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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF 10 "UNITO FOR STUDENTS AT RISK" SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS a.y. 2024-2025

PLEASE NOTE:

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Deadline: 9 September 2024 11:00 CEST

ART.1 - Subject, duration and composition of the scholarship

Art. 1.1 – Subject of the scholarship and duration

The University of Turin has established 10 annual scholarships, possibly renewable, aimed at students who hold a residence permit for international protection (asylum/refugee status or subsidiary protection), special protection, temporary protection due to the humanitarian emergency in Ukraine and for another form of protection in accordance with Italian laws on immigration, issued in Italy from 2018. The scholarship is reserved to students who enrol for the first time in the a.y. 2024/2025 and in the first year of a University's study program with free admission.

The 10 annual scholarships will be awarded as follows:

- 4 scholarships to applicants enrolled on the undergraduate degree programs (three- year program) with free admission, listed below:
 - Global Law and Transnational Legal Studies (delivered in English)
 - Languages and Modern Cultures for Tourism (delivered in Italian)
 - Modern Languages and Literatures (delivered in Italian)
- 6 scholarships to applicants enrolled on one of UniTo's postgraduate degree programs with free admission in Italian, in English.

Art. 1.2 – Composition of the scholarship

The scholarship consists of a cash benefit in the total amount of €11,000 (gross for the recipient) and the following support services:

- welcome, orientation, inclusion into university and social life;
- assisted procedures for university enrolment;
- cultural mediation and psychological support services;
- tutoring;
- customised accommodation services for students with disabilities or specific learning disorders;



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ART. 2 - Incompatibility

The scholarships in this call for applications are not compatible with scholarships granted by other public and/or private institutions. If an applicant is awarded more than one scholarship, he or she must choose which contribution to accept.

ART. 3 - Selection admission requirements

Those who, by the deadline of this call, meet the following **requirements**, are eligible to apply, under penalty of exclusion:

- born after 1 January 1995;
- hold a residence permit for international protection (asylum/refugee status or subsidiary protection), special protection, for temporary protection due to the humanitarian emergency in Ukraine, for another form of protection in accordance with Italian laws on immigration, issued in Italy from 2018;
- hold a <u>foreign qualification eligible for enrolment</u> for the 2024/2025 academic year on a undergraduate degree program (three-year program) with free admission, achieved after at least 12 years of schooling, or on postgraduate degree program with free admission of the University of Turin;
- have submitted the application on the <u>Apply@UniTo</u> platform reserved to students in possession of a foreign qualification by 31 January 2024 (applications for postgraduate degree programs) or by 30 April 2024 (applications for undergraduate degree programs (three-year program)) or submit it between 21 August and 4 September 2024.

PLEASE NOTE: In the absence of documentation certifying the qualification held, the <u>European Qualification</u> <u>Passport for Refugees</u> issued by the Council of Europe can be submitted.

The submission of the EQPR alone does not guarantee the positive outcome of the assessment for eligibility of the qualification for admission to the chosen degree program.

The qualification certified by the EQPR must be previously assessed as eligible by the International Students Office.

Students who transfer from other Italian universities or change course within UniTo cannot apply.

The lack of eligibility of the qualification for accessing the degree program automatically leads to exclusion from the selection of this call.

ATTENTION: admission to the chosen degree program is subject to the eligibility of the foreign qualification (verified by the International Students Office) and the possession of the curricular and linguistic requirements.

Those requirements are verified in the following ways:

- For undergraduate degree programs (three-year program): knowledge of the study language of the



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chosen program must be demonstrated by way of a <u>language certification</u> or <u>self-certification</u> certifying at least level B1 (see <u>Art. 4</u>) and will be confirmed through an interview with the <u>Scholarship Award Committee specifically</u> envisaged by this selection. Possession of the minimum access requirements must be proven by the outcome of the TARM (minimum requirements assessment test) envisaged by the degree program (delivered by way of TOLC test). **The respective TOLC must be taken by and not beyond 10 October 2024**; further information can be found at the following pages: https://en.unito.it/studying-unito/international-degree-seeking-students; https://en.unito.it/studying-unito/enrolment-procedure/undergraduate-and-5-or-6-year-postgraduate-degrees-free-admission;

- any failure to take the TOLC required by the study program, the act of taking a different TOLC from the one indicated by the study program itself and the failure to complete all set procedures are **reasons for exclusion**. We recommend that you check the program admission requirements carefully on the Apply@UniTo platform.
- for postgraduate degree programs with free admission: the assessment of the admission and linguistic requirements envisaged by the degree program will be made by the Foreign Qualifications Committee of the program itself and by way of a verification test (written or oral) of the adequacy of the personal training and background. Any language certificates or additional documentation required specifically by the degree program must be attached to the application on Apply@UniTo; we recommend that you check the admission and language requirements of the program carefully on the Apply@UniTo platform.

 PLEASE NOTE: For the purposes of the award of the scholarship subject to this call, the language knowledge will be verified both by possession of the required certification, if any (Art. 4), and by the interview with the Scholarship Award Committee envisaged by this selection, irrespective of any checks already performed by the Foreign Qualifications Committee of the study program itself.

For detailed information on the admission and language requirements and on the venues of the programs consult the degree programs website: https://en.unito.it/studying-unito/programs/degree-programs

Any failure to take the TARM (TOLC), the act of taking a different TOLC from the one indicated by undergraduate degree program (three-year program) itself and the failure to complete all set procedures automatically lead to exclusion from the selection forming the subject of this call.

Any negative assessment by the Foreign Qualifications Committee automatically leads to exclusion from the selection forming the subject of this call.

ART. 4 - Submission of applications

Applications for participation in this selection must be completed by those ones who submitted their application on Apply@Unito. Applicants must apply to this selection, using exclusively the online procedure (Google form) published at the page https://en.unito.it/studying-unito/scholarships-international-students. The application must be submitted by and not beyond 11:00 CEST on 9 September 2024 attaching mandatorily the following documents and indicating the Apply@unito ID number:

- 1. copy of the passport page certifying the applicant's identity;
- 2. copy of the residence permit (back and front side) or, only for holders of asylum or subsidiary protection,



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who have not received yet their permit, the positive outcome of the interview with the Territorial Commission;

- 3. motivational letter in Italian or English giving reasons for applying for the scholarship;
- 4. curriculum vitae et studiorum:
- 5. <u>foreign qualification and documentation certifying the completed studies</u> (e.g. high school score report/transcript of records) and any academic eligibility tests mandatorily required for university access in the foreign school system where the qualification was obtained, equipped with certified translation in Italian, English, French or Spanish (if the original document was issued in another language) or, in the absence of evidence of the qualification, <u>European Qualification Passport for Refugees</u> issued by the Council of Europe;
- 6. self-certification of language knowledge (English or Italian depending on the language in which the study program chosen at the application stage is delivered) of at least level B1 to be declared on the Google form.

OR

Language certification of the Council of Europe of at least level B1, of one of the following languages:

- a) WHEN ENROLLING FOR A STUDY PROGRAM DELIVERED IN ENGLISH:
 - an English language certification included among the following: BEC Vantage, FCE and C, IELTS, TOEFL iBT, Trinity College ISE II;
- b) WHEN ENROLLING FOR A STUDY PROGRAM DELIVERED IN ITALIAN
 - an Italian language certification issued as part of the CLIQ (Certificazione Lingua Italiana di Qualità) Quality System. This system groups together the current certifying bodies - University for Foreigners of Perugia, University for Foreigners of Siena, Roma Tre University, "Dante Alighieri" Society;
 - an Italian language certification issued by the "Dante Alighieri" University for Foreigners of Reggio Calabria, also in partnership with the Italian Institutes of Culture abroad or other accredited bodies.

The language skills will be further verified by way of an interview with the Scholarship Award Committee.

The attached documentation **must be legible, preferably in PDF format,** under penalty of exclusion from the selection.

The application cannot be changed once the participation application has been submitted.

Incomplete applications or multiple applications sent from different email addresses will not be considered.

The submission of fraudulent study documents is an offence. All documents submitted by applicants will be carefully checked by the Selection Committee.

ART. 5 - Selection procedure, award criteria and rankings

Eligible applicants will be assessed by a specific Scholarship Award Committee.

Applicants will be selected for the scholarship award by way of qualifications and interviews.

The preliminary rankings (one for undergraduate programs (three-year degree programs) and one for postgraduate degree programs) will be developed based upon possession of the requirements indicated in Art.



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<u>3</u> and the outcome of the assessment made by the <u>Scholarship Award Committee</u>.

Any ineligibility of the qualification for access into Italian university system automatically leads to exclusion from this selection.

If applicants have the same requirements indicated in <u>Art. 3</u>, and gain the same scores, preference will be given to female applicants and to younger applicants.

Art. 5.1 Assessment for qualifications and preliminary ranking

The Award Committee has a maximum of 50 points available; the minimum score to be eligible for the scholarship is

fixed at 32 points.

The selection criteria adopted by the Committee are:

- congruity with respect to the applicant's study program and future academic prospects at the University
 of Turin;
- ✓ reasons for enrolling on the open access study program expressed in the motivational letter;
- ✓ overall assessment of the curriculum vitae et studiorum

Scores will be awarded based upon the following parameters:

- congruity between the study program and future academic prospects at the University of Turin (max. 10 pt.);
- motivation (max. 15 pt.)
- overall assessment of the curriculum vitae et studiorum (max. 10 pt.).

The minimum score for admission to the interview is fixed at 22 points.

The top 15 applicants of each of the two preliminary rankings will be called to a motivational interview and language knowledge check, for which the Committee will have an additional maximum 15 pt available.

Art. 5.2 Interviews and rankings

Applicants for undergraduate degree programs (three- year program)

The language assessment and motivational interviews envisaged for applicants to undergraduate programs with free admission will take place starting from the second half of the month of September. The date will be communicated in the International Students Office directly to those called to the interview to the email address indicated in the Google form.

The final ranking of successful applicants to undergraduate degree programs (three-year degree programs) will be published from **11 October 2024**, at the page: https://www.unito.it/internazionalita/studenti-e-ospiti-internazionali/studenti-internazionali/borse-studenti

https://en.unito.it/studying-unito/scholarships-international-students.

The beneficiaries will be informed by email and must enrol by and not beyond **18 October 2024, at 15:00.** If applicants gain the same overall score, preference will be given to female candidates and to younger candidates.

Applicants for postgraduate degree programs with free admission

The language assessment and motivational interviews envisaged for applicants to postgraduate degree program with free admission will take place in the second half of the month of October 2024. The date will be



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communicated directly to those called to the interview by the International Students Office.

The final ranking of successful applicants for postgraduate degree programs will be published from **28 October 2024**, at the page: https://www.unito.it/internazionalita/studenti-e-ospiti-internazionali/studenti-internazionali/borse-studenti

https://en.unito.it/studying-unito/scholarships-international-students.

The beneficiaries will be informed by email and must enrol by the methods and deadlines communicated to them by the International Students Office.

If applicants gain the same overall score, preference will be given to female candidates and to younger candidates for the award of the scholarship.

ART. 6 - Acceptance of the scholarship

The beneficiaries will receive a specific communication from the International Students Office indicating the methods and deadlines for accepting the scholarship.

For the purposes of accessing the benefit, the beneficiaries are required to:

- if applicants for undergraduate degree programs (three- year program), accept the scholarship by 18

 October 2024 and complete the enrolment procedure on the chosen course, paying the first instalment of the student contribution, by 18 October 2024, at 15:00;
- if applicants for postgraduate degree programs, accept the scholarship by 5 November 2024, and complete the enrolment procedure on the chosen course, paying the first instalment of the student contribution, by and not beyond 5 November 2024;
- declare that they are not beneficiaries of other scholarships, as indicated in Art.2.

If the beneficiaries fail to enrol for the degree program or do not meet one of the listed conditions, they will lose the entitlement to the scholarship; scholarships not awarded may be re-awarded to eligible applicants until there are no more scholarships available.

Any scholarships envisaged for applicants to undergraduate degree programs (three-year degree programs) that are not awarded may be attributed to eligible applicants to postgraduate degree programs and vice versa, until there are no more eligible students and scholarships available.

ART. 7 - Methods of disbursing the scholarship a.y. 2024-2025

The *UniTO for Students at Risk* scholarship will be disbursed in three instalments, by bank transfer to an Italian account in the name or joint name of the beneficiary.

The first instalment, in the amount of €1,500 (gross for the recipient), will be paid to the beneficiaries, exclusively following:

- 1. for undergraduate degree programs (three- year program),
 - completion of enrolment at the University of Turin by **18 October 2024, at 15:00**; for postgraduate degree programs,



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- completion of enrolment at the University of Turin by 5 November 2024;
- 2. submission of all documentation indicated in Art.4 of this call;
- 3. opening of a bank account in Italy at an Italian bank or a prepaid card with an IBAN registered or jointly registered in the name of the beneficiary;
- 4. acceptance of the contract for the award of the scholarship (in which the beneficiary undertakes to accept the terms and conditions of the scholarship and confirms that she/he does not fall under any of the conditions of incompatibility set out in Article 1 of this selection call);
- 5. delivery of the financial documents required for disbursement of the scholarship, which will be provided by the International Students Office.

The scholarship will be paid in three instalments subject to meeting the requirements indicated in the table below:

| instal ment | amount | month of disbursement | requirements |
|----------------|--------|------------------------------------|---|
| 1 | €1,500 | following enrolment | Enrolment and submission of the required documentation |
| 2 | €4,500 | April/May 2025 | at least 1 exam with respective mark out of thirty of the 1st year among those listed in the learning agreement by 31 March 2025 * |
| 3 | €5,000 | end of August/September 2025 | at least 2 exams with respective mark out of thirty of the 1st year among those listed in the learning agreement by 31 July 2025 * (including the examination already passed to obtain the previous instalment) |

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> Any failure to pass the set examinations will lead to exclusion from the economic benefit and any renewal thereof.

The following cases will not be considered in the career verification:



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- any examinations recognised as a result of prior course credit transfers1
- individual examination modules (only examinations passed in full will be considered)
- examinations not specified in the learning agreement and/or not having a mark out of thirty;
- any Italian language examinations for those enrolled on degree courses delivered in English.

The disbursement of the second and third instalment is subject to the due payment of the set taxes, if any.

ART. 8 - Revocation of the scholarship

If a student decides to interrupt his or her studies, to change course within UniTO or to request a transfer to another university, he/she automatically loses the right to all benefits and is required to return 50% of the amount received.

Special and duly motivated cases will be assessed by the University Committee in charge.

ART. 9 - Data processing and right of access in accordance with Art. 13 GDPR 2016/679

In relation to personal data processing, the University of Turin will act in conformity with the provisions of Annex I "Privacy Policy", pursuant to Art. 13 of the General Data Protection Regulation EU 679/2016.

ART. 10 - Dispute resolution

This call for applications is also translated into English for dissemination purposes only. For the application and settlement of all disputes and for all legal effects only the Italian version shall be valid.

ART. 11 - Final provisions

The person in charge of the procedure is Mrs Elisa Rosso, Director of the Innovation and Internationalisation Department. For information, please contact: internationalstudents@unito.it

The Director
Elisa Rosso
digitally signed pursuant to Legislative Decree no.
82/2005

¹ If any exam recognised as a result of prior course credit transfers correspond to one or more exams included in the learning agreement, the student is in any case required to take at least one additional exam in order to obtain the second scholarship instalment and at least two for the third.



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ANNEX I

PRIVACY POLICY PURSUANT TO ARTICLES 13 AND 14 OF THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (REGULATION (EU) 679/2016 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 27 APRIL 2016)

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The University of Turin hereby notes that the personal data of applicants for the call for applications for the award of

10 "Unito for Students at Risk" scholarships for international students - a.y. 2024-2025" acquired with the application form or with any subsequent specific means of collection, will be processed for the performance of its institutional teaching and research activities, in compliance with general principles of lawfulness, fairness, transparency, restriction of purposes and storage period, data minimisation, accuracy, integrity, confidentiality and accountability, of the privacy code and the University regulations implementing the code and concerning sensitive and judicial data (available on the portal www.unito.it, "Statute and Regulations", "Regulations: procedures").

Pursuant to Article 13 of Regulation EU 2016/679 (hereinafter GDPR), in compliance with the principle of transparency, the following information is provided in order to make students aware of the characteristics and methods of data processing:

a) Data controller and contact details

The Data Controller is the University of Turin, in the person of its acting legal representative, the Rector, with registered office in Via Verdi 8 - 10124 Turin (contact details: certified email address: ateneo@pec.unito.it - email address: rettore@unito.it: telephone 011 6706111).

b) Contact details of the Data Protection Officer (DPO)

The University of Turin's Data Protection Officer can be contacted at the email address: rpd@unito.it.

c) Purpose of processing and legal basis

The processing of personal data requested from the data subject is carried out for the performance of a task in the public interest or in connection with the exercise of official authority within the meaning of Article 6(1)(e) of EU Regulation 2016/679 for the following purposes:

- 1) provision of study grants, scholarships and awards and other services related to the right to university study;
- 2) management of the student career (from enrolment to graduation) dispatch of the relevant notices and storage and archiving of all relevant documents;
- 3) management of curricular and extra-curricular traineeships;
- 4) statistical surveys and historical and scientific research (in aggregated and anonymous form);



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- 5) management of listening and support activities for students in difficulty;
- 6) management of support activities for students with disabilities or specific learning disorders;
- 7) institutional communications from the university for administrative, teaching and research purposes (e.g. notification of seminars, events and conferences).

You are hereby informed that pursuant to the Consolidated Transparency Act Legislative Decree 33 of 2013, the data will be published online in the "Transparent Administration" section and on the University portal as part of publication of the ranking.

For the above-mentioned processing purposes and in specific situations, pursuant to Article 10 of the GDPR, special categories of personal data, such as data relating to criminal convictions and offences or related security measures, may be collected and processed.

d) Types of data processed

The personal data collected and processed by the Controller for the above-mentioned purposes are as follows:

- personal data;
- contact details;
- academic career data.

For the above-mentioned purposes, personal data of a special category pursuant to Article 9 of EU Regulation 2016/679 are collected and processed by the Controller, namely:

- health-related data relating to actions to support people with special needs;
- data relating to nationality, status as holder of temporary protection, international protection, subsidiary protection, special protection and other forms of protection under current Italian immigration law;

e) Provision of data

The provision of personal data is mandatory for the purpose of assessing the requirements for participation in the call for the award of 10 "Unito for Students at Risk" scholarships for international students - a.y. 2024-2025. Failure to provide such data will result in non-admission to the aforementioned call for applications and the lack of completion of the respective procedure.

f) Processing methods

The processing of personal data will be carried out by means of manual, computerised and IT tools that are in any case suitable to guarantee the security and confidentiality of such data.

To achieve the above-mentioned purposes, the data are processed within the University of Turin by persons authorised to process data under the responsibility of the Controller, who are adequately instructed and trained for this purpose.

g) External Data Processors

The data may also be relayed and processed externally by third party providers of certain services necessary for the performance of the processing, who act on behalf of the Data Controller for the sole purpose of the



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requested service and who are duly appointed as "Data Processors" pursuant to Article 28 of EU Regulation 2016/679.

h) Categories of recipients of personal data

Personal data will be disclosed to the following categories of recipients, in accordance with the regulations in force:

- 1) Ministry of University and Research MUR
- 2) National Register of Students and Graduates;
- 3) Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Embassies, Prefectures, Police Headquarters, concerning the recognition of particular statuses;
- 4) Public Prosecutor's Office, State Attorney's Office for the management of litigation and disciplinary proceedings
- 5) Certifying Administrations, when checking the affidavits made pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 445/200;
- 6) Public and private bodies and entities that manage the provision of research grants and/or scholarships or that promote studies and research, projects for university development;
- 7) Ente regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario per il Piemonte that manages services for the right to study (scholarships, residences, canteens);
- 8) Intesa Sanpaolo a banking institution which, as the University's bank, manages the procedures for the collection of university fees and contributions and the payment of scholarships;
- 9) Consorzio Interuniversitario per il Calcolo Automatico CINECA, for the management and maintenance of student career applications;
- 10) Consorzio Interuniversitario Alma Laurea, for surveys on the profile and employment status of graduates;
- 11) Insurance institutions for accidents, public liability;
- 12) External public or private entities for employment, cultural, recreational and sports purposes;
- 13) External bodies and associations operating within the University for the fulfilment of the purposes of the relevant assignments.

The data processed for the above-mentioned purposes will be communicated or will in any case be accessible to teaching staff, employees or collaborators assigned to the University offices in charge, who, in their capacity as data protection contact persons and/or system administrators and/or authorised processors, will be adequately instructed by the Data Controller for this purpose.

i) Transfer of data to a third country

For the pursuit of some of the above-mentioned institutional purposes, the University makes use of possible suppliers designated as External Managers, of Google services for the Educational sector for which adequate guarantee measures have been adopted (for further details see Google's Privacy and Security section referred to in the Privacy section of the University Portal); these services imply the transfer of personal data to non-European countries (these are the so-called "in cloud" solutions of Google LLC).



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I) Data storage period

Personal data relating to university careers (e.g. personal details, qualifications held, transcripts, etc.) will be stored indefinitely in order to comply with individuals' certification and verification requests, in compliance with the archiving obligations imposed by current legislation.

Contact details (telephone, personal email) are kept for the period necessary to achieve the purpose for which the data were collected and will, thereafter, no longer be used by the University.

m) Data rights

Data subjects (persons to whom the data refer) may assert, in the cases provided for, their rights on personal data pursuant to Articles 15-21 of EU Regulation 2016/679, where applicable, to the University of Turin by sending a specific request with the subject: "privacy rights" to the following e-mail address: international students @unito.it.

n) Complaints

The data subject is informed that he/she has the right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority and may appeal to the Data Protection Authority (website: www.garanteprivacy.it)

o) Profiling

The Data Controller does not use automated processes for profiling purposes.