

Notice of competition for the award of 50 scholarships (10 for each Graduate degree programme), renewable for one academic year, in the amount of € 4.000 each (all taxes included) to students enrolled in the first year of one of the Graduate degree programmes of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore - Piacenza/Cremona campuses - a.y. 2024/25.

Having regard to the Statutes of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, issued by Rector's Decree of 24 October 1996, as amended and supplemented;

having regard to the University Teaching Regulations of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, issued by Rector's Decree of 29 October 1999;

having regard to the agreements between Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and Fondazione Invernizzi,

having regard to the resolution adopted by the Board of Directors at its meeting of 29 September 2021,

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Art. 1 - Preamble

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore on the initiative of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences and with the support of Fondazione Romeo ed Enrica Invernizzi announces, for the a.y. 2024/2025, a competition to award 50 scholarships (10 for each of the following Graduate degree programmes: “Sustainable and Precision Agriculture” and “Food Science and Technology” activated at Piacenza campus, and “Agricultural and Food Economics”, “Consumer Behaviour: psychology applied to food, health and environment” and “Food processing: innovation and tradition” activated at Cremona campus), renewable for one academic year, in the amount of € 4.000 each (all taxes included) to be allocated to students enrolled in the first year of one of the Graduate degree programmes of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore - Piacenza/Cremona campuses.

Art. 2 - Admission procedures and deadlines for submitting applications

Applications for admission to the competition, duly filled in according to the template attached to this notice and available on the website www.unicatt.it, should be sent by e-mail to borsedistudio-pc@unicatt.it **from Monday, April 15, 2024 until Friday, July 19, 2024.**

Only students who will be subject to the variable contribution who are not exempt (totally or partially) from university contributions, in accordance with the regulations in force, may participate in this competition.

Candidates wishing to apply for a scholarship must submit the following documents in addition to the above-mentioned application:

- self-certification of the examinations taken in the undergraduate degree programme, specifying the marks obtained, date, ECTS and scientific disciplinary sector. Graduates from an undergraduate degree programme at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore are required to submit a self-certification, which can be downloaded from their personal ICatt page;
- a copy of the ISEE 2024 certificate of the household.

In order to be eligible for the scholarship, beneficiaries must reserve their place by paying the first instalment of university fees for the academic year 2024/25, in order to finalize enrolment in the Graduate degree programme of interest, **within 15 working days after the publication of the ranking list**. If the beneficiaries do not reserve a place, the scholarships will be reassigned in order of ranking until the lists are exhausted.

In the event of fewer scholarships being awarded than the number of scholarships that can be allocated, a second time frame will be available for the acquisition of applications for admission to the competition, approximately by the first half of September.

Art. 3 - Ranking list for the allocation of scholarships

The scholarships covered by this call for applications will be awarded on the basis of a ranking list for each Graduate degree programme, which will take into account the evaluation criteria set out below:

- weighted average in the undergraduate degree profit examinations and achievement of the minimum threshold of 130 ECTS in the undergraduate degree (weight = 70 %, up to a maximum of 7 points);
- ISEE of the household (weight = 30%, up to a maximum of 3 points).

Scores will be awarded as follows:

Ranking	Merit	Income	70%	30%
Points awarded	Examination weighted average	ISEE	Merit	Income
10	at least 30	0 - 10000	7	3
9	29 - 29,99	10001 - 15000	6,3	2,7
8	28 - 28,99	15001 - 20000	5,6	2,4
7	27 - 27,99	20001 - 25000	4,9	2,1
6	26 - 26,99	25001 - 30000	4,2	1,8
5	25 - 25,99	30001 - 35000	3,5	1,5
4	24,5 - 24,99	35001 - 40000	2,8	1,2
3	24 - 24,49	40001 - 45000	2,1	0,9
2	23,5 - 23,99	45001 - 50000	1,4	0,6
1	23 - 23,49	50001 - 55000	0,7	0,3
0	18 - 22,99	over 55001	0	0

Candidates may choose to compete for up to two rankings, indicating the first and second degree programme option.

Upon publication of the rankings, candidates will be notified in writing to the e-mail address they have indicated.

Ranking lists will be made by degree programme, in order of marks and according to the options indicated by the candidates.

In the event of a tie, preference will be given to the younger candidate.

Art. 4 - Selection Committee

The Selection Committee will be composed as follows:

- by the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences;
- by a professor/lecturer from the Faculty of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences identified by the Dean of that Faculty;
- by a representative of Fondazione Invernizzi.

The ranking lists will be published by the Committee; the Committee's judgement is final and indisputable.

Art. 5 - Terms of payment of the scholarship

The amount of the scholarships will be paid in a lump sum by March 2025 to beneficiaries who are regularly enrolled. If some beneficiaries are not regularly enrolled, additional beneficiaries regularly enrolled in the order of the ranking list will be re-entered. If the ranking list for a degree programme is exhausted, beneficiaries may be selected from other ranking lists, in order of points.

Art. 6 - Scholarship retention requirement

Students receiving the scholarship will have the possibility of confirming the scholarship, of the same amount, also in the following year of enrolment. The retention requirement is determined as follows:

- those enrolled in the 1st year must acquire at least 30 ECTS by October 31, 2025 with a weighted average mark of no less than 26/30. The amount will be paid to students regularly enrolled in the 2nd year of the same degree programme at the end of March 2026.

Art. 7 - Data processing

The personal data collected will be processed in compliance with the applicable legal provisions and on the basis of the consents provided by the candidates. For the exercise of the rights provided for by the GDPR 679/2016, and by the legislation in force, the data controller is Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore.

Art. 8 - Information on tax treatment

Please note that, in compliance with the provisions of Article 50 of the T.U.I.R. (Income Tax Consolidation Act), income from scholarships, grants, awards and subsidies paid for study purposes constitute income assimilated to employee income.