin board.

These reciprocal agreements give students and teachers access to a year abroad, an exchange agreement between University of Milan and the universities of many countries including: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, the Czech Republic, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Hungary.

A list of specific universities encompassed by the agreement for History undergraduates can be consulted in appendix A:

<https://www.unimi.it/en/international/study-abroad/studying-abroad-erasmus>

With Erasmus+ University of Milan also assigns study periods in Switzerland based on bilateral agreements with Swiss universities under the SEMP - Swiss European Mobility Programme.

History students can complete study periods ranging from a minimum of 3 to a maximum of 12 months during the three years of the programme, at one of the university's partner institutions. Average study periods abroad last 5-6 months. Study abroad (course attendance, exams, any thesis research work) is accredited on students' return with a number of study credits which take account of the activities completed abroad and the length of the period of time spent there. The related study programme, called a Learning Agreement, is agreed on departure on the basis of courses, exams and activities at the partner university decided by students in accordance with their Italian study plans. Careful choice by the teaching staff responsible in identifying a wide ranging and specific correspondence between the University of Milan's educational programme and that of its partner universities enables students to take full advantage of their studies abroad and acquire the credits they need to complete their Italian studies. The study sectors which can be developed are essentially historical but credits in other humanities disciplines can also potentially be acquired.

This B.A. has a permanent internationalisation via ERASMUS co-ordinator (Prof. Michela Minesso). Every year, specific meetings for B.A. history students leaving for periods abroad are organised to supply them with the information they need on the various institutions available and useful contact numbers. The History Department also has international research and teaching partnerships with institutions: in such cases, specific study plans are agreed with the co-ordinator and the work done is recognised in accordance with the criteria listed above.

The History Department is also active in ERASMUS Plus-Placement which now provides for international exchange for new graduates (within 12 months of graduation), too, and information on the programmes which can be applied for is available on the website. The department works to identify international partners (archives, libraries, publishing houses, cultural institutions and universities) for internships designed to provide professional training.

How to participate in Erasmus mobility programs

The students of the University of Milan can participate in mobility programmes, through a public selection procedure.

Ad hoc commissions will evaluate:

- Academic career
- the candidate's proposed study programme abroad
- his/her foreign language proficiency
- the reasons behind his/her application

Call for applications and informative meetings

The public selection for Erasmus+ mobility for study generally begins around February each year with the publication of a call for applications specifying destinations and requirements. Regarding the Erasmus+ Mobility for Traineeship, the University of Milan usually publishes two calls a year enabling students to choose a destination defined by an inter-institutional agreement or to find a traineeship position on their own.

The University organizes informative meetings to illustrate mobility opportunities and rules for participation.

Erasmus+ scholarship

The European Union grants the winners of the Erasmus+ programme selection a scholarship to contribute to their mobility costs, which may be supplemented by the University funding for disadvantaged students.

Language courses

Students who pass the selections for mobility programmes can benefit from intensive foreign language courses offered each year by the University Language Centre (SLAM). <https://www.unimi.it/en/node/8/>

Learn more at <https://www.unimi.it/en/node/274/>

For assistance, please contact:

International Mobility Office

Via Santa Sofia 9 (second floor)

Tel. 02 503 13501-12589-13495-13502

Contacts: InformaStudenti; mobility.out@unimi.it

Student Desk booking through InformaStudenti

1st COURSE YEAR (disactivated from academic year 2025/26) Core/compulsory courses/activities common		
Learning activity	Ects	Sector
Contemporary History	9	M-STO/04
English assessment B1 (3 ECTS)	3	ND
Historical Geography	9	M-GGR/01
Latin Basics	6	L-FIL-LET/04
Medieval History	9	M-STO/01
Modern History	9	M-STO/02

Research Methodology in History	9	(3) M-STO/04, (3) M-STO/01, (3) M-STO/02
Total compulsory credits	54	
2nd COURSE YEAR Core/compulsory courses/activities common		
Learning activity	Ects	Sector
English Language and Culture	6	(6) L-LIN/10, (3) L-LIN/12
Italian Literature	9	L-FIL-LET/10
Total compulsory credits	15	
Elective courses		
9 CFU in one of the following subjects		
(Note: students interested in pursuing the archival, bibliographic and documentary curriculum in the Master's degree programme should contact Prof. Marta Calleri for the course choice in this group)		
Archival studies	6	M-STO/08
Bibliography	6	M-STO/08
History of Manuscript Book	6	M-STO/09
History of Printing and Publishing	6	M-STO/08
History of Writing in the Medieval West	9	M-STO/09
Librarianship	6	M-STO/08
9 CFU in one of the following subjects		
Greek History	9	L-ANT/02
Roman History	9	L-ANT/03
9 CFU in one of the following subjects:		
Economic History	9	SECS-P/12
History of Political Doctrines	9	SPS/02
History of Political Institutions	6	SPS/03
9 CFU in one of the following subjects		
Aesthetics	6	M-FIL/04
Church history	9	M-STO/07
Early Christianity	6	M-STO/07
History and Philosophy of Science	9	M-FIL/02
History of ancient philosophy	9	M-FIL/07
History of Christianity	9	M-STO/07
History of Churches in Modern and Contemporary Ages	9	M-STO/07
History, Historiography and Philosophy in the Classical World	9	M-FIL/07
Moral philosophy	6	M-FIL/03
Principles of Logic	9	M-FIL/02
Theoretical philosophy	6	M-FIL/01
6 CFU at the student's choice		
(There are 12 elective credits over the course of the three-year period. The student can earn them by freely choosing two courses (6 CFU) or one course (9 CFU) and/or 3-CFU teaching modules, delving into subjects already covered by the programme)		
3 CFU for an INTERNSHIP/WORKSHOP or the MANDATORY ASSESSMENT OF COMPUTER SKILLS		
6 CFU at the student's choice in		
Cultural anthropology	6	M-DEA/01
Political Economics	9	SECS-P/01
3rd COURSE YEAR Elective courses		
MEDIEVAL AGE TRACK		
18 CFU (9+9) in two of the following subjects		
Economic and Social History of the middle ages	9	M-STO/01
Italian Medieval History	6	M-STO/01
Political and Institutional History of Europe in the Middle Ages	9	M-STO/01
6 CFU in one of the following disciplines (if not already taken)		
History of Manuscript Book	6	M-STO/09
History of Women and Gender Identity	6	(3) M-STO/04, (3) M-STO/01, (3) M-STO/02
History of Writing in the Medieval West	9	M-STO/09
Legal History from the Middle Ages to the Contemporary Period	9	IUS/19
9 CFU in one of the following disciplines (if not already taken)		
Aesthetics	6	M-FIL/04
Church history	9	M-STO/07
Early Christianity	6	M-STO/07
History and Philosophy of Science	9	M-FIL/02
History of ancient philosophy	9	M-FIL/07
History of Christianity	9	M-STO/07
History, Historiography and Philosophy in the Classical World	9	M-FIL/07
Moral philosophy	6	M-FIL/03
Principles of Logic	9	M-FIL/02
Theoretical philosophy	6	M-FIL/01
9 CFU in one of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
(Attention:		

If SECS-P/12 exam already chosen, the student must choose SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam.		
If SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam already chosen, the student must choose SECS-P/12 exam)		
Economics and history of globalization	6	SECS-P/12
History of Political Doctrines	9	SPS/02
History of Political Institutions	6	SPS/03
6 CFU at the student's choice		
(There are 12 elective credits over the course of the three-year period. The student can earn them by freely choosing two courses (6 CFU) or one course (9 CFU) and/or 3-CFU teaching modules, delving into subjects already covered by the programme)		
MODERN AGE TRACK		
9 CFU in		
History of the Renaissance	9	M-STO/02
9 CFU in		
History of the Age of Enlightenment and Revolutions	9	M-STO/02
6 CFU in one of the following disciplines (if not already taken)		
History of Italian Risorgimento	6	M-STO/04
History of modern art	6	L-ART/02
History of Political Institutions	6	SPS/03
History of Printing and Publishing	6	M-STO/08
History of Women and Gender Identity	6	(3) M-STO/04, (3) M-STO/01, (3) M-STO/02
Legal History from the Middle Ages to the Contemporary Period	9	IUS/19
9 CFU in one of the following disciplines (if not already taken)		
Aesthetics	6	M-FIL/04
Church history	9	M-STO/07
History and Philosophy of Science	9	M-FIL/02
History of Christianity	9	M-STO/07
History of Churches in Modern and Contemporary Ages	9	M-STO/07
History, Historiography and Philosophy in the Classical World	9	M-FIL/07
Moral philosophy	6	M-FIL/03
Principles of Logic	9	M-FIL/02
Theoretical philosophy	6	M-FIL/01
9 CFU in one of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
(Attention:		
If SECS-P/12 exam already chosen, the student must choose SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam.		
If SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam already chosen, the student must choose SECS-P/12 exam)		
Economics and history of globalization	6	SECS-P/12
History of Political Doctrines	9	SPS/02
History of Political Institutions	6	SPS/03
6 CFU at the student's choice		
(There are 12 elective credits over the course of the three-year period. The student can earn them by freely choosing two courses (6 CFU) or one course (9 CFU) and/or 3-CFU teaching modules, delving into subjects already covered by the programme)		
3 CFU for an INTERNSHIP/WORKSHOP or the MANDATORY ASSESSMENT OF COMPUTER SKILLS (if not already taken)		
3 CFU for an INTERNSHIP/WORKSHOP or the MANDATORY ASSESSMENT OF COMPUTER SKILLS (if not already taken)		
CONTEMPORARY AGE TRACK		
18 CFU (9+9) in two of the following subjects		
History of Italian Risorgimento	6	M-STO/04
History of journalism	6	M-STO/04
History of radio and television	6	M-STO/04
6 CFU in one of the following disciplines (if not already taken)		
Archival studies	6	M-STO/08
Bibliography	6	M-STO/08
Contemporary History of Europe: East and West	6	M-STO/03
Economics and history of globalization	6	SECS-P/12
Film history and criticism	6	L-ART/06
History of contemporary art	6	L-ART/03
History of journalism	6	M-STO/04
History of Opera	6	L-ART/07
History of radio and television	6	M-STO/04
History of Women and Gender Identity	6	(3) M-STO/04, (3) M-STO/01, (3) M-STO/02
Italian Contemporary Literature	6	L-FIL-LET/11
Legal History from the Middle Ages to the Contemporary Period	9	IUS/19
Librarianship	6	M-STO/08
9 CFU in one of the following disciplines (if not already taken)		
Aesthetics	6	M-FIL/04
Church history	9	M-STO/07
Early Christianity	6	M-STO/07
History and Philosophy of Science	9	M-FIL/02

History of ancient philosophy	9	M-FIL/07
History of Christianity	9	M-STO/07
History of Churches in Modern and Contemporary Ages	9	M-STO/07
History, Historiography and Philosophy in the Classical World	9	M-FIL/07
Moral philosophy	6	M-FIL/03
Principles of Logic	9	M-FIL/02
Theoretical philosophy	6	M-FIL/01
9 CFU in one of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
(Attention:		
If SECS-P/12 exam already chosen, the student must choose SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam.		
If SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam already chosen, the student must choose SECS-P/12 exam)		
Economics and history of globalization	6	SECS-P/12
History of Political Doctrines	9	SPS/02
History of Political Institutions	6	SPS/03
6 CFU at the student's choice		
(There are 12 elective credits over the course of the three-year period. The student can earn them by freely choosing two courses (6 CFU) or one course (9 CFU) and/or 3-CFU teaching modules, delving into subjects already covered by the programme)		
3 CFU for an INTERNSHIP/WORKSHOP or the MANDATORY ASSESSMENT OF COMPUTER SKILLS (if not already taken)		
THE STUDENT MUST CHOOSE ONE OF THE ABOVE TRACKS IN CONSISTENCY WITH THEIR MAJOR SUBJECT.		
ANCIENT AGE TRACK		
18 CFU (9+9) in two of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
Greek History	9	L-ANT/02
Introduction to the socio-economic history of the ancient world	9	L-ANT/03
Roman History	9	L-ANT/03
6 CFU in one of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
Aesthetics	6	M-FIL/04
Early Christianity	6	M-STO/07
History of Manuscript Book	6	M-STO/09
History of Writing in the Medieval West	9	M-STO/09
Latin literature	6	L-FIL-LET/04
Moral philosophy	6	M-FIL/03
Theoretical philosophy	6	M-FIL/01
9 CFU in one of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
History of ancient philosophy	9	M-FIL/07
History, Historiography and Philosophy in the Classical World	9	M-FIL/07
9 CFU in one of the following subjects (if not already taken)		
(Attention:		
If SECS-P/12 exam already chosen, the student must now choose SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam.		
If SPS/02 or SPS/03 exam already chosen, the student must choose SECS-P/12 exam)		
Economics and history of globalization	6	SECS-P/12
History of Political Doctrines	9	SPS/02
History of Political Institutions	6	SPS/03
6 CFU at the student's choice		
(There are 12 elective credits over the course of the three-year period. The student can earn them by freely choosing two courses (6 CFU) or one course (9 CFU) and/or 3-CFU teaching modules, delving into subjects already covered by the programme)		
3 CFU for an INTERNSHIP/WORKSHOP or the MANDATORY ASSESSMENT OF COMPUTER SKILLS (if not already taken)		
<i>End of course requirements</i>		
Final exam	9	NA
	Total compulsory credits	9