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Dear student,

I would like to warmly welcome you to the family of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, a university that has always placed the future of the new generations at the heart of its mission, relying on the power of education and culture.

For over a century, our university has had faith in young people. Father Gemelli, our founder, used to firmly repeat this in his speeches. In particular, I like to recall this passage from his speech at the inauguration ceremony of the 1951/52 academic year: 'I am convinced [...] that we must trust the young, we must help them, we must follow them, understand them'.

A trust, therefore, that requires us to provide you with a university experience capable of accompanying you in your professional, cultural and personal growth. One of the aims of the programmes we offer - the quality of which is internationally recognised - is to educate you to adopt a long and integral view. In fact, the degree programmes are characterised not only by the solidity of the contents, but also by an implicit innovativeness, which takes into account the continuous transformations of both society and the world of work, thanks above all to an interdisciplinary approach.

Our activities are carried out with the priority of caring for each enrolled student and enhancing their experience in beautiful, hospitable, functional and technologically-advanced spaces. The historic campuses have recently been joined by the Polo San Francesco in Milan. An area that once housed a barracks from the Napoleonic era, itself built on an old Franciscan convent from the 14th century, is now available to students. It is an investment in the future, in your future.

Every day, we professors and lecturers are called upon to impart knowledge, skills and methods to you - often dealing with frontier issues - in the wake of a century-old tradition that emphasises ethical aspects, develops critical thinking and takes care of the relational dimension. The educational objective we propose is geared towards bringing into dialogue multiple intelligences - those of the head, heart and hands - to allow you to cultivate your talents in the best possible way. Attention to the person, the alliance between generations, and the desire to devise new paradigms to understand the changes taking place are the fundamental components of our identity, which we intend to preserve, nurture and renew.

In particular, this is at the heart of the *Strategic Plan of Università Cattolica for the three-year period 2026–2028* (www.unicatt.it/ateneo/universita-cattolica/piano-strategico.html) whose guiding principle are: enhancing our identity as a non-profit *Catholic* university; promoting full integration between the roles of educational community and research university, whilst placing students at the heart of university life; creating a place not merely for knowledge transmission but rather for knowledge experience.

Università Cattolica is an educating community open to continuous confrontation with the reality that surrounds it. This also requires a direct commitment on your part, because to understand what is happening in the world, classroom lectures are not enough. We are able to offer you internships, study abroad periods and volunteer work experiences. These are all enriching opportunities. And so are the experiences in representative bodies, in the work of student associations, in the organisation of meetings and initiatives. The active participation of students in the life of the university is a hallmark that we want to preserve and strengthen.

The guide you are currently consulting provides you with the necessary information relating to the degree programme you have enrolled in. Course syllabi and updates on the University's initiatives can be found on the website: <https://milano.unicatt.it/facolta/economia>

To make you feel myself even closer to you, I would like to reiterate my availability to receive and meet on a regular basis with those who want to have a moment of dialogue and confrontation with the aim of grasping and interpreting your needs and proposals.

I hope that your university journey will be full of enthusiasm and satisfaction, urging all of you not to stop in the face of difficulties but to move forward with the confidence, hope, commitment and effort necessary for the coming goals.

Be proud to be part of the great family of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and to contribute to writing its history.

The Rector
Elena Beccalli

OPEN NEW DOORS

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, affectionately known as Cattolica, is a comprehensive university, covering an impressive range of programmes from Medicine, Communication, Philosophy and the Arts, through to Economics & Business, Accounting & Finance, Agriculture, Psychology and Linguistics.

In the renowned QS World University Rankings by Subject Cattolica's ascendancy placed the University in formidable company, with 17 disciplines ranked in the top 400 in the world, or higher.

Studying at Cattolica is to study at one of our five distinct campuses, each teaching subjects relevant to their territory.

Milan: Italy's economic, business and communication capital. Rome: the Eternal city, where our medical school is affiliated with the Gemelli hospital, ranked #1 in Italy and #33 worldwide based on the World's Best Hospital 2026 Ranking by Newsweek. Piacenza-Cremona: located at the crossroads of Italy's famous agricultural heartland and a pivotal logistics hub. Brescia: art and tourism run through its veins but it also hosts Cattolica's cutting-edge Physics and Math labs.

Whichever your choice of location or subject, you remain part of one family. The Cattolica family.

One whose networks touch every corner of the globe, whose care and commitment towards every student binds us as one.

And ensures an international study experience like no other.

UNIVERSITÀ CATTOLICA DEL SACRO CUORE - FACTS AND FIGURES

Founded in 1921

36,000+ Students - 19,221 FTE

5,500 International students

128 different nationalities

12 Schools, 5 Campuses across Italy: 1. Milan; 2. Piacenza; 3. Cremona;

4. Rome; 5. Brescia

200 Italian-taught programs

56 English-taught programs

100+ Research centres

1,651 full professors, 4,200+ lecturers

17 Subjects in the TOP 400 QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026

10,000+ Internships per year

AIMS AND STRUCTURE OF UNIVERSITÀ CATTOLICA DEL SACRO CUORE

CHARACTER AND AIMS

The character and aims of Università Cattolica, which gained legal recognition through R.D. no.1661 on 2 October 1924, are set out in art. 1 of the Statute, approved by Rectoral Decree on 24 October 1996, the second paragraph of which reads as follows: "Università Cattolica" is an academic community that contributes to the development of the studies, scientific research and preparation of young people for roles in research, teaching, public and private office and the liberal professions. Università Cattolica fulfils this role by providing appropriate higher education that is also informed by the principles of Christianity, respecting the autonomy proper to every form of knowledge, and according to the view that science should serve the human being and civil coexistence, in accordance with the principles of Catholic doctrine and consistently with the universal nature of Catholicism and its noble and specific demands of freedom".

The "Catholic" element in our name and loyalty to the Catholic Church represent, for Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, an indispensable condition and opportunity to take a scientifically rigorous and intellectually open approach both to research and teaching in all fields of knowledge and, in particular, with regard to the great questions of our time.

Scientific research is interpreted and experienced through its connection with anthropology and ethics, in the light of the Christian faith; this has allowed and continues to allow Università Cattolica to consolidate itself as a natural place for sincere dialogue and passionate engagement with all other cultures.

All those who freely wish and accept to be part of Università Cattolica must be aware of its scientific, formative and pedagogical aims, and be committed to respecting and enhancing them. To ensure that this awareness is also expressed through personal action, in a spirit of loyal collaboration between all members of the university, Università Cattolica approved its Code of Ethics in October 2013. The Code aims to embody both the "pride of belonging" and to reinforce certain values that - with reference also to the individuality of lecturers, students, technical-administrative and welfare staff - have been translated into a set of rules and guidelines which, in turn, have always characterised the work and conduct of those who work and study at our University. Compliance with the Code of Ethics, which may be consulted on the university website (<https://www.unicatt.it/ateneo/universita-cattolica/codice-etico-e-modello-di-organizzazione--gestione-e-controllo.html>), is an essential part of Università Cattolica's mission, prestige and reputation.

ACADEMIC STRUCTURES AND BODIES

Rector

The Rector is the highest academic authority, legally represents Università Cattolica, summons and chairs the Board of Directors, the Steering Committee, the Academic Senate and the University Council. The Rector promotes the convergence of the work of all components of the university community in order to achieve Università Cattolica's goals. The Rector may appoint one or more Pro-rectors, one of whom may have vicarious functions. The Rector may delegate specific roles to the Pro-rectors.

The Rector remains in office for four academic years and may be reinstated for no more than two consecutive terms.

The Rector in office is Prof. Elena Beccalli Professor of Financial Intermediaries at the Faculty of Banking, Finance and Insurance Sciences.

Pro-Rector

The Pro-Rector in charge is Prof. Anna Maria Fellegara, full professor in the Faculty of Economics and Law, to whom deputy powers have been attributed.

Academic Senate

Composed of the Rector, who presides over it, and the Deans of Faculty, this is a collegial body that deliberates on topics related to didactic and scientific questions of general interest for the university. The Academic Senate is responsible for all the duties related to the organising, planning and coordinating of teaching and research activities.

Dean of Faculty

The Dean is elected from among the full professors and is appointed by the Rector. The Dean is elected by the full and associate professors, remains in office for four academic years and can be re-elected for no more than two consecutive terms.

The Dean of the Faculty of Economics is Prof. Antonella Occhino.

Faculty Council

The Faculty Council is composed of all the full and associate tenured professors and of representatives of university researchers, lecturers and students. The Faculty Council plans the development of the teaching activity, organizes and coordinates its operation and proposes the changes to be made to the teaching system, as provided for in the Articles of Association.

ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURES AND BODIES

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors has the widest powers, both ordinary and extraordinary, to govern the university. The Board of Directors is composed of eighteen members: the Rector, who presides over it; ten members appointed by the Istituto Giuseppe Toniolo di Studi Superiori charitable trust; a representative of the Holy See; a representative of the Italian Episcopal Conference; a representative of the Government; a representative of Azione Cattolica Italiana; and three members elected by the full and associate professors of the various university campuses.

General Director

The General Director is in charge of the university's offices and services and directs and coordinates their activities. The Administrative Director is responsible for generally guiding, directing and managing administrative and technical staff. The General Director is responsible for compliance with the university's laws and regulations, and implements the resolutions of the collegiate bodies in line with the Articles of Association.

The General Director is appointed by the Board of Directors, upon proposal by the Rector.

The General Director in office is Prof. Carlo Maria Gallucci Calabrese.

Campus Director

The Campus Director is responsible for the performance of local management and for achieving the objectives laid down by the guidelines and general coordination incumbent upon the administrative director and for implementing the decisions of the Board of Directors.

The Campus Director is appointed by the Rector after deliberation by the Board of Directors, upon proposal by the General Director. The Campus Director for Milan is Dr Mario Gatti.

PASTORAL STRUCTURES AND BODIES

General Ecclesiastical Assistant

The General Ecclesiastical Assistant coordinates spiritual and pastoral activities within the university community with the help of the pastoral assistants present on the various university campuses.

The General Ecclesiastical Assistant is also responsible for coordinating the activities of the University Pastoral Council and organising the Theology courses.

The General Ecclesiastical Assistant in office is S. E. Mons. Claudio Giuliadori.

Pastoral Council

A consultative pastoral structure, the Pastoral Council is ecclesiastically involved to fulfil the university's pastoral objectives. Its members include representatives of the various components of the university, it is an important expression of the *communitas studentium et docentium*.

Pastoral Centres

Pastoral Centres are found on each of the university campuses and base their educational approach on serving the Christian person and vision. They are responsible for celebrating Liturgy and are places of welcome, conversation, prayer and education. The pastoral assistants are available for meetings with students and dialogue to promote human and spiritual growth. They cooperate with the Pastoral Centres, ecclesiastical associations and movements, prayer groups and volunteer groups, each using their own charisma to strengthen the shared commitment to education, testimony and evangelical mission.

Board of Theology Lecturers

Chaired by the Rector and coordinated by the General Ecclesiastical Assistant, the Board of Theology Lecturers brings together all the university's Theology lecturers and is responsible for optimising the teaching proposal of the Theology courses - unique to Università Cattolica - which, by their nature, play a particularly important role in the pursuit of synthesis with the other areas of knowledge cultivated at the university and in promoting the dialogue between faith and reason. In order to coordinate the work of the Board of Lecturers of Theology, the Council of Theology Lecturers is established, consisting of the twelve lecturers taking part in the faculty councils, assisted by a secretary.

THE FACULTY AND ITS DEVELOPMENT

The Faculty of Economics is recognised nationally and internationally as a place of university education of excellence, with a history dating back to 1947. For the new academic year 2025/26 presents a rich and varied educational offer of tradition, where undergraduate and graduate degrees merge into a study project that stands out for the modernity of its content and its anchoring to the values of an economy at the service of the person and the common good.

The fundamental characteristics of our educational offer are twofold: to offer a common base of knowledge useful for successfully qualifying in the world of work and professions; to allow all students to follow their aspirations, inclinations and interests right from the construction of their degree curriculum, thanks to the wide range of curricula and courses of their choice.

The teaching is also enriched by numerous opportunities to participate in meetings, workshops and seminars, where students can get involved in current and stimulating debates, also increasing their ability to critically analyse their own thoughts and communicate them clearly and effectively.

Over the decades, the Faculty has trained countless graduates and, thanks to this experience, the educational offer has developed over the years with new degrees, progressively increasing educational opportunities for integration with the course of study (internships, study-abroad, among others), useful for promoting valuable and complete personal and professional growth.

Quality teaching and attention to the individual are the fundamental characteristics of our university study method, which is increasingly relevant and effective because it is based on a vision of economics anchored to values.

Thanks to a teaching staff of high scientific level and with proven teaching skills, the lessons are enriched every year with innovative and stimulating content, and are conducted in such a way as to allow students, in the various degree programmes, to interact and actively participate in an interactive teaching method, in line with the economic transformations of our time and attentive to the needs of young people.

Solidarity, inclusion and sustainability are the universal keys to understanding an economic model that has always been part of our vision and that we want to pass on to new generations with the same enthusiasm of decades of educational and scientific experience.

From data to theoretical models, everything revolves around the complexity of phenomena, which is addressed in the various subjects with the necessary graduality and with a strong focus on the impact, effects and results of decisions concerning the economy.

The mix of knowledge that is transmitted is divided into different areas: business, economic, legal, quantitative and humanistic knowledge all contribute to effective training.

The family of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore is the ideal environment to take the opportunity to join this educational project that sees the economy as a driving force for development and widespread opportunities for all people and all nations.

In our classrooms, students have the opportunity to acquire a mentality that is truly open to international dynamics, as well as attentive to environmental and local issues, so that our graduates grow as people capable of orienting themselves in the best possible way in the professional future that awaits them, committed to being bearers of good in civil society and in the world.

The design of the degree curricula aims to balance **a strong interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary foundation** with a course structure that reflects the specialised needs of reality.

The three-year formative cycle is based on a set of courses common to all degrees. The reasons for this choice relate to the need to anchor education in a group of basic disciplines in the economic, managerial, legal, quantitative and humanistic fields, but also to allow young people to make a better-informed choice of their degree programme.

In particular, **in the academic year 2026/2027**, the formative project of the Faculty of Economics is characterised as follows: courses are more clearly divided into curricula; collaboration with the world of work and professions in the planning of study programmes and in the implementation of parts of the academic path itself; organisation of study paths characterised also by an important role played by research activities that strengthen their specific skills; a balanced distribution of students' learning commitments, proportionate to the staff and skills actually available; introduction of homogeneous and compact organisational forms of teaching; implementation of advanced and more interactive teaching methods.

The Faculty of Economics also stands out for its focus on **building on the already ample opportunities for accessing** higher education, which is nowadays a key resource. Indeed, ever since the beginning of the post-war period, the Faculty has offered courses in the late afternoon and evening, in addition to those held in the morning and afternoon. This was to allow people to access university who, for various work-related reasons, could not attend during the day.

An ideal innovation for working students in the evening courses is the launch of the graduate degree in **Management and Business Consultancy**, which is available at both Milan and Rome campus-

The graduate degree in **Management and Business Consultancy**, based on the experience of the late-afternoon programme in "**Markets and Business Strategies**", shares part of the basic formative path with the other graduate programmes in business economics, whilst also offering an original blended formula.

Thanks to close collaboration with the Centre for Innovation and Development of Educational and Technological Activities of the University (Ilab) and with the Research Centre on Media, Information and Technology Education (Cremi), 50% of the degree programme is delivered in person, during the weekends (no longer in the evening), with the other 50% delivered online using the latest e-learning technologies.

Classroom learning is still present, therefore, and offers more than frontal lectures: it is also an opportunity for discussion between students and revision of work completed online.

In addition to providing moments for self-learning through the study and consultation of teaching materials, the online part of the programme requires students to engage in a series of distance-learning activities on the university Blackboard platform. These include consulting "video lectures" or supplementary materials; creating a database of contents; conducting practical tasks and/or case studies, including in groups; evaluating the topics covered; and, finally, coaching/tutoring activities, thanks to constant contact and discussion with the course lecturer.

Finally, we wish to highlight the ways in which the Faculty emphasises both **foreign language knowledge** and **computer tools** in its formative design by organising courses that use the **most advanced teaching and learning technologies**. With regard to language skills, constant collaboration with the Faculty of Linguistic Sciences and Foreign Literatures and the exchange agreements in place make it possible to learn the main European languages and those of rapidly developing territories, and to follow courses at the best European and international universities, so that students can integrate their learning in specific disciplinary areas with the language and culture of different countries.

TEACHING STAFF

(as of July 2026)

The Faculty has 118 first- and second-tier tenured professors and 47 researchers working in different disciplinary fields in five major areas:

- a. economics;
- b. business;
- c. law;
- d. mathematics and statistics;
- e. history, socio-psychology, humanities.

Dean: Prof. Antonella Occhino

Full professors

Eugenio Anessi Pessina, Giuseppe Arbia, Stefano Baraldi, Alessandro Baroncelli, Massimo Belcredi, Monica Piera Bianchi, Domenico Bodega, Massimo Bordignon, Stefano Bozzi, Chiara Luisa Cantu', Lorenzo Cappellari, Antonio Cetra, Americo Cicchetti, Luca Vittorio Angelo Colombo, Lucia Corno, Alessandro D'adda, Alfredo D'angelo, Alfonso Del Giudice, Laura Deldossi, Domenico Delli Gatti, Donatella Depperu, Gianluca Femminis, Gianpiero Fumi, Mara Gorli, Marco Grazzi, Giuliano Orlando Iannotta, Barbara Imperatori, Andrea Maria Locatelli, Maurizio Logozzo, Marco Angelo Lossani, Claudio Lucifora, Manuela Samantha Macinati, Maria Chiara Malaguti, Maria Luisa Mancusi, Elisabetta Matelli, Enrico Miglierina, Mario Marco Molteni, Fabio Montobbio, Maurizio Motolese, Sebastiano Nerozzi, Antonella Occhino, Marco Ercole Oriani, Ivana Pais, Matteo Pedrini, Stefano Peluso, Angela Kate Pettinicchio, Federica Poli, Davide Radi, Federico Rajola, Duccio Regoli, Alessandro Rosina, Paolo Russo, Emiliano Santoro, Andrea Signori, Piero Tedeschi, Annalisa Tunisini, Gilberto Turati, Silvia Vanoni, Stefano Villa, Maria Enrica Virgillito, Marco Vivarelli, Maria Zoia.

Associate Professors

Mirko Altimari, Vittorio Bachelet, Valeria Belvedere, Claudio Besana, Silvia Biraghi, Rita Bissola, Francesco Bogliacino, Bruno Buonaguidi, Benedetto Lorenzo Cannatelli, Gabriele Cantaluppi, Elena Cantu', Andrea Cappozzo, Federico Castelletti, Antonella Cifalino', Ferdinando Colombo, Tommaso Colussi, Elena Cottini, Antonio De Belvis, Carlo Alberto De Bernardi, Ciro De Florio, Michele Faioli, Paola Fandella, Daniela Maria Frenda, Antonella La Rocca, Marco Le Moglie, Jianyi Lin, Irene Eleonora Lisi, Daniela Maggioni, Domitilla Magni, Cecilia Manzo, Pierpaolo Marano, Riccardo Maria Masolo, Michele Massa, Marco Minciullo, Federica Morandi, Roberto Moro Visconti, Carsten Krabbe Nielsen, Silvia Angela Osmetti, Lucia Paci, Andrea Paltrinieri, Chiara Paolino, Roberta Paroli, Gabriele Pellegrino, Alessia Pini, Andrea Quattrocchi, Silvia Rigamonti, Marco Giovanni Rizzo, Luca Salmasi, Matteo Carlo Maria Sandi, Marina Santacroce, Giulio Enrico Sironi, Emiliano Sironi, Jacopo Staccioli, Giovanni Ursino, Amedeo Valzer, Arianna Visconti.

Researchers

Koray Aktas, Daniela Aliberti, Alessia Anzivino, Guillermo Arenas Diaz, Paolo Balduzzi, Rosario Barone, Francesco Battistoni, Francesco Bonifacio, Guido Luigi Ceccarossi, Giacomo Ciambotti, Davide Cipullo, Chiara Corvino, Eray Cumbul, Matteo Dominidiato, Stefania Denise Escobar, Lucrezia Fanti, Simone Gabbriellini, Maria Teresa Galli, Luca Gerotto, Lala Hu, Valentina Iacopino, Martina Iori, Fabio Lamperti, Cecilia Langella, Ugo Lassini, Michele Longo, Francesca Luppi, Enrico Marcazzan, Nicola Martinelli, Elisa Martina Martinelli, Milena Migliavacca, Vincenzo Nardelli, Maria Elena Olante, Mirko Olivieri, Marco Ovidi, Rebecca Paraciani, Erica Rita Perego, Elisa Raoli, Luigi Regazzoni, Mojtaba Rezaei, Pio Giuseppe Rinaldi, Luigi Riso, Claudio Sottoriva, Ilaria Suffia, Daria Vigani, Elena Villar, Maria Cristina Zaccone.

DEGREE PROGRAMMES

The study plans of the three-year undergraduate degree programmes share a common pathway for all undergraduate degrees¹.

The reasons for this choice lie in the need to create a solid culture, built on the methodology and content of the disciplines in the four fundamental areas that distinguish the Faculty of Economics at Università Cattolica.

In an extremely complex reality, where roles and knowledge change rapidly, basing the training of young people on fundamental knowledge is key to remaining flexible and adaptable.

In the field of economic studies, it is important to take the disciplines in the areas of economics, business economics, law and mathematics and statistics as starting points, and to integrate them with modern tools of communication and information and linguistic skills, upon which the specific courses of each degree programme are then grafted.

In order to obtain a three-year degree, 180 ECTS are required; as a rule, 60 ECTS are acquired each year and students will take assessments on the individual courses as well as other supplementary forms of education.

A certain number of ECTS, the same for all students, is attributed to each course; the mark (out of 30) varies according to the level of preparation of the student. The final degree mark, which includes the results of the final examination, is out of 110.

In addition to the exams provided for in the study plan, students must pass three semester-long courses in *Theology* (12 weeks, three hours per week), one in each year of the programme. The Theology courses are unique to our university (see also "*Theology courses*" on page 88 of this Guide).

¹ Exceptions are the *Service Management* profile of the *Economics and Business Management* degree programme and the *Economics of artistic, cultural and creative enterprises* interfaculty degree programme.

In the academic year 2026/2027 the following three-year courses will be launched, which relate to the below degree classifications:

MILAN CAMPUS

Class L-18 Economic and Business Administration Sciences:

- **Economics and Business Management**
- **Economics and Business Legislation**
- **Economics and Management** (entirely delivered in English)
- **Economics of artistic, cultural and creative enterprises** (interfaculty degree with the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy)

Class L-33 Economic Sciences:

- **Business and Market Economics**

ROME CAMPUS

Class L-18 Economic and Business Administration Sciences:

- **Economics and Business Management** (interfaculty degree with the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery)

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS, DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES FOR CANDIDATES WITH NON-ITALIAN QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor programmes offered in Economics and management

Application deadline: February 25, 2026

NOTE: Evaluations and admission offers will only be made based on the availability of places. Should the programme reach full capacities, applicants may be placed on a waiting list. Feedback will be provided on a rolling basis by the end of June 2026.

Entry requirements*

Undergraduate requirements

- A high school qualification awarded after a minimum of 12 years of global schooling.
- The high school qualification must satisfy the requirements for access to university-level studies in the awarding country:
 1. US Diploma: students must pass 3 APs exams in different subjects.
 2. Canadian Diploma: students satisfy the requirements for access to university as prescribed by each of the 13 Provinces and Territories in terms of both credits and subject combination.
 3. British Diploma: min. 3 A-levels in subjects relevant to the chosen degree course.
 4. IB Diploma: full diploma.
 5. Sri Lankan A-levels: students must pass 3 subjects at AI with at least an OP (S).
 6. Scottish qualifications: students must certify the passing of at least 3 AH or, alternatively, 2 AH and at least 4 H.
 7. National Diploma: if admission to university-level studies is subject to a special exam in the country where you graduated from high school, you must give evidence to have passed such selection with the required scores.

Language requirements*

English language proficiency (for English-taught programmes)

- Upper secondary studies completed fully in English, or in one of the listed national education systems, IB Diploma included (visit our website for the up-to-date list).
- Academic IELTS (min 6.0); TOEFL (old IBT min. 84, new IBT min. 4); Cattolica's ETS institution code is 2605; Cambridge English: First, Advanced, Proficiency or Cambridge English: Business Vantage, Business Higher (Cambridge English Language Assessment min. 173); Cambridge IGCSE First Language English (Cambridge English Language Assessment D); Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second language (Cambridge English Language Assessment C).

Italian language proficiency (for Italian-taught programmes)

- Italian is the student's mother tongue, or the high school curriculum is fully taught in Italian.
- B2 (intermediate level), CILS or PLIDA, a language proficiency report by the attended language school.

SAT/ACT Tests¹

B.Sc. in Economics and Management: Applicants with high grades in Mathematics will be prioritised. High SAT / ACT scores can also increase chances of admission. Students that do not take Mathematics during their last 2 years of High School are strongly recommended to submit recent SAT / ACT test scores (minimum 560 SAT / 23 ACT in the Math sections).

All other bachelor programmes: SAT / ACT scores may have a favourable impact on the applicant's profile.

¹ There may be some variations based on the specific programme and/or the student's academic system of origin. Please check the programme webpage or contact >international.inquiry@unicatt.it to have the most up-to-date programme details and specific entry requirements and deadlines before submitting your application.

Tuition fees and scholarships

<i>Origin of Family Income</i>	<i>Tuition fees</i>	<i>Scholarship opportunities</i>
Applicants with family income produced in Italy	Variable tuition calculated based on the family income: range between €3,800 and €12,000	Applicants may apply for regular financial aid and additional scholarships provided by EDUCatt. For details, please refer to > educatt.unicatt.it
Applicants with family income produced in the E.U. and associated states (excluded Italy).	Fixed tuition of € 6,580 per annum. Important: students with annual family income € 150,000 or over will have the max tuition applied.	Applicants may apply for regular financial aid and additional scholarships provided by EDUCatt. For details, please refer to > educatt.unicatt.it
Applicants with family income produced outside of Italy, the E.U. and associated states.	Fixed tuition €8,800 per annum.	To be considered for partial scholarships (discount of € 2,900 on yearly tuition fees), simply click 'yes' in the relevant section of the online application form > international.unicatt.it

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: HOW TO APPLY

The application form for all undergraduate programmes is available online at international.unicatt.it. For a complete guide on application procedures, please visit the dedicated programme webpage: Admission and tuition – Application procedures.

1. Choose the programme
2. Create an account
3. Fill out the online application form and make sure you indicate a secondchoice programme
4. Upload the following documents:
 - Copy of your passport.
 - Official High School transcripts (accepted in English/Italian/Spanish/French). Please scan this as one file document.
 - If you have already graduated, your High School Diploma.
 - Evidence of language proficiency, where needed.
 - A cover letter.
 - Updated CV.
 - Pay the 75 Euro application fee to submit your application for evaluation.

Admission feedback: You will receive feedback regarding your admissibility within 4 to 6 weeks after the application round deadline you met when submitting your application. If admitted, the feedback will outline: the programme you have been admitted to; the tuition fee you will have to pay; the admission conditions, if any.

Accept our offer to reserve your place at Università Cattolica: please accept the offer and pay the first instalment of 1,500 Euro by the indicated deadline.
Obtain a student visa: non-EU citizens need to apply for a study visa. Upon receipt of the first instalment, Università Cattolica will invite them to start their visa application via a pre-enrolment process on the University portal: <https://www.universitaly.it/>. Further information about the visa application process is available at the programme webpage under “Post Admission.”

Bachelor degree in Economics and management (classe L-18)

Program Director: Prof.ssa Antonella La Rocca

The Bachelor degree in Economics and management is aimed at offering the students a learning experience according to the most diffused international standards. The English-taught class enables us to recruit students from different countries. A diverse and multicultural class will enrich the students' learning process. Classes are taught by teachers (professors, lecturers) with a strong academic background, most of whom record teaching and research experience in some of the world's best universities. The teaching calendar is organized in three quarters (Fall, Winter and Spring terms). The programs provide students with a solid understanding of the international economic and financial system and strong managerial skills.

The programs address two levels of knowledge. The first two years are aimed at giving a common background in the fields of economic and managerial sciences. During the first year students will be provided with a solid foundation in economic and managerial theory, law, mathematics, and economic history. In second year, the study program addresses its main topics emphasizing an international perspective. The courses lead the students to a deeper understanding of international markets, their most influential players, their rules and regulations, and their dynamics. At the beginning of the third year, students can choose between a curriculum in economics and a curriculum in management. Each curriculum is characterized by specific courses, compulsory and optional.

The bachelor program is structured to give priority to:

- The frequency active and participatory to the lectures promoting continuity of homework, tests, monitoring and feedback of the learning both individually and in groups of different size and composition;
- the use of e-learning technologies for content sharing, project work, simulations, activities of self- learning, for student support, the exchange and the deepening of the material object lessons;
- the multicultural composition of the classroom and continuous comparison between learners of different cultural backgrounds.

Career Prospects

Students graduated in Economics and Management can apply for a graduate program or enter the job market.

Candidates who want to continue their studies at a Postgraduate level may also apply for the Faculty of Economics' two-year Master Programs.

The main career opportunities are:

- professional and managerial careers, working in internationally-oriented companies, in different industries (manufacturing, services, consulting, finance, insurance, governmental institutions) and different functions (marketing and sales, operational processes, finance, HR, administration, etc.);
- research careers, with special reference to micro and macro-economic phenomena in national, international and transnational institutions;
- entrepreneurial career, owning and running a business, participating in a family business or starting a partnered venture.

Prerequisites

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the annulment of results of any examinations taken for the above-mentioned courses.

The School established the prerequisites listed on the table published on page 31.

Internship

Rules and information concerning the internship are published on page 29 of this Guide.

Final report

The *Final report* of the three year undergraduate degree consists of a 30/40 pages length written text. The final exam will be marked out 3 credits.

Students are requested to have 121 credits (excluding theology courses) before asking for the subject of the final report.

Further details regarding the final report are available on web site, item: <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/procedure-requisiti-e-scadenze-economia-triennali>

Teaching calendar

The teaching calendar is available on web site, item: <https://milano.unicatt.it/polo-studenti-e-didattica-programmi-dei-corsi-orari-delle-lezioni/MI/insegnamenti?codCdl=3D3A&anno=2026&sede=MI>. Students are requested to check the lecturer of each course, before accessing the web site.

Profile in
Economics

First year

	ECTS
- IT for economics and management	4
- Mathematics	9
- Principles of management	8
- Organization theory and design	8
- Principles of law	9
- Economic history	8
- Introductory Microeconomics	8
- First foreign language I (French)	4

Second year

	ECTS
- Comparative company law	9
- Introductory Macroeconomics	8
- Statistics	9
- Financial accounting	8
- Financial mathematics	5
- Economic policy	8
- Financial markets, credit and banking	8
- First foreign language II (French)	4
- Second foreign language (German, Spanish) or Foreign language I (Italian) (not for Italian citizens) ¹	4

Third year

	ECTS
- Applied statistics and big data	8
- Business strategy or Corporate finance	8
- Public finance	8
- <i>Two field courses among the following</i> ² : Game theory and strategy, International economics, Monetary economics, Labour economics	16

¹ Foreign students who do not have adequate knowledge of the Italian language must attend, the course “Foreign language I (Italian)”, 4 Ects (level A2/B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference), aimed at improving the knowledge of Italian language. The course is organized by Servizio Linguistico d’Ateneo [SeLdA]; for further details go to page <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-di-base>.

² More field courses could be added in the following academic years.

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| - Two elective courses (students are advised to choose among the following elective courses or the field courses not chosen above): Applied econometrics (the course is strongly recommended to strengthen the specific knowledge of this profile), Business strategy, Corporate finance, Information systems, Innovation and R&D management, Logistics and operations management, Management accounting, Management and organization in the digital economy, Marketing management, Laboratory: The R language and environment for statistical computing or Internship | 16 |
| - Final report | 3 |

Profile in
Management
First year

	ECTS
- IT for economics and management	4
- Mathematics	9
- Principles of management	8
- Organization theory and design	8
- Principles of law	9
- Economic history	8
- Introductory Microeconomics	8
- First foreign language I (French)	4

Second year

	ECTS
- Comparative company law	9
- Introductory Macroeconomics	8
- Statistics	9
- Financial accounting	8
- Financial mathematics	5
- Economic policy	8
- Financial markets, credit and banking	8
- First foreign language II (French)	4
- Second foreign language (German, Spanish) or Foreign language I (Italian) (not for Italian citizens) ¹	4

Third year

	ECTS
- Marketing management	8
- Corporate finance	8
- Management accounting	8
- Business strategy	8
- <i>One</i> field course among the following: Management and organization in the digital economy, Innovation and R&D management, Logistics and operations management	8
- <i>Two elective courses (students are advised to choose among the following elective courses if not chosen yet)²: Applied econometrics, Applied statistics and big data, Game theory and strategy, Information systems, Innovation and R&D management, International economics, Labour economics, Logistics and operations management, Management and organization in the digital economy, Monetary economics, Laboratory: The R language and environment for statistical computing or Internship</i>	16
- Final report	3

Internship

For the eight ECTS reserved for the *internship* or other *formative activities of students' choice*, students must identify their chosen option.

The curricular *internship* is a training experience in a work context, during which students encounter and engage in professional content, interpersonal relationships and organisational aspects. In terms of content, the placement in a company as a trainee represents an opportunity for professional and personal growth that allows students to complete and improve their curriculum, with the internship experienced not as an alternative, but as a complement to classroom-based learning and individual study. Through their inclusion in an organisational structure, students are sensitised to the need to respect the rules, practices and conventions of a company, including business confidentiality.

Generally, the *internship* may be deemed less useful to students who intend to enrol on a Master's degree, while it can be an interesting opportunity for those not intending to continue their education beyond the first-level degree. The applied areas within the study plans of Master's degrees include internships worth eight ECTS.

Students who opt for a curricular *internship* must submit a special application form to the Faculty secretariat in order to participate in the selections. To apply, students must have passed all the exams scheduled for the first two years of their degree programme. Since the number and characteristics of the available internships do not necessarily correspond to the number and characteristics of the internships requested by the students, internships are assigned by means of a ranking, compiled by the coordinator, based on the average marks obtained by candidates in the exams taken. Two rankings will be compiled per year: one in March and one in October.

Students also have the right to suggest a company for an internship by informing the Internship Coordinator, who can organise the checks required by the regulations.

At the end of internships, students will be assessed on the continuity and success of the experience. If deemed passed, students will then receive the allocated number of ECTS.

Detailed information on internships can be found on the webpage of the Master's degree.

Note regarding the inclusion of the Internship in the study plan: when submitting the study plan through iCatt, the student must select, in place of the item “*Internship*”, a course from the “*Student Elective Educational Activities*” section. Upon completion of the internship period, the Student Administration Office will record the credits associated with the Internship, replacing the elective course previously indicated.

Prerequisites

Bachelor degree in Economics and management and English profiles

Nota bene

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the annulment of results of any examinations taken for the above-mentioned courses.

The School of Economics has established the following prerequisites. Students are requested to pass the exam/exams listed in the second column of the table (on the right side) before taking the exam listed in the first column of the table (on the left side).

Advanced course	Preliminary course
Applied statistics and big data (ex Applied statistics)	Mathematics, Statistics
Business strategy	Principles of management
Comparative company law	Principles of law
Corporate finance	Principles of management
Financial accounting	Principles of management
Financial market, credit and banking	Principles of management
Financial mathematics	Mathematics
French II	French I
Game theory and strategy	Introductory microeconomics
Information systems	Principles of management
Economic policy	Introductory microeconomics
Introductory macroeconomics	Introductory microeconomics
International economics	Introductory microeconomics
Management accounting	Principles of management
Marketing management	Principles of management

Advanced course	Preliminary course
Mathematics	Additional Educational Obligations – Mathematics OFA (including the final OFA assessment) ¹
Monetary economics	Introductory microeconomics
Organization theory and design	Principles of management
Public finance	Introductory microeconomics
Statistics	Mathematics

¹ The following students are exempt from taking any OFAs:

- a. those who answered at least 7 questions correctly in the Mathematics section of the Verification of Initial Preparation (V.P.I.) and who therefore do not have any Additional Educational Obligations (OFA);
 - b. those who, following a transfer, were not required to sit an initial proficiency test that revealed a lack of basic knowledge able to justify the assignment of an OFA.
- Further information on the prerequisites for passing the Mathematics exam is available on the Faculty website and on the General Mathematics course page on the Blackboard platform.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE MASTER'S DEGREE WITH THE RELATIVE SUBJECT SECTOR CODE

The *subject sectors* were created in response to the need for clarification and simplification, leading to (with numerous legislative interventions) the grouping of all the subjects taught in Italian universities into sectors and the attribution of a code and title to each. The titles derive from the most representative subject in the sector (e.g. *Italian Literature, History of Law*), with all other similar subjects and courses grouped under the same category.

With Ministerial Decree 639 of 2 May 2024, scientific disciplines were reclassified and grouped into macro-areas of reference. The new groupings also led to the identification of new acronyms.

The list below associates the courses with the new scientific disciplinary sectors identified by Ministerial Decree 639, which will apply to students enrolled from the 2026/2027 academic year onwards. Students enrolled before that academic year should refer to the previous regulations and to the Faculty Guides for their academic year of enrolment.

For more information on the correspondence between the sectors indicated in the current regulations and those provided for in the previous regulations, please consult the text of Ministerial Decree 639 with its annexes at the following link: <https://www.mur.gov.it/it/atti-e-normativa/decreto-ministeriale-n-639-del-02-05-2024>

The knowledge of the subject sector which the programmes relate to can be useful to students who wish to check whether credits from one particular programme will be valid in another, for example.

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Applied econometrics	ECON-05/A
Applied statistics and big data	STAT-01/A
Business strategy	ECON-06/A
Comparative company law	GIUR-02/A e GIUR-03/A
Corporate finance	ECON-09/A
Economic history	STEC-01/B
Economic policy	ECON-02/A
Financial accounting	ECON-06/A
Financial markets, credit and banking	ECON-09/B

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Financial mathematics	STAT-04/A
French language	FRAN-01/B
Game theory and strategy	ECON-01/A
German language	GERM-01/C
Information systems	ECON-08/A
Innovation and R&D management	ECON-07/A
International economics	ECON-01/A
Introductory Microeconomics	ECON-01/A
Introductory Macroeconomics	ECON-01/A
IT for economics and management	INFO-01/A
Italian language	LIFI-01/A
Labour economics	ECON-01/A
Logistics and operations management	ECON-07/A
Management accounting	ECON-06/A
Management and organization in the digital economy	ECON-07/A
Marketing management	ECON-07/A
Mathematics	STAT-04/A
Monetary economics	ECON-01/A
Organization theory and design	ECON-08/A
Principles of management	ECON-06/A
Principles of law	GIUR-01/A e GIUR-02/A
Public finance	ECON-03/A
Spanish language	SPAN-01/C
Statistics	STAT-01/A
The R language and environment for statistical computing	STAT-01/A

FORMATIVE OFFERING AFTER GRADUATION MASTER'S DEGREES

In the academic year 2026/2027, the Faculty expands its educational offering with Master's degrees aimed at allowing students to achieve full professional competence in the many specialist areas of its competence.

In the academic year 2026/2027, the following Master's degrees are launched, pertaining to the degree classes indicated below:

MILAN CAMPUS

Class LM-56 Economic Sciences:

- **Economics**

Class LM-76 Economic Sciences for Environment and Culture:

- **Management of art, culture, and creativity** (interfaculty degree with the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy)

Class LM-77 Economic and Business Sciences:

- **Economics and Business Legislation**
- **Management** (delivered entirely in English)
- **Management for Business**
- **Markets and Business Strategies**
- **Innovation and Technology Management** (delivered entirely in English) (interfaculty degree with the Faculty of Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences)

Class LM-82 Statistical Sciences:

- **Data Analytics for Business** (in English) (interfaculty degree provided by the Faculties of Economics and Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences)

Classes LM-19 Information and Publishing Systems, LM-59 Sciences of Public Communication, Business and Advertising

- **Communication for Business, Media and Complex Organisations** (interfaculty degree with the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy)

ROME CAMPUS

Class LM-77 Economic and Business Sciences:

- **Management, organizations and markets**
- **Healthcare management** (interfaculty degree with the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery) (entirely taught in English)

MILAN AND ROME CAMPUS

Class LM-77 Economic and Business Sciences:

- **Business Administration and Consultancy**

Admission onto Master's degrees

The curricular requirements and qualifications needed to access a Master's degree programme are defined by the Admission Regulations, available online on the pages of each programme; students can verify that they have the necessary curricular requirements for enrolment by accessing the Programme Enrolment Portal and entering the required data.

Enrolment/pre-registration for Master's degree programmes takes place from June, as per the deadlines defined in the Admission Regulations.

Final examination

For the final examination, students must present a dissertation developed in an original way under the guidance of a supervisor on topics related to the subjects on the Master's degree programme.

The final mark is out of 110, with possible *lode (honours)*, and reflects the student's overall curriculum.

More details on preparing the final dissertation can be found on the webpage <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/procedure-requisiti-e-scadenze-economia-lm>

Theology courses: the study plans of the two-year Master's degree programme includes a semester-long course, lasting 30 hours in the form of seminars or single-subject sessions on a range of topics defined by the Board of Theology Lecturers (see also "*Theology Courses*" on page 88 of this Guide).

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATES WITH A NON-ITALIAN QUALIFICATION

Entry requirements¹

Graduate requirements

- Students must hold an undergraduate degree, obtained after a minimum of 3 years of study (180 ECTS) and in a subject which is relevant to the chosen degree programme. Students with less than 15 years of total schooling may not be eligible for admission to a graduate programme.
- The degree must be issued by a higher education institution which is accredited or recognised in the awarding country. Cattolica will evaluate the academic background and decide if candidates meet the specific conditions for admission to the chosen programme. If the studies were offered at an institution in a third country, the host institution must be accredited or recognised in the country where it operates.
- Students must obtain the undergraduate degree by the end of July 2026 (September for EU students)

Language requirements¹

English language proficiency

(Only applicable to degree programmes taught in English). For applicants whose first language is not English, they will need to either:

- Have successfully completed a degree programme taught in the English language or
 - Have a TOEFL iBT overall score min. 84 (or min. 4 in the new scoring system) or an Academic IELTS overall score min. 6.0 (other language certificates may be accepted; full list and programme-specific minimum scores are available online at > international.unicatt.it)
- Cattolica's TOEFL institution code is 2605.

¹ There may be some variations based on specific programmes and/or students' academic system of origin. Check the programme specific webpage or contact us for updates.

Italian language proficiency

(Only applicable to degree programmes taught in Italian).

Non-native Italian speakers, or candidates that have not carried out their previous schooling in Italian, should have a minimum knowledge of Italian, which is a B2 in the European framework of measurement of language proficiency, corresponding to about 120 hours of language instruction.

Submitting proof of Italian proficiency together with the application is encouraged. However, if no evidence is submitted, an Italian Language Test will be administered before the beginning of the Academic Year. Candidates who do not meet the minimum proficiency level will be required to take an Italian language course before the beginning of the first semester.

Deadlines

1st assessment round application deadline: January 21, 2026

2nd assessment round application deadline: February 25, 2026

3rd assessment round application deadline: March 25, 2026

4th assessment round application deadline May 6, 2026

5th Round (only available for EU citizens or non-EU citizens with valid EU residence): June 24, 2026

All programmes have only one intake per year: Fall 2026

Due to the restrictive and lengthy nature of the student pre-registration process required by the Italian diplomatic representations, we strongly advise non-EU students to apply by the priority deadline 3 (March 25, 2026).

Tuition fees & scholarships

Tuition fees do not depend on the students' citizenship but on where their income or that of their family's is produced. The yearly tuition fee is divided into five different instalments: the first instalment of €1,500 will be considered as a deposit to confirm a place in the programme.

<i>Origin of Family Income</i>	<i>Tuition fees</i>	<i>Scholarship opportunities</i>
Applicants with family income produced in Italy	Variable tuition calculated based on the family income: range between €3,800 and €12,000	Applicants may apply for regular financial aid and additional scholarships provided by EDUCatt. For details, please refer to >educatt.unicatt.it
Applicants with family income produced in the E.U. and associated states (excluded Italy).	Fixed tuition of €6,850 per annum. Important: students with annual family income of €150,000 or over will have the max tuition applied.	Applicants may apply for regular financial aid and additional scholarships provided by EDUCatt. For details, please refer to >educatt.unicatt.it
Applicants with family income produced outside of Italy, the E.U. and associated states.	Fixed tuition €9,370 per annum.	The partial merit-based scholarship awarded by Cattolica reduces the yearly tuition fee to €6,400. To apply for the scholarship, simply click 'yes' in the relevant section of the online application form >international.unicatt.it

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: HOW TO APPLY

1. Choose the programme
2. Create an account
3. Fill out the online application form and make sure you indicate a second-choice programme
4. Upload the following documents:
 - Copy of your passport.
 - Copy of the High School Diploma.
 - Official bachelor transcripts (accepted in English/Italian/Spanish/French). Please scan this as one file document. If you have already graduated with a bachelor's degree, evidence of language proficiency, where needed.
 - A motivation letter.
 - A cover letter.
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 - Pay the 75 Euro application fee to start the evaluation procedure.

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Management (classe LM-77)

Program Director: Prof. Benedetto Lorenzo Cannatelli

Degree aims

The Master of science in Management is a two-year General Management programme designed for students who strive for playing an active managerial role in a range of internationally networked markets and multicultural contexts. The programme provides a challenging education in the key functional areas of management and business administration, with a specific emphasis on the international and multicultural issues, a deep understanding of the business world, and a pervasive orientation to responsibility for the ethical issues related to professional practice and global sustainability.

A major strength of the program is the combination of strong analytical foundation and real-world applications by means of an extensive use of active teaching methods, including group project works, case studies, role-plays, and simulations. A close interaction with a group of selected companies offers an actionable learning experience that facilitates the development of a deep understanding of the business world and critical decision making. Students are encouraged to build up their international profile by taking full advantage of a range of international opportunities.

Entirely taught in English, the Master of science in Management provides national and international students with a unique learning experience, within a diverse and multicultural environment which facilitates a personal development journey including individual and team-based issues. The teaching calendar is organized in three quarters (Fall, Winter and Spring terms).

Applicants who are non-native speakers of English must provide evidence of English language proficiency. For any further information refer to the graduate program website. Attendance is strongly recommended.

Admission rules: entry requirements are yearly established by the School¹.

¹ Further information regarding the Admission procedures are available at <https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/management-milano-admissions-and-enrolment#sep>

Business Labs

Four business labs (consulting companies, fashion and luxury, healthcare organizations, multinational enterprises) offer a unique learning experience with a strict connection with the world of practice.

Each “business lab” is based on an educational formula developed in strict connection with a specific set of corporate partners which will work with students side by side throughout a variety of field activities including: company visits; commissioned group assignments, requiring desk analysis and research tasks to facilitate problem solving in different business areas; internships; consulting field projects requiring to develop viable solutions to real-life business problems under the guidance of a professor with business experience.

International experience

A variety of opportunities offer students the opportunity to develop their international outlook and expand their horizons during the programme, getting in touch with different ways of living, thinking, studying, and working. Among the others, two double degrees are offered in partnership with Boston University (degree awarded: Master of Science in Global Marketing Management) and the University of Western Australia (degree awarded: Master of Commerce). COIL projects offer a collaborative virtual teaching and learning paradigm with international partner universities, thereby facilitating a cross-cultural dialogue. Full immersion trips, which consist of a one-week capstone module focused on a current business challenge and delivered by a top partner university, offer students the opportunity to take part in collaborative projects, gain hands-on experience, tour local businesses, network, and develop cross-cultural learning experiences through tailor-made lectures from invited business leaders and scholars.

Career prospects

The Master of science in Management opens up a wide range of career opportunities in the international labour market to people who want to play an active role in global and local companies operating in different sectors. Graduates have a flexible and multidisciplinary profile to pursue managerial, consultant, professional, and entrepreneurial careers in complex organizational environments where international and multicultural issues stand out. In particular, the Master of science in Management offers career opportunities in large consultancy, multinational, luxury, and healthcare organizations, as well as in small and medium enterprises.

Teaching calendar

The teaching calendar is organized in three terms (Fall, Winter and Spring terms).

CURRICULUM

First year

	ECTS
- Mathematics for management	8
- Transnational business law	8
- Managerial economics	8
- Business analytics	8
- <i>Four</i> advanced business courses among: Corporate strategy, Corporate finance (derivatives and corporate financing), Customer-based marketing strategy, Financial accounting and analysis (main issues in application of IFRS), HR management, Management control systems, Supply chain management	32

Second year

	ECTS
- <i>One</i> elective course among: Political economy of the European Union, Labour economics (Theory and Methods)], International economics (Advanced international trade and macroeconomics), Industrial organization, The economics of digital transformation	8
- <i>Two</i> elective courses among: Marketing communication, Change management, International corporate finance, Management information systems, Project management, Performance measurement, Work and organizational psychology, Brand management, Business sustainability, Cross cultural management, Entrepreneurship, International business management, Public management	16

- Business Lab: introductory course	4
- Field project or Internship	8
- <i>One</i> course among the advanced and elective courses ¹	8
- Thesis	12

Double Degree

For students enrolled in the Graduate Programme in Management, two Double Degree programmes have been activated with Boston University (USA) and the University of Western Australia (AUS).

The programme with **Boston University** includes the possibility of obtaining two degrees at the end of the programme:

- Graduate degree in Management, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore.
- **Master of Science in Global Marketing Management, Boston University.**

This two-year programme includes a combination of online courses and on-campus classes during the summer in Boston.

For further information, see the dedicated page on Cattolica International (<https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/economia-milano-boston-university>).

The programme with the **University of Western Australia** includes the possibility of obtaining two degrees at the end of the programme:

- Graduate degree in Management, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore.
- **Master of Commerce, The University of Western Australia.**

This two-year programme covers:

- Terms 1, 5 and 6 at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore.
- Terms 2, 3 and 4 (February - June and July - November) at The University of Western Australia.

¹ Among the elective courses, students can also choose:

- *Full immersive trip – Montana USA*, 8 ects: a summer experience aimed at exploring the beer supply chain. For entering the programme, go to page <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/destinazioni-full-immersion-trip-montana>

Foreign students (not Italian citizens) who do not have adequate knowledge of the Italian language must attend, as a supernumerary exam, the course “Foreign language I (Italian)”, 4 ects (level A2/B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference), aimed at improving the knowledge of Italian language. The course is organized by Servizio Linguistico d’Ateneo [SeLdA]; for further details go to page <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-di-base>

Innovation and Technology Management (classe LM-77)

Program Director: Prof.ssa Valeria Belvedere

The Master of Science in Innovation and Technology Management is a two-year program designed for students who want to develop multidisciplinary skills suited to the new business contexts generated by the innovations connected to Industry 4.0 paradigm and the digital transformation.

There is a revolution that invests both providers and users of technologies and infrastructures. The program wants to create flexible professional profiles capable of understanding the potential of product and process technologies and generating new market spaces and new business opportunities.

The Master Program is entirely taught in English. It combines sound methodological and analytical skills with applications and business practices.

Applicants who are non-native English speakers must provide evidence of English language proficiency. For any further information refer to the graduate program website. Attendance is strongly recommended.

The **specific learning objectives** of the Innovation and Technology Management course are as follows:

- The ability to understand macro-economic scenarios and technological developments with a significant impact on the organisation and management of businesses. Today, information technologies and solutions such as the Internet of things, cloud computing, big data, artificial intelligence, augmented reality and robotics make it possible to imagine new organisational solutions for company processes, as well as new products and business models characterised by the dematerialisation and digitalisation of client services. The programme offers the fundamental economic and technological understanding to frame and analyse business contexts in which companies operate and the potential applications of new technologies.
- Knowledge of legal matters. In the scenarios described above, graduates from the “Innovation and Technology Management” programme will need to be equipped with the legal knowledge required for addressing a series of significant implications from a legal perspective, such as privacy, licences as tools for protecting innovation, and intellectual property rights in general. For this reason, the programme includes

courses designed to address the legal implications of technology adoption programmes, in terms of both civil and criminal law.

- The ability to analyse innovation projects from both the economic and financial perspectives. To this end, the programme provides students with knowledge of the performance-measurement and capital-budgeting tools required to evaluate projects on an economic and financial level.
- Knowledge of business models. Today, new technologies allow us to operate in markets in innovative ways. For this reason, the programme is designed to make students familiar with features of today's most promising business models, and to provide them with the necessary tools, not only for adopting these models in medium-large businesses with pre-established structures, but also for launching new business initiatives in the form of start-ups.
- The ability to recognise the potential for innovation in products and processes, and to plan and carry out implementation projects, evaluating them on an ex-post basis. The programme provides students with an understanding of market and customer-needs analysis. Students will also learn about companies' internal processes, as well as innovative organisational tools and solutions based on the use of new technologies.
- Relational skills. The programme is designed to provide students with the relevant relational skills for operating in business contexts that, by their nature, will be multidisciplinary and highly international. To encourage the development of these skills, the programme also offers courses in social and liberal arts disciplines, so that students can develop the capacity for empathy, and a flexible, open-minded way of thinking required to effectively operate in the contexts outlined above. The programme also involves the study of topics related to interculturality.

All courses will involve a final assessment. This may also be the case for other additional educational activities potentially subject to pass/fail assessment.

To achieve the master's degree, students must acquire at least 120 ECTS.

Every exam will account for a certain number of credits, equal for all students, and a grade (out of 30), which will depend on the students' level of knowledge gained through each course.

Passing any examinations included as additional (extra-credit) courses is a *mandatory requirement* for obtaining the degree.

Admission onto the master's degree courses

The curricular requirements and qualifications needed to access the master's programmes are defined by the Admission regulations available online on the individual programme pages (<https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/magistrale/innovation-and-technology-management-milano/how-to-apply.html>); students can check online whether they have the necessary curriculum requirements to enrol by accessing the course enrolment portal and filling in the data requested.

Registration/pre-enrolment on the master's courses takes place from June onwards, with deadlines as per the admission regulations.

Teaching calendar

The teaching calendar is organized in three terms (Fall, Winter and Spring terms)

Theology courses: the study plan of the two-year master's degree will be supplemented with a 30-hour semester-long course, made up of seminars and/or single-subject lectures, the topics of which will depend on decisions made by the Theology teaching board (see also the chapter "*Theology Courses*" on page 88 of this Guide).

STUDY PLAN

First year

	ECTS/CFU
- It coding and applications	8
- <i>One</i> elective course among: Global challenges and firm strategies, Economics of innovation	8
- <i>Two</i> elective courses between: Omnichannel management, Organizing and leading change, Management control systems and performance measurement, Project and people management, Circular economy and sustainability	16
- Materials physics and technologies (8 Ects) + Technologies in Action Lab (4 Ects)	8+4
- Intellectual property and labour law	8
- <i>One</i> elective course among: History of innovation, Privacy and security, Cross-cultural negotiation, Internet technologies and smart working	8

Second year

	ECTS/CFU
- Applied statistics for business analytics	8
- <i>One</i> elective course between: Strategic supply chain management <i>or</i> Design thinking and start-up launch	8
- <i>One</i> elective course between: Finance and risk management <i>or</i> Project financing and open innovation	8
- <i>One</i> elective course between: Strategies for emerging technologies <i>or</i> Marketing innovation	8
- <i>One</i> elective course ¹	8
- Internship ²	8
- Thesis	12

¹ Elective courses list

One exam among the following (if not already chosen):

- History of innovation (8 Ects)
- Internet technologies and smart working (8 Ects)
- Cross-cultural negotiation (8 Ects)
- Privacy and security (8 Ects)
- Global challenges and firm strategies (8 Ects)
- Economics of innovation (8 Ects)
- Omnichannel management (8 Ects)
- Organizing and leading change (8 Ects)
- Management control systems and performance measurement (8 Ects)
- Project and people management (8 Ects)
- Circular economy and sustainability (8 Ects)
- Causal methods for policy evaluation (4 Ects)
- Experimental design (4 Ects)
- Statistical and computational methods for network data (4 Ects)
- Modeling and computing for data science (4 Ects) (not available for a.y. 2026/2027)

Students can also choose one exam among those provided in the second year (if not already chosen).

Among the elective courses, students can also choose Full immersive trip – Montana USA, 8 Ects: a summer experience aimed at exploring the beer supply chain. For entering the programme, go to page <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/destinazioni-full-immersion-trip-montana>

² The internship can be replaced with an elective course.

In addition, among the elective courses, foreign students (not Italian citizens) who do not have adequate knowledge of the Italian language must attend the course “Foreign language I (Italian)”, 4 Ects (level A2/B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference), aimed at improving the knowledge of Italian language. The course is organized by Servizio Linguistico d’Ateneo [SeLdA]; for further details go to page <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-di-base>

Final exam/Thesis

For the final exam students must develop an original thesis written under the guidance of a supervisor.

Double Degree

For students enrolled in the Graduate Programme in Innovation and Technology Management, a Double Degree programme has been activated with IESEG School of Management (France).

The programme with IESEG School of Management

The programme offers students enrolled in the first year of their Master’s Degree in Innovation and Technology Management at Università Cattolica the possibility of obtaining a Double Degree:

Master of Science in Innovation and Technology Management, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Master in Management: Programme Grande École, IESEG School of Management

For further information, see the dedicate page on Cattolica international <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/economia-milano-ieseg-school-of-management>.

Career Prospects

The Master of Science in Innovation and Technology Management is aimed at offering many career opportunities, as managers in large enterprises and SMEs, supporting business change processes and developing product and market analysis or innovation processes, and as start-uppers and partners of new venture creation. The aim of the program is that of generating professional skills necessary to work in innovative ways, with relational and communicative effectiveness to face the new business contexts generated by the digital economy.

Therefore, graduates from the ITEM master's programme are prepared to enter careers in fields focused on innovation in: large companies in the manufacturing or services sectors; small and medium-sized enterprises; consultancy firms; international organisations; agencies offering technology transfer and support for new innovative businesses; science and technology parks; business incubators and accelerators; and in universities and other research institutions. The ITEM master's degree not only provides employment opportunities in sectors where innovation is central to strategic action (science-based start-ups, large ICT firms, specialists in/producers of digital technologies, energy sector businesses and organisations) but also in more traditional sectors where innovation is linked to the adoption and contextualisation of new technologies, such as: textiles and clothing, furniture, agri-food, banking, insurance, health and public administration, and all traditional manufacturing sectors in general.

Potential professional roles include:

Business and Market Analyst

Graduates from the programme have an integrated and in-depth understanding of the innovation and transformation processes made possible by new technologies; they have the ability to analyse and evaluate the sustainability of new business models in pre-existing fields and organisational processes; they can create new business activities and initiatives thanks to their in-depth knowledge of the technological potential, risks, costs and benefits of product and process innovation, and of sectors, markets and clients analysis. They can identify a potential market for a product/service in a global context, and make predictions on future trends in the demand for products and services. They analyse the implications in terms of business development, technological trajectories, intellectual property and open innovation.

Product Innovation Manager

Graduates from the programme are equipped for roles in the creative and innovative management of processes, ranging from the design to the launch of new products and services in areas such as: creative thinking, product design and product development, open and collaborative innovation and strategic management of intellectual property. Graduates from the programme are therefore able to integrate the capacity to direct and plan the work of Research and Development specialists in a way that corresponds with

the resources available or the innovative projects in question, with an awareness of cutting-edge developments and the analysis of market conditions and competition.

Entrepreneur

Graduates from the programme are endowed with the necessary skills and knowledge to act as creators of new businesses and to become entrepreneurs, taking advantage of the opportunities generated by new digital technologies. They will therefore be capable of managing the launch and market development of a start-up, leveraging the wide array of potential relationships in the relevant business ecosystem.

Data analytics for business (class LM-82)

Programme Coordinator: Prof.ssa Lucia Paci

The Master of Science in Data analytics for business is a two-year program designed for students who have a strong interest in data analysis. The Master program provides students with a solid understanding of Statistics and Computer science, along with domain-specific knowledge in Business.

This program is entirely taught in English and aims at:

1. providing students with advanced knowledge of Statistics and Machine learning that enables building effective models for data analysis, inference and prediction and supporting the decision-making process;
2. providing advanced skills in data management and computer programming for building algorithms suited to implement and deploy statistical methods and data analysis tools in practice;
3. combining quantitative skills with business and corporate knowledge to address business challenges, identify new business opportunities and support the management with data-driven strategies;
4. empowering students with data visualization tools, teamwork abilities, communication skills for an effective presentation and discussion of project results;
5. completing the training with real case studies and elements of tech law related to digital technology.

Admission to the master's degree courses

The curricular requirements and qualifications needed to access the master's programmes are defined by the Admission regulations available online on the individual programme pages (<https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/magistrale/data-analytics-for-business-milano/admissions-and-enrolment.html>); students can check online whether they have the necessary curriculum requirements to enrol by accessing the course enrolment portal and filling in the data requested.

Registration/pre-enrolment on the master's courses takes place from June onwards, with deadlines as per the admission regulations.

Teaching calendar

The teaching calendar is organized in three quarters (Fall, Winter and Spring terms)

Theology courses: the study plan of the two-year master's degree will be supplemented with a 30-hour semester-long course, made up of seminars and/or single-subject lectures, the topics of which will depend on decisions made by the Theology teaching board (see also the chapter "*Theology Courses*" on page 88 of this Guide).

STUDY PLAN

First year

	ECTS/CFU
- Mathematical methods	8
- Statistical inference	8
- Computer programming and database systems	8
- Applied linear models	8
- Computational statistics	8
- Time series and spatial data analysis	8
- <i>One</i> elective course between ¹ : Stochastic processes and optimization for data science; New venture development and data driven strategy	8

Second year

	ECTS/CFU
- Strategic management and tech law	8
- Statistical learning	8
- Algorithms and deep learning	8
- <i>One</i> elective course among ¹ : Bayesian modelling, Applied finance	8

¹ The study plan exhibits some degree of flexibility. For instance two broad study tracks are: i) data science methods and ii) applied business analytics. For track i) the recommended choices are: stochastic processes and optimization for data science, bayesian modelling, empirical economics or artificial intelligence. For track ii) the recommended choices are: new venture development and data-driven strategy, applied finance, marketing analytics or artificial intelligence.

- One elective course among ¹ : Empirical economics, Marketing analytics, Artificial intelligence	8
- Elective courses ²	8
- Thesis	16

Final exam/Thesis

For the final exam students must present an original thesis written under the guidance of a supervisor.

Passing any examinations included as additional (extra-credit) courses is a *mandatory requirement* for obtaining the degree.

Career Prospects

The Master of Science in Data analytics for business opens up several career opportunities. Graduates will master methods and tools to become **Data scientist** and **Data analyst** within data-driven companies across a variety of industries, such as manufacturing, services, finance, insurance, and consulting. Suitable graduates may also pursue **research-oriented** careers enrolling in PhD programs in Statistics, Data Science or related areas, leading to jobs in academia as well as research centers.

² Elective courses list

One exam among the following (if not already chosen):

Internship/ Research assistantship/Field project (8 Ects)

Causal methods for policy evaluation (4 Ects)

Experimental design (4 Ects)

Foreign language (Italian) (4 Ects) (not for Italian citizens)

Modeling and computing for data science (4 Ects) (not available for a.y. 2026/2027)

Statistical and computational methods for network data (4 Ects)

Economics (class LM-56)

Programme Coordinator: Prof. Maria Luisa Mancusi

The Master's in Economics, which belongs to the LM-56 Economic Sciences class, offers graduates in fields related or complementary to general economics an opportunity to enhance and acquire skills related to the operative mechanisms of economic systems.

Aims

The specific formative objectives of the Master's in Economics include the following competences, knowledge and skills:

- in-depth knowledge of the interdependences between commodity and financial markets of increasingly globalised modern economic systems;
- enhanced knowledge of how state intervention in modern market economies is organised;
- ability to link the reality of economic problems with their social dimension;
- ability to understand the dynamics and determinants of the evolution of growth in modern industrial and post-industrial economies.

The Master's in Economics aims to provide students with solid preparation meeting the highest European and international standards, mainly through building on the knowledge acquired on undergraduate degrees in the Economic Sciences class. This formative objective is pursued through a coordinated set of approaches, including:

1. exploring the core of economic theory and quantitative analysis techniques;
2. developing competences and interpretative skills in fields of investigation that demonstrate the potential applications of the acquired tools;
3. a focus on the historical and institutional dimension of economic systems;
4. developing the capacity to apply quantitative methodologies and techniques to solving economic-social problems.

The duration of the Master's degree is two years after the end of the three-year degree.

Each exam is worth a certain number of ECTS (usually 8 ECTS) - the same for all students - and is marked out of 30 reflecting their level of preparation.

In order to obtain a Master's degree, students require at least 120 university ECTS.

Courses conclude with an assessment for which students will receive a mark out of 30. This may also apply to other forms of supplementary education which may also be subject to assessment.

To verify learning and skills, students will be subject to individual written and oral assessments, and assessment of supplementary group and individual work, and be required to present in-depth studies.

Learning assessment is structured in such a way as to evaluate the critical interpretation of the contents of individual courses, with particular regard to similar problems, typically taken from the real world. For the purposes of assessment, students may also be required to perform applied economic, strategic and market analyses and design restructuring plans, or in any case plans for particularly complex operations (also of a financial nature) related to systems, institutions and companies, and to discuss these with representatives of the same, both Italian and foreign.

Admission to the master's degree courses

The curricular requirements and qualifications needed to access the master's programmes are defined by the Admission regulations available online on the individual programme pages (<https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/magistrale/economics-milano/admissions-and-enrolment.html>); students can check online whether they have the necessary curriculum requirements to enrol by accessing the course enrolment portal and filling in the data requested.

Registration/pre-enrolment on the master's courses takes place from June onwards, with deadlines as per the admission regulations.

After graduation

The professional profile of graduates from the Master's in Economics allows them to work within companies, organisations and centres for the study and analysis of economic systems, both nationally and internationally. Moreover, they are in a position to continue and perfect their studies at doctoral level, to undertake an academic career also on an international level.

In particular, graduates may perform a variety of professional roles related to a range of employment opportunities.

Professional roles:

operational tasks in banking and financial institutions;

consultancy activities in the economic, socio-demographic, economic-financial and industrial fields;

managing relations with public administrations, regulatory authorities and international institutions;

tasks related to research activities in the economic and social field.

Employment opportunities:

International organisations, banking and financial institutions, consulting firms, private companies, public and private research institutes, innovative segments of public administration, regulatory authorities, non-profit organisations, economic press and universities.

Career Prospects

The programme provides adequate knowledge and research skills for those who wish to work in research positions in national and international businesses, as well as in private, public national and international institutions (e.g. ECB, World Bank, Bank of Italy, IMF, OECD, Global investment banks, Consulting companies, Think tanks, etc...) or to pursue a PhD in economics at top Italian and international universities.

Teaching calendar

Students can look up their lecture times and classrooms on the Faculty's webpage under <https://milano.unicatt.it/polo-studenti-e-didattica-programmi-dei-corsi-orari-delle-lezioni>

STUDY PLANS

The study plan provides for the acquisition of at least:

40 ECTS	in the field of economics
16 ECTS	in the field of business
8 ECTS	in quantitative disciplines
8 ECTS	in the field of law

As part of the optional training activities, the Faculty has identified course combinations that allow for the acquisition of knowledge related to the following competence profiles: ***Economics (delivered entirely in English), Finance and International Markets, Economics and Public Sector Policies, Enterprise, Work and Innovation.***

Economics

The curriculum is entirely taught in English and represents the University's flagship course in Economics. The programme is equivalent to a two-year *Master of Science in Economics*. It provides students with a solid training in Economics emphasizing rigorous analytical thinking and advanced quantitative methods. Faculty members are internationally recognized economists. Our aim is to train economists suited both for academic and non-academic careers.

During the first year, students will study the foundations of economics and quantitative analysis, whereas the second year is devoted to field courses that will expose them to recent developments at the frontier of economic research in a variety of topics. At the end of the second year students will work on their final dissertation.

Besides taught courses, the curriculum also offers an internship programme with either economic research institutions (mostly located in the Milan area) or within the University's Department of Economics and Finance, where student are offered the opportunity of working as applied economists on real world economic issues, as well as meeting prospective employers.

The skills acquired through the Economics programme prepare students to pursue their careers both in academia through further education at the PhD level as well as in the labour market as applied economists in firms, banks and institutions.

The programme has performed very well in terms of placement in the labour market (World Bank, Bank of Italy, Eurizone, Deloitte, Oxford Policy Management, Intesa San Paolo, Chatham House) and in the academia (some of our student are completing or have completed their PhDs at Universitat

Pompeu Fabra Barcelona, University of Nottingham, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Boston College, University of Southern California, DIW Berlin and at Cattolica itself, and include winners of prestigious scholarships granted by the Bank of Italy).

First year

	ECTS
- Microeconomics	8
- Macroeconomics	8
- Mathematics for economic analysis	8
- Empirical economics	8
- Statistical modelling	8
- Two Business courses (GDA) among the following: Public management, Supply chain management, Performance measurement, Business sustainability, Marketing communication, Corporate strategy, Entrepreneurship, Finance and risk management	16
- One Law course among the following: Transnational business law, Principles of financial regulation	8

Second year

	ECTS
- Three Economics (GDE) courses among the following: Monetary economics and asset pricing, International economics (Advanced international trade and macroeconomics), Political and public economics, Industrial organization, Labour economics (Theory and Methods), Political economy of the European Union, Policy evaluation	24
- One of the following ¹ (student's choice subject to approval) a course in Economics (GDE) or Internship programme or a course among: Business analytics, Corporate finance (derivatives and corporate financing), International corporate finance, Project management, Quantitative methods for finance or a course in Business (GDA) or a course in Law (GDG)	8
- Final Dissertation	24

¹ Besides the lists reported above, students can propose an elective course among any of the other courses taught in English. The submitted proposal must be in line with the aim of the program and must be approved by the program coordinator.

Foreign students (not Italian citizens) who do not have adequate knowledge of the Italian language must attend, as a supernumerary exam, the course “Foreign language I (Italian)”, 4 ects (level A2/B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference), aimed at improving the knowledge of Italian language. The course is organized by Servizio Linguistico d’Ateneo [SeLdA]; for further details go to page <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-di-base>

Further details about the program and its curriculum can be found at the graduate program web page: <https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/economics-milano>

Management of art, culture and creativity (class LM-76)

Programme Coordinators: Prof. Paola Fandella; Prof. Chiara Paolino for the profile in *Methods and topics in arts management*

The Master's in the Economics and Management of Art, Culture and Entertainment has the following specific formative objectives:

- acquisition of specialist competences in the field of business management and with particular reference to companies operating in the cultural and entertainment sector;
- acquisition of specialist competences in the field of economic science methodologies, from the perspective of economic, environmental and social sustainability, towards the analysis of territorial systems and the design of plans and programmes in the field of regional economic development, with particular reference to the culture and entertainment sectors;
- familiarity with the legal systems of European countries with reference to the fields of culture and entertainment;
- ability to propose management and institutional innovations aimed at achieving greater economic efficiency and economic and social effectiveness for institutions and companies in the cultural heritage and cultural activities sector;
- ability to propose innovations to the Italian legal system, particularly in the field of culture and entertainment;
- acquisition of knowledge, competences and methodologies for analysing and designing activities and services related to protecting, enhancing and promoting cultural heritage and entertainment activities, also through technology and new tools resulting from digital innovation;
- development of skills for analysis and participation in decision-making processes concerning the governance of institutions and companies operating in the field of cultural heritage and activities;
- development of the ability to reconcile economic culture with artistic and humanistic culture, and the culture of public institutions with that of businesses;
- ability to acquire, analyse, interpret and use qualitative and quantitative information and data for analysing the market and activities of companies operating in the cultural heritage and cultural activities sector;
- specialist competences in the financial management and fund-raising activities of companies in the cultural heritage and entertainment sector;

- oral and written fluency in English and a second foreign language of the European Union, in addition to Italian, with mastery of the specific vocabulary of economics, law, art and culture.

The Economics and Management of Art, Culture and Entertainment Master's programme aims to provide students with advanced education in management for companies and institutions operating in the cultural and entertainment sector, both nationally and internationally. Combining specific knowledge of the cultural and performing arts sector with more general competences related to management, organisation and business surveying, as well as to the regulatory aspects of the sector, the programme aims to shape graduates capable of performing recognized professional management roles aimed at implementing the development needs of the cultural system intended in all its manifestations and differentiations.

Specifically dedicated to the theme of managing the visual and performing arts, we have also launched an English-language profile called "Methods and Topics in Arts Management" (MaTAM).

The programme aims are achieved through various training activities divided into specific macro-areas of knowledge, which also include courses that integrate the economic-business dimension with the more humanistic one, i.e. courses delivered by lecturers from the Faculty of Economics are integrated with some supplementary courses co-delivered with lecturers from the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy. The presence of lecturers from different backgrounds, many of whom come directly from the professional world of cultural and entertainment companies, is one of the stand-out features of this Master's degree programme.

Theoretical and applied training - of a decidedly managerial nature - is carried out within a wider theoretical framework that also includes many cultural philosophical aspects, whilst maintaining a robust approach geared towards resolving real, relevant and current problems typical of the sector.

Moreover, as part of the Economics and Management of Art, Culture and Entertainment Master's programme, after completing a common pathway, students can choose to focus on one of the following specific areas of knowledge (and professional employment):

- knowledge and competences related to the management of museums and exhibition spaces;
- knowledge and competences related to the management of companies and entertainment events.

The proposed pathway is delivered through a combination of frontal lectures and tutorials. To this end, extensive use is made of interactive teaching methods: exercises, workshops, seminars, case studies, analysis of current issues, meetings with entrepreneurs, managers and consultants in the sector (including from outside Italy); integrative courses, simulations, company check-ups and other forms of teaching aimed at developing the students' skills for individual analysis and critical synthesis.

Lectures will conclude with an assessment. This may also apply to other forms of supplementary education, which may also be subject to assessment. The teaching pathway involves the constant use of online platforms, where students can find additional teaching material and all additional references for further exploring content and preparing for the exams.

Finally, students have the opportunity to participate in internships in selected companies in the sector, both in Italy and abroad: this is to acquire direct knowledge of the management dynamics, organisational and surveying issues that companies in the culture and entertainment sector experience on a daily basis, both in Italy and abroad.

The curricula distinguish between various pathways of specialisation, in particular museums and exhibition spaces, companies and entertainment events, whilst ensuring all maintain a common focus on acquiring the competences related to business management and legislation in the sector. Each curriculum is designed to achieve the general objectives set out above through a more precise and detailed analysis of markets and companies that differ significantly within the broader sector of cultural heritage and activities.

The English-language profile "Methods and Topics in Arts Management (MaTAM)" has been launched with the aim of incorporating a strongly international dimension to students' training in performing arts management.

In order to obtain the Master's degree, students are required to get at least 120 university ECTS.

A certain number of ECTS - equal for all students - is attributed to each exam; the mark (out of 30) varies according to the students' level of preparation.

Admission to the master's degree courses

The curricular requirements and qualifications needed to access the master's programmes are defined by the Admission regulations available online on the individual programme pages (<https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/magistrale/economia-e-gestione-dei-beni-culturali-e-dello-spettacolo-milano/ammissioni-e-iscrizioni.html>); students can check online whether they have the necessary curriculum requirements to enrol by accessing the programme enrolment portal and filling in the data requested.

Registration/pre-enrolment on the master's courses takes place from June onwards, with deadlines as per the admission regulations.

Teaching calendar

Students can look up their lecture times and classrooms on the Faculty's webpage under <https://milano.unicatt.it/polo-studenti-e-didattica-programmi-dei-corsi-orari-delle-lezioni>.

Theology courses: the curriculum of the two-year Master's degree programme will be supplemented by a semester-long course, lasting 30 hours, in the form of seminars or single-subject sessions on topics related to each student's curriculum, as defined by the Board of Theology Lecturers (see also "Theology courses" on page 88 of this Guide).

Profile in Methods and topics in arts management

MaTAM (Methods and Topics in Arts Management) is a new profile entirely taught in English. It has the goal of providing students with a strong international perspective on visual and performing arts management. Especially, the profile focuses on the following areas:

- Advanced courses in the field of Arts Management, aimed at transferring advanced competences to students, ranging from entrepreneurial capabilities to the application and use of digital technologies;
- Study Tours in the field of both Visual and Performing Arts, to get direct and hands on experiences on the 'Art Systems' and their peculiarities;
- Methodological courses to get robust and reliable lenses to read and interpret dynamics within cultural industries, including the study of social network and networking;
- Courses related to the area of Design and Urban Studies, to provide students with a strong opportunity to connect artistic and managerial thinking and to promote a more inclusive view of the urban contexts;

- Internship or Cultural Research Study, where the student can choose to do an internship in a cultural organization or to carry out a research project in a cultural company.

First year

	ECTS
- Human resource management in the arts industry	6
- Digital in the Arts <i>or</i> Design thinking	6
- Accounting and fundraising in the Arts	6
- Law and the Arts	6
- Statistics for arts management	6
- Advanced economics and management of Arts	12
- Advanced English in the cultural industry <i>or</i> Italian language (for not Italian students)	6

Second year

	ECTS
- Comparative cultural policy	6
- Social networks theory and analysis for the cultural sector <i>or</i> Strategy in the arts	6
- Urban cultural studies	6
- Performing and visual arts system	12
- Internship <i>or</i> Cultural research study ¹ <i>or</i> one elective course	6
- Elective courses ²	12
- Thesis	24

¹ Information about the development of the Cultural research study will be given by the Curriculum's Program Director as well as will be available on Blackboard platform.

² Elective courses:

In order to allow our students completing in the best way their Master of Science, it is warmly suggested to choose the elective courses from the following ones (which are planned and thought specifically for the MaTAM profile unless they have already been attended, Strategy in the arts, Social Network Theory and analysis for the cultural sector, Digital in the Arts, Design thinking.

In addition, the following courses can be chosen as electives, from the degree in Management in the School of Economics: Project management, Cross cultural management, Entrepreneurship, Business sustainability.

After graduation

The Master's degree programme aims to produce professional figures capable of fulfilling managerial and executive roles that focus on organising and managing cultural events in the fields of the figurative arts, architecture, music, entertainment and cultural heritage, as well as in economics and management.

Within such companies, graduates may:

- oversee top management or certain individual operational areas; among the latter, in particular: strategic analysis, commercial, marketing, human resources management for companies engaged in cultural and entertainment activities;
- coordinate teams of experts and technicians who regulate all promotion operations for the development and maintenance of a product, cultural service or event on the market;
- implement the company's business policies;
- intervene in all business processes, being competent for the overall management of the company;
- handle and manage the control of company management, presenting operational solutions to the strategic level;
- ensure that expenses are consistent with budget forecasts, making cost-benefit calculations, analysing deviations, drafting budgets and reports.

Graduates may also work as:

- independent or in-house consultants operating in various kinds of business consulting areas (strategic, financial, organisational) for cultural organisations, with the potential to access top management positions;
- self-employed entrepreneurs in the various sectors of art, culture and entertainment economics;
- operators in the management of museums and exhibition events in the following roles: administrative and financial manager; secretariat manager; press office and public relations manager; development manager: fund raising, promotion and marketing; website manager; event curator; auction house manager;
- operators in the management of companies and entertainment events in the following roles: artistic director; theatre organiser; theatre, musical and literary agent; orchestral tour manager; record manager; press office manager for music and theatre festivals and organisations; communication manager for music and theatre festivals and organisations.

Healthcare management (class LM-77)

(available at the Rome Campus)

Programme Coordinator: Prof. Gilberto Turati

The M.Sc. degree in Healthcare Management (HeMa) is designed for students interested in pursuing a career in the healthcare sector, in both public and private organisations. The M.Sc. degree is structured to achieve a good balance between economics, management and statistics, the three core-areas of study. An important feature of the HEMA programme is that all courses are shared between a resident faculty member and a visiting professor from abroad. This will give students the opportunity to learn in a truly international, multidisciplinary and dynamic environment. The programme is characterised by an extensive use of case studies as a way to introduce students to a wide range of practical management issues in healthcare organisations. In addition, HEMA students will be part of a prestigious University that – in addition to a strong reputation in research and education – holds a strong set of values that considers the integrated and balanced development of each community and of each citizen at the centre of the healthcare system.

Main learning objectives

Students enrolled in the HeMa programme will acquire knowledge about:

- managing quality and operations, human resources and technological innovation in healthcare organizations
- using accounting information to take economic decisions
- interpreting the evolution of healthcare spending and the functioning of healthcare markets
- using the most advanced methodologies in Health Technology Assessment
- using cutting-edge statistical and econometric tools for analyzing economic and epidemiological data

Students will apply this knowledge to discuss practical cases during their classes and to participate actively to the workshops and seminars that will be organized throughout the year.

Admission to the master's degree courses

The curricular requirements and qualifications needed to access the master's programmes are defined by the Admission regulations available online on the individual programme pages (<https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/magistrale/healthcare-management-roma/admissions-and-enrolment.html>); students can check online whether they have the necessary curriculum requirements to enrol by accessing the programme enrolment portal and filling in the data requested.

Registration/pre-enrolment on the master's courses takes place from June onwards, with deadlines as per the admission regulations.

Teaching calendar

Students can look up their lecture times and classrooms on the Faculty's webpage under <https://roma.unicatt.it/polo-studenti-e-didattica-programmi-dei-corsi-orari-delle-lezioni>.

Theology courses: the curriculum of the two-year Master's degree programme will be supplemented by a semester-long course, lasting 30 hours, in the form of seminars or single-subject sessions on topics related to each student's curriculum, as defined by the Board of Theology Lecturers (see also "Theology courses" on page 88 of this Guide).

First year

I SEMESTRE	CFU/ECTS
- International law and health	8
- Statistics and big data	8
- Innovation Management in Health and Social Services	8
- Quality and operation management	8
II SEMESTRE	
- Human Resource management in complex organizations	8
- Epidemiology	8
- Health economics	8
- Financial and management accounting in healthcare	8

Second year

I SEMESTRE	CFU/ECTS
- Comparative Analysis of Healthcare Systems	8
- Pharmaeconomics and Health Technology Assessment	8
- <i>One</i> elective course among: Applied econometrics for health and program evaluation <i>or</i> Ethics medicine and public health (field project) ¹	8
II SEMESTRE	
- Planning and control in healthcare	8
- Internship (“Stage di progetto”) <i>or</i> one course among the elective courses	8
- Seminar on the Italian National Health Service <i>or</i> Italian for foreign Students	4
- Final dissertation	12

Career opportunities

The M.Sc. degree programme offers knowledge, skills and competencies particularly valuable to pursuing careers in organisations such as:

- Healthcare providers like hospitals, nursing homes and local health authorities
- Companies supplying medical equipment and devices, pharmaceuticals and biotechnologies
- Governmental agencies in charge of regulating the healthcare system
- Insurance companies
- Consulting companies

¹ Ethics, medicine, and public health (field project) is borrowed from the Degree in Medicine and Surgery and it is scheduled in the second semester.

PROJECT INTERNSHIP

A student enrolled on a graduate degree programme opting for a project internship to which the Faculty awards ECTS is required to adapt to the constraints (duration, location, etc.) inherent in the project internship.

HOW TO FIND A PROJECT INTERNSHIP

The choice of a project internship is made through the student's indication of at least one subject area of interest, against which the training and guidance project with the company (host organisation) will be shaped.

The student is proactive in seeking the project internship through the channels offered by the University, or freely and autonomously through other channels.

In any case, the internship must be approved, in accordance with the procedures set out in the following points.

MODALITIES TO CARRY OUT A PROJECT INTERNSHIP

The implementation of project internships consists of the following steps:

1. *Project internship application*

Students must submit the project internship application in the manner communicated by the University Tutors via the ICatt portal. Meetings are planned from May onwards to inform students about the possibility of project internships.

2. *Requirements for submitting an application and carrying out a project internship*

Students who have acquired at least **48 or 72 ECTS**, in relation to the deadline for submitting project internship applications (see point 4 below), may submit an application and carry out a project internship.

3. *University ECTS awarded*

The project internship is awarded **8 ECTS (6 ECTS for students in the Matam - Methods and Topics in Arts Management profile)**. The project internship may not **last less than three months full-time (or 2 months full-time for the 6 ECTS internship)**.

Each Area Referent lecturer may define a minimum duration of over three months, according to the specific requirements of the project internships in each area.

Students are required to check in advance the minimum duration set by each area.

4. *Deadlines for submitting project internship applications*

Once the minimum requirements set out in point 2 have been met, the student may submit a project internship application. For each academic year, the deadline for submitting project internship applications is:

- 30 September for those who have acquired at least 48 ECTS
- 31 March for those who have acquired at least 72 ECTS

5. *Assessment of applications*

During the months of October and April of each academic year the Internship Commission, with the collaboration of the Offices, draws up a list of candidates meeting the requirements for the project internship.

Applications are conditionally approved. If, upon verification by the Offices, the student does not meet the requirements set out in point 2 above, the internship may continue but will be recognised as having 0 (zero) ECTS.

6. *Activation of project internships*

The Commission evaluates and approves the project internships proposed by students on the basis of the student's university study plan and considering the offers available. The Commission has full discretion in approving project internships for students who have applied. The Commission delegates the University Tutor to manage the activation of the internship in collaboration with the Stage & Placement office.

The Commission approves the project internships after publication of the list of applicants meeting the requirements for project internship activation. Prior to publication, internships with a start date on 1 September and on 1 March will be activated with reserve.

Once a curricular internship with ECTS is approved by the Referent lecturer, the procedure cannot be interrupted and the process will continue on the basis of the approval received, nor can the procedure be activated for another internship with ECTS.

7. *Monitoring and updating*

The student is required to update the University Tutor on the progress of the project internship experience to enable verification of correspondence with the programme of activities. The University Tutor may contact the Company Tutor in order to coordinate any "path" adjustments. In addition, the student is required to keep a diary of the hours spent at the company.

8. *Conclusion of the project internship*

At the end of the project internship, the student is required to send by e-mail to the university Tutor and the Referent lecturer:

- the "Project internship evaluation form" (in pdf format) by the company Tutor;
- the "Final dissertation" on project internship activity (following the instructions given on Blackboard in the "Project internship" section activated for each academic year);
- the "Monthly Attendance Report" certifying the hours of presence at the company. Incomplete documentation will result in not recognising project internship performance.

9. *Recognition of the project internship*

The Area Referent, having seen and considered all the documents referred to in point 8, and having consulted, where necessary, the Company Tutor and University Tutor, proposes to the Project Internship Commission an evaluation in out of 30 of the internship experience, based on the "Final dissertation" submitted by the intern, according to objective criteria relating to project coherence.

The Internship Commission then awards the student a final mark in out of 30.

The final dissertation is a separate product and does not overlap with the final dissertation.

The student may also link the dissertation to the project internship experience, with a view to continuity and integration of learning.

Failure to have the project internship recognised will result in the student having to include the 8 ECTS course (or 6 ECTS course for students in the Matam - Methods and Topics in Arts Management profile) in their study plan.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE MASTER'S DEGREE WITH THE RELATIVE SUBJECT SECTOR CODE

The *subject sectors* were created in response to the need for clarification and simplification, leading to (with numerous legislative interventions) the grouping of all the subjects taught in Italian universities into sectors and the attribution of a code and title to each. The titles derive from the most representative subject in the sector (e.g. *Italian Literature, History of Law*), with all other similar subjects and courses grouped under the same category.

With Ministerial Decree 639 of 2 May 2024, scientific disciplines were reclassified and grouped into macro-areas of reference. The new groupings also led to the identification of new acronyms.

The list below associates the courses with the new scientific disciplinary sectors identified by Ministerial Decree 639, which will apply to students enrolled from the 2026/2027 academic year onwards. Students enrolled before that academic year should refer to the previous regulations and to the Faculty Guides for their academic year of enrolment.

For more information on the correspondence between the sectors indicated in the current regulations and those provided for in the previous regulations, please consult the text of Ministerial Decree 639 with its annexes at the following link: <https://www.mur.gov.it/it/atti-e-normativa/decreto-ministeriale-n-639-del-02-05-2024>

The knowledge of the subject sector which the programmes relate to can be useful to students who wish to check whether credits from one particular programme will be valid in another, for example

Management

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Brand management	ECON-07/A
Business analytics	STAT-01/A
Business sustainability	ECON-06/A
Change management	ECON-08/A
Corporate finance (derivatives and corporate financing)	ECON-09/A
Corporate strategy	ECON-06/A
Cross cultural management	ECON-08/A
Customer-based marketing strategy	ECON-07/A
Entrepreneurship	ECON-06/A

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Financial accounting and analysis (main issues in application of IFRS)	ECON-06/A
HR management	ECON-08/A
Industrial organization	ECON-01/A
International business management	ECON-07/A
International corporate finance	ECON-09/A
International economics (Advanced international trade and macroeconomics)	ECON-02/A
Labour economics (Theory and Methods)	ECON-01/A
Management control systems	ECON-06/A
Management information systems	ECON-08/A
Managerial economics	ECON-01/A
Marketing communication	ECON-07/A
Mathematics for management	STAT-04/A
Performance measurement	ECON-06/A
Political economy of the European Union	ECON-01/A
Project management	ECON-08/A
Public management	ECON-06/A
Supply chain management	ECON-07/A
The economics of digital transformation	ECON-04/A??
Transnational business law	GIUR-02/A
Work and organizational psychology	PSIC-03/B
<i>Innovation and technology management</i>	
<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Applied statistics for business analytics	STAT-01/A e STAT-02/A
Causal methods for policy evaluation	ECON-01/A
Circular economy and sustainability	ECON-06/A e ECON-07/A
Cross-cultural negotiation	ECON-08/A
Design thinking and start-up launch	CEAR-08/D e ECON-06/A
Economics of innovation	ECON-04/A

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Experimental design	STAT-01/A
Finance and risk management	ECON-01/A e
	SECS-P/09
Global challenges and firm strategies	ECON-01/A
History of innovation	STEC-01/A e
	STEC-01/B
Intellectual property and labour law	GIUR-02/A e
	GIUR-04/A
IT coding and applications	IINF-05/A
Internet technologies and smart working	GSPS-08/A e
	IINF-05/A
Lab. Technologies in action	PHYS-03/A
Management control systems and performance measurement	ECON-06/A
Marketing innovation	ECON-07/A
Materials physics and technologies	PHYS-03/A
Modeling and computing for data science (<i>not available for a.y. 2026/2027</i>)	STAT-01/A
Omnichannel management	ECON-07/A
Organizing and leading change	ECON-08/A
Privacy and security	GIUR-01/A e
	GIUR-14/A
Project and people management	ECON-08/A
Project financing and open innovation	ECON-09/A e
	ECON-04/A
Statistical and computational methods for network data	STAT-01/A
Strategic supply chain management	ING-IND/35 e
	ECON-07/A
Strategies for emerging technologies	ECON-06/A

Data analytics for business

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Advanced programming and deep learning for AI	IINF-05/A
Algorithms and deep learning	IINF-05/A
Applied finance	ECON-09/B
Applied linear models	STAT-01/A

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Artificial intelligence	IINF-05/A
Bayesian modelling	STAT-01/A
Causal methods for policy evaluation	ECON-01/A
Computational statistics	STAT-01/A
Computer programming and database systems	IINF-05/A
Data visualization and text mining	IINF-05/A
Empirical economics	ECON-01/A
Experimental design	STAT-01/A
Financial markets and institutions	ECON-09/B
Marketing analytics	ECON-07/A
Mathematical methods	MATH-03/B
Modeling and computing for data science (<i>not available for a.y. 2026/2027</i>)	STAT-01/A
New venture development and data driven strategy	ECON-06/A
Statistical and computational methods for network data	STAT-01/A
Statistical inference	STAT-01/A
Statistical learning	STAT-01/A
Statistical and computational methods for network data	STAT-01/A
Stochastic processes and optimization for data science	STAT-04/A
Stochastic processes and optimization for machine learning	STAT-04/A
Strategic management and tech law	ECON-06/A e GIUR-04/A
Time series and spatial data analysis	STAT-02/A

Economics

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Business analytics	STAT-01/A
Business sustainability	ECON-06/A
Corporate finance (derivatives and corporate financing)	ECON-09/A
Corporate strategy	ECON-06/A
Empirical economics	ECON-01/A
Entrepreneurship	ECON-06/A
Finance and risk management	ECON-09/B
Industrial organization	ECON-01/A

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
International corporate finance	ECON-09/A
International economics (Advanced international trade and macroeconomics)	ECON-02/A
Labour economics (Theory and Methods)	ECON-01/A
Macroeconomics	ECON-01/A
Marketing communication	ECON-07/A
Mathematics for economic analysis	STAT-04/A
Microeconomics	ECON-01/A
Monetary economics and asset pricing	ECON-01/A
Performance measurement	ECON-06/A
Policy evaluation	ECON-01/A
Political and public economics	ECON-03/A
Political economy of the European Union	ECON-01/A
Principles of financial regulation	GIUR-02/A
Project management	ECON-08/A
Public management	ECON-06/A
Quantitative methods for finance	STAT-04/A
Statistical modelling	STAT-01/A
Supply chain management	ECON-07/A
Transnational business law	GIUR-02/A
<i>Management of art, culture and creativity</i>	
<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Accounting and fundraising in the Arts	ECON-07/A e
	ECON-09/A
Advanced economics and management of Arts	ECON-04/A e
	ECON-07/A
Advanced English in the cultural industry	ANGL-01/C
Comparative cultural policy	ECON-04/A
Cross cultural management	ECON-08/A
Design thinking	ECON-07/A e
	ECON-08/A
Digital in the Arts	ECON-07/A
Entrepreneurship	ECON-06/A

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Human resource management in the arts industry	ECON-08/A
Italian language	LIFI-01/A
Law and the Arts (6 Cfu)	GIUR-05/A e GIUR-06/A
Performing and visual arts system	ARTE-01/B e ARTE-01/C, PEMM-01/A e PEMM-01/B
Project management	ECON-08/A
Social networks theory and analysis for the cultural sector	ECON-08/A
Statistics for arts management	STAT-03/B
Strategy in the arts	ECON-06/A
Urban cultural studies	CEAR-09/B

Healthcare management

<i>Teaching</i>	<i>Academic discipline code</i>
Applied econometrics for health and program evaluation	STAT-02/A
Comparative analysis of healthcare systems	MEDS-24/B
Epidemiology	MEDS-24/B
Ethics, medicine and public health (field project) ¹	MEDS-24/B
Financial and management accounting in healthcare	ECON-06/A
Health economics	ECON-03/A
Human resource management in complex organizations	ECON-08/A
Innovation Management in Health and Social Services	ECON-07/A
International law and health	GIUR-02/A
Pharmacoeconomic and Health Technology Assessment	ECON-01/A
Planning and control in healthcare	ECON-06/A e ECON-09/A
Quality and operation management	ECON-06/A
Statistics and big data	STAT-01/A

¹ Ethics, medicine, and public health (field project) is borrowed from the Degree in Medicine and Surgery and it is scheduled in the second semester.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

Semester abroad programmes include four types of proposals that allow students to attend a semester or an academic year abroad, take exams agreed with UCSC teachers and obtain recognition upon their return:

- **Exchange (Erasmus+ Overseas)**, with Erasmus destinations in the EU and Overseas destinations outside the EU, which students can access through a competition without having to pay any enrolment/attendance fees abroad, only travel, board and lodging and incidental expenses).
- **ISEP - International Student Exchange Program**, with over 200 destinations worldwide, which students can access through a competition, bearing the costs for the semester including on-campus accommodation.
- **Study Abroad Programme**, fee-paying semester at prestigious foreign universities.
- **Free Mover** (fee-paying semester at the partner universities of the students' Faculty as part of the Exchange programme, if not admitted through the Exchange ranking, only for faculties that provide for it).

Summer Programmes give students the opportunity to spend a period of 2 to 8 weeks abroad during the summer at partner universities, to take exams for which they can obtain university credits.

Programme LATE - LANGUAGE COURSES ABROAD offers intensive language courses abroad, for both beginners and advanced students, aimed at improving or certifying language skills: the proposal includes all the languages taught at Università Cattolica, with destinations all over the world and the possibility of departing throughout the whole year.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAMMES ABROAD include work experience and internship programmes abroad, which may or may not be part of the curriculum depending on the degree programme students are enrolled in or the type and duration of the experience.

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMMES offer all students, regardless of their degree programme, the opportunity to volunteer in different countries around the world.

Programmes promoted by **ISTITUTO CONFUCIO** include medium-long stays in China, supported by scholarships from the institute itself, aimed at attending language courses or academic courses for a semester, with the possibility of recognition in the degree curriculum.

DOUBLE DEGREE programmes offer study paths designed and promoted by individual faculties, at the end of which the student obtains both a degree from Università Cattolica and a degree from the partner university.

The **‘Thesis Abroad’** programme offers scholarships to undergraduate and graduate degree candidates from all faculties who have independently identified an opportunity to conduct international research for the writing of their thesis.

FACULTY LED (short-term international experiences, promoted by the Faculties / individual teachers, with a close connection to the topics covered in a specific course).

COIL (Collaborative Online Interactive Learning) programs are online learning activities that foster dialogue and collaboration between students from different countries. They can be integrated into university courses or offered as electives, with the goal of creating a global, accessible, and inclusive learning environment.

POST-GRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Below you find some general information on all the first- and second-level post-graduate programmes offered by Università Cattolica's Faculty of Economics (Milan and Rome campuses), followed by details on each of the programmes offered in the academic year 2025/2026.

Who are the Master's programmes designed for?

The ideal participants in the post-graduate programmes are highly motivated young graduates or newcomers to a company with strong awareness of the professional content related to the various areas of study proposed. The post-graduate programmes are aimed at those who hold a Bachelor's degree or a Master's degree (or corresponding specialist degree) from any degree class; those who plan to complete the course of study by the end of the extraordinary degree session in the academic year preceding the year of enrolment onto the post-graduate programme, and those with equivalent qualifications.

Didactic method

The post-graduate programmes are characterised by a combination of teaching methods: traditional teaching methods are integrated with active methodologies such as simulations, case discussions, individual and group projects, field experiences, multimedia activities, workshops and corporate testimonials.

All teaching materials are made available on the *Blackboard e-learning* platform with restricted access.

Faculty

Teaching and scientific-didactic coordination activities are carried out by Faculty professors and lecturers who are experts in the specific topics covered by the courses. Also contributing are managers, consultants and other professionals from organisations that have developed particular competences relating to some of the topics addressed on the different courses. Each post-graduate programme has a dedicated tutorship.

Selection

Admission to the post-graduate programmes is generally preceded by a selection process aimed at assessing the compatibility of the candidates with the training path and the professional field. The criteria and methods of admission take into account the candidate's curriculum, language skills, any work and professional experience and motivation and aptitudes.

How to apply

Course applications should be sent online, as indicated on the website <https://www.unicatt.it/iscrizione-inizia-un-master>

The Faculty of Economics offers, for the academic year 2026/2027, the first-level and second-level university Master's programmes listed on the following page: <https://www.unicatt.it/corsi/master-universitari.html>.

Information and contacts

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PHDs

The PhD programmes relating to the 41st cycle that the Faculty of Economics of the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart intends to promote, also in collaboration with other universities, are listed on the following page of the University's website:

<https://progetti.unicatt.it/progetti-ateneo-iniziare-un-dottorato-milano-e-piacenza#content>.

PhD Office

The office assists PhD students in the various stages of their programme with information of a regulatory nature, and provides the necessary organisational support for admission competitions and final examinations.

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COURSE PROGRAMMES

General information

The following general information applies to all courses offered by the Faculty of Economics. Students are recommended to read this information carefully so as to better understand the course programmes.

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Lecturer's webpage

Each lecturer has a personal webpage that includes the main information regarding their teaching activity (email address, office hours, courses, class hours, exam sessions...). Access the personal webpages at <http://docenti.unicatt.it>.

Blackboard

The Blackboard platform can be accessed at <http://blackboard.unicatt.it/>. The Blackboard platform is not merely a downloading area for course support materials (lecture slides, practical exercises, exam topics...); it is an online environment allowing students and lecturers to interact, aimed to supplement teaching activity. Enrolment in Blackboard courses can be completed by students from their *iCatt* page. For any problems concerning Blackboard enrolment, students may consult the “Help” section on their *iCatt* page, or write to supporto.blackboard@unicatt.it.

Email

Each lecturer has a personal email address indicated on their webpage. Information that can be found on the Faculty’s webpage, on the lecturer’s webpage or on Blackboard should not be requested via email.

Office hours

Office hours are an important moment in which lecturers may consult with students outside of class hours. Office hours offer the opportunity to dispel any doubts about course subjects and ask for advice on how to best prepare and study. Students are invited to take advantage of these occasions. Lecturers meet students throughout the academic year according to the schedule published on their personal webpage.

Courses offered in alphabetical subgroups

Numerous courses of the first two years of the Bachelor's degree programmes are held in parallel classes. Students are divided into subgroups according to an alphabetical criterion. Group changes are not allowed; students must take their exam with their lecturer of reference.

Interim tests

In each of the two semesters of the academic calendar, classes are suspended for one week to allow interim tests to take place (in those courses that provide for them). The lecturers will provide details concerning such tests.

Course's syllabi can be consulted by accessing the following section of Università Cattolica website:

<http://programmideicorsi-milano.unicatt.it>.

<http://programmideicorsi-roma.unicatt.it>.

TEACHING LIST AND RELATED LECTURERS APPOINTED

The lists of courses offered for the a. y. 2026/2027, with the names of the lecturers in charge, are available, updated in real time, on the UCSC web pages <https://milano.unicatt.it/polo-studenti-e-didattica-programmi-dei-corsi-orari-delle-lezioni/MI/cdl?anno=2026> - Milan campus and <https://roma.unicatt.it/polo-studenti-e-didattica-programmi-dei-corsi-orari-delle-lezioni> - Rome campus; furthermore, it is possible, on the personal iCatt page, in the "Corsi" section, once your study plan has been defined, to view the list of courses associated with the name of the lecturer.

THEOLOGY COURSES

Nature and aims

The Theology courses are unique to Università Cattolica. They aim to offer a motivated, reasoned and organic knowledge of the Revelation and of Christian life, so as to provide students with the theoretical tools to critically understand the experience of faith.

The mark achieved in the Theology exams forms an integral part of each student's curriculum and will be considered by the examining board in determining the overall mark for the degree.

Degrees

Theology courses are part of the curricular study plan of the degree programmes for students enrolled at Università Cattolica.

Syllabi

For the first, second and third year of the programmes, there will be a single semester-long syllabus (12 weeks per year, three hours per week).

The subjects are:

Theology 1: *Fundamental questions: Christological faith and the Holy Scripture*

Theology 2: *Matters of theological anthropology and ecclesiology;*

Theology 3: *Theological questions of Christian ethics and morals.*

Students can choose their Theology course from their individual *iCatt* page by the deadline communicated on the same page. For students who do not enrol within this deadline, the university will proceed assigning them a lecturer.

Master's degree

The two-year Master's degree programme includes a semester-long course of 30 hours, taught by Professor Matteo Tolomelli, in the form of seminars and/or single-subject sessions on topics related to the chosen curriculum, according to the Board of Theology Lecturers' decisions.

The course ends with a test set by the lecturer.

Students can choose the seminar course through their *iCatt* page by the deadline communicated via the same page. For students who do not enrol within this deadline, the university will proceed assigning them a lecturer.

Lecturers and course syllabi

For information on the Theology courses and lecturers, please consult the webpage:

<https://www.unicatt.it/collegio-dei-docenti-di-teologia-programma-dei-corsidi-teologia>

The syllabi of the Theology courses can be consulted by accessing the following section of the Università Cattolica website:

<http://programmideicorsi-cremona.unicatt.it>.

UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE SERVICE (SeLdA)

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, through its University Language Service (SeLdA), offers students from all faculties the opportunity to assess or acquire the basic and advanced language skills required as part of their degree programme.

Structure of basic language courses

To help students prepare for the proficiency test, the University Language Service organises semester-long and year-long courses.

SeLdA offers courses in French, English¹, Spanish and German.

Timetable for basic language courses

All levels of all languages

DAYTIME COURSES

Courses – First Semester:	from 28 September to 5 December 2026
Courses – Second Semester:	from 22 February to 15 May 2027 (From 22 March to 3 April 2027: closed for the Easter holidays)

EVENING COURSES

Courses – First Semester:	from 14 September to 12 December 2026
Courses – Second Semester:	from 22 February to 29 May 2027 (25 to 29 March 2027: closed for the Easter holidays)

Proficiency tests

A test to assess the level of language proficiency is required, as set out in the resolutions of the individual faculties. The proficiency test in French, Spanish and German consists of a computer-based written section and an oral section. The SeLdA English Language proficiency test consists solely of a computer-based written test.

¹ For the English Language, a series of modules will be available, each lasting 15 hours and spread across the first and second semesters, designed to prepare students for the proficiency test.

These tests are recognised internally within the University: depending on the decisions of the faculties, they generally replace the first language examination specified in the study plans, entitling students to the corresponding ECTS credits.

Students who have enrolled on a language course during the current Academic Year have the opportunity to take the proficiency test from the early summer session onwards. Details regarding the format and structure of the test can be found in the relevant syllabi on the SeLdA website (<https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-di-base>).

FOR ALL DEGREE PROGRAMMES

Teaching structure for the Business English, English for IELTS² and Foreign Language II – French courses

The University Language Service also organises advanced courses lasting either one semester or one academic year. The aim is to consolidate and enhance language skills within the context of business communication in the English Language and French.

Timetable

The Business English and Foreign Language II – French courses follow the academic calendar of their respective degree programmes.

The English for IELTS course, however, will follow the timetable below:

Courses – First Semester:	from 14 September to 12 December 2026
Courses – Second Semester:	from 22 February to 29 May 2027 (25 to 29 March 2027: closed for the Easter holidays)

² Reserved for the Faculties of Economics, with the exception of degree programmes in Economics and Management – specialising in Service Management and in Economics and Management (late afternoon and evening).

Enrolment on the course and attendance are subject to passing an English Language proficiency test (on dates to be specified by SeLdA) and to being included on the ranking list. The minimum entry level is B2.

ADMISSION TO THE COURSE WILL BE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 90 ON THE RANKING LIST (spread across several classes in either the first or second semester) FOR ALL PARTICIPATING FACULTIES (Economics, Law, Arts and Philosophy, School of Banking, Finance and Insurance).

Test

Details regarding the format and structure of the test can be found in the relevant programmes, which are available on the SeLdA website (<https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-progrediti>).

At the end of the courses, there will be a test marked out of 30.

For the course Foreign Language II – French, only an oral test is required. This is to be taken during the official examination sessions, subject to enrolment, by students who submit a recognised international certificate to be sent directly to the Course Coordinator, Dr Klara Dankova (klara.dankova@unicatt.it).

FOR GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMMES TAUGHT IN ENGLISH³

Teaching structure of Italian language courses for Foreigners

The aim of the courses is to consolidate and enhance language skills with a view to using Italian in everyday life, in an academic context and in professional training.

Timetable

The Foreign Language I course (Italian for postgraduate programmes) follows the academic calendar of the Economics and Management study programme.

Test

Details regarding the format and structure of the test can be found on the SeLdA website (<https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-progrediti>).

³ The course is for foreign students only.

Course Timetable

The course Italian for Foreign Students follows the academic calendar of SeLdA.

The course Foreign Language I (Italian for graduate programmes) follows the academic calendar of Economics and Management.

Final test

Information about the format and content of the test is available at <https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/selda-milano-corsi-curricolari-progrediti>

Recognition of language qualifications

Certain international language certificates are recognised as substitutes for the proficiency test alone if submitted to the SeLdA Secretariat within two years of the year in which they were obtained, subject to verification that language courses are included in the study plan for the current Academic Year. A list of recognised certificates and their corresponding levels is available on the SeLdA website (<https://studenticattolica.unicatt.it/servizio-linguistico-di-ateneo-selda-certificazioni-internazionali-riconosciute>).

For the 2026/2027 A.Y., certificates obtained from 2024 onwards will be accepted⁴.

⁴ For certificates dated 2024, the deadline for submission is December 2026.

BECAUSE WE CARE

Upon arrival

Living expenses per annum

Accommodation (not including meals)¹ From €8,000 to €15,000

Personal expenses From €4,000 to €7,000

Books €400

Local Transportation €200

Food From €2,500 to €5,000

Traveling and extra-curricular activities From €3,000 to €6,000

Can i work while studying?

Non-EU students entering Italy on a student VISA are permitted to work parttime (20 hours per week). Please note that many part-time job employers require students to have a good knowledge of the Italian language.

Accommodation

Cattolica provides some limited assistance for finding an accommodation by making available residences on or near its campuses, or providing a list of recommended private housing providers specialised in international students' accommodation. Each city campus has different options. Details at > international.unicatt.it

Medical insurance

EU Citizens - If you are a national from either an EU Member State or an EEA country or you are of Swiss nationality, you should have a European Health Insurance Card (eHIC, Italian acronym: TeAM) obtained in your home country from your national healthcare authority. The European Health Insurance Card (or eHIC) allows you to receive medical treatment in another member state for free, or at a reduced cost. A patient contribution is required for prescriptions, medical examinations, oral and dental care.

Non-EU Citizens - If you are a non-EU citizen you must take out an International Health Insurance which covers costs related to medical treatment and admission to hospital. If allowed by the Embassy/ Consulate, you can also buy an Italian national Health Insurance upon arrival to Milan. Cattolica International will provide all necessary forms during the Orientation Events.

¹ The cost may vary depending on the area, the kind of room (single or double), utilities, etc.

Local Transportation

Students on all campuses will have access to discounts on public transportation, as well as bike sharing services.

Do you speak italian?

Learning a basic level of Italian will improve your experience at Cattolica. Our Italian language & culture courses are designed to help students take their first steps and build their knowledge of the Italian language and environment, giving them the necessary tools to better communicate with locals and deal with everyday situations. The students' learning journey will be guided by a team of qualified and experienced native speaking instructors who know the situations you are likely to encounter and will point you in the right direction. For details please visit > international.unicatt.it

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

ENROLMENT RULES

1. Qualifications required

Pursuant to Art. 6 of Ministerial Decree No. 270/2004, the following may enrol in the degree programmes opened at Università Cattolica:

- *State upper secondary school graduates* (five-year or four-year: final diplomas in education programmes of study).
- *holders of a foreign degree*, recognised as suitable for admission to Italian universities according to the provisions issued for each academic year by the Ministry of University and Research in agreement with the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and the Interior.

Concurrent enrolment at the university and in highly specialised artistic and musical educational programmes (AFAM)

It is permitted to simultaneously enrol in two programmes of study at the same University or at different Italian or foreign Universities, or where one of the programmes is at a University and one at the Higher Institutes of Musical and Choral Studies, in compliance with the provisions of Law No. 33 of 12 April 2022, subsequent ministerial implementing decrees and related ministerial FAQs.

The simultaneous enrolment in two programmes of study is allowed provided that the aforementioned programmes do not relate to the same ministerial degree class and that they differ in at least two-thirds of the educational activities in terms of academic teaching credits.

Students interested in concurrent enrolment are required to give prior notice to the Student Centre of the relevant campus using the appropriate forms.

2. Modalities

Students who intend to enrol for the first time at Università Cattolica (Milan, Brescia, Piacenza-Cremona) must first read the specific notices "Admission procedures" on the University website (www.unicatt.it).

The registration application must be completed and submitted online (the submission is necessary since the application, in some parts, must be manually completed and it is also necessary to acquire the handwritten signature of the student or parent, if the student is a minor) using the *Registration Portal*, available on the University website.

In addition to filling out the registration form, it will be necessary to pay the 1st instalment of the tuition fees and university contributions, and upload all of the required-documentation:

Once registration has been completed, the University, in accordance with the procedures in force, will provide the Carta Ateneo badge.

When submitting their registration application, priests and other religious figures must submit the declaration by which the Bishop or Superiors authorise them to enrol in the University (written authorisation will be approved by the General Ecclesiastical Assistant of Università Cattolica or by a delegate).

Regarding the presentation of income documentation, the appropriate online procedure must be used, available in the *Registration Portal* or on the student's personal *iCatt* webpage.

A student who has been successfully enrolled for a year of university studies is not entitled to a refund of fees and contributions paid.

Registration on a part-time basis

Students who do not have full-time availability due to work, family, health or other justified personal reasons, may opt – at the time of registration or renewal of their current enrolment – for a study path that permits them to carry out 50% of the annual educational activities envisaged for the programme. Minor deviations can be determined by the competent Faculty Councils, taking into account the unique features of each programme of study.

A student who intends to register on a part-time basis must first express this intention, with justifications for their request, by filling in the appropriate form at the Student Centre of their campus.

This declaration of interest will be submitted to the competent educational bodies for approval and, once this is received, the student may submit a formal request for registration on a part-time basis.

All information relating to the modalities, timings and economic aspects can be found at the Student Centre of the respective campuses.

3. Verification of the initial preparation of students (VPI) – Additional learning obligations (OFA)

To better cope with their chosen university programmes, those who enrol in the first year of the degree programmes and single-cycle graduate degree programmes will be evaluated on their level of initial preparation; an exception is made for those who enrolled in programmes of study for which there are alternative ways of fulfilling the VPI or that provide for a specific admission test.

The VPI is a test on predefined subject areas (for example, knowledge of the Italian language and understanding of text and mathematics), diversified according to the chosen Faculty, covering the knowledge that is expected, irrespective of the diploma they obtained at their upper secondary school.

All information relating to the methods for taking the VPI for each study programme, as well as that relating to the OFA assigned to applicants who obtain an insufficient result on their VPI – which will, in any case, have to be covered by the end of the 1st year – are reported on the website www.unicatt.it as well as on the student's personal *iCatt*.

4. Rules for students with foreign qualifications

The admission of students holding foreign degrees is regulated by specific ministerial legislation, downloadable from the following link: <https://www.universitaly.it/studenti-stranieri>. Interested students are invited to request the relevant information from the International Admissions Office of each campus.

The specific admission procedure is available on the website: <https://international.unicatt.it/>

5. Methods of admission to graduate degrees

For admission to a graduate degree programme, one must have an undergraduate degree and meet certain curricular requirements (ECTS in specific scientific disciplinary sectors (SSD) and/or specific courses). For each degree programme, the admission procedures are established:

- *Chronological order with an interview or degree curriculum evaluation, if required*: the reservation of a place is done in chronological order, following payment of the first instalment of the university contributions, until all envisaged places are filled, and once any necessary interview or degree curriculum evaluation has been completed
- *Chronological order with a compulsory interview*: the reservation of a place is done in chronological order following an interview, once payment

of the first instalment of the university contributions has been made, until all envisaged places are filled

- *Chronological order according to a minimum mark average*: the reservation of a place is done in chronological order, following payment of the first instalment of the university contributions, but is conditioned by certain curricular requirements
- *Grading by merit*: the reservation of a place is conditioned by a ranking drawn up on the basis of certain requirements
- *Admission test*: the reservation of a place occurs once an admission test has been passed.

Admission to some degree programmes may include more than one of the aforementioned modalities, therefore it is necessary to refer to the specific "Admission procedures" notices, available on the University website.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Compliance with deadlines for enrolment in subsequent years

Subject to the following instructions, students who intend to enrol in the new academic year are required to make payment within the deadline indicated in the *General Regulations for the Determination of University Contributions* in force and usually reported on the iCatt personal webpage.

If payment has been made within the terms indicated, *the student will be automatically placed for the new academic year of the programme year (or as "fuori corso", supplementary year student, i.e. students who have not managed to complete the scheduled exams in the time frame established by a given university programme) in the REGULAR position.* *If the student intends to vary the proposed enrolment (for example, from "fuori corso" (supplementary year student) to "ripetente" (repeat students, i.e. students who have not achieved the necessary credits to move on to the following year or who have expressly requested to be able to enrol in the previous year), or request to change to another degree programme) they must necessarily contact the Student Centre.*

If a student enrolls for a year subsequent to the first year and payment was made *late*, the student will be placed in the 'in corso' position, *in debt for late payment* (downloadable online from the student's personal iCatt webpage). N.B. In case enrolment is renewed after the deadline for submission of the degree curriculum, an unalterable *ex-officio* degree curriculum will be assigned.

Repeat students

Students who have followed the programme of study, for which they are enrolled, for its entire duration without having enrolled in all the courses envisaged in the degree curriculum, or without having obtained the relevant attendance certificates where such attendance is expressly requested, must register as repeat students for the courses lacking enrolment or attendance.

Students who, despite having completed the normal duration of the programme of study, intend to modify their degree curriculum by adding new courses in which they have never enrolled, must register as repeat students.

Registration as a repeat student will only be allowed if the degree programme is still active, and in any case within the final deadline for the submission of the degree curriculum, in compliance with the deadlines set by the respective Faculties.

Students who have not completed university exams within the set time period ("Fuori corso" (Supplementary year student))

Students who have been enrolled and have attended all the courses required for the entire study programme are enrolled as "fuori corso" (supplementary year) students until they obtain their academic title, except in the case of alternative provisions set by the individual educational systems.

Enrolment in a programme/repeat programme year subsequent to the first year

The enrolment procedure is digital. Students who wish to enrol as repeat students must submit the appropriate application form to the Student Centre of the relevant campus.

Any student already registered with Università Cattolica and regularly enrolled must pay the first instalment proposing enrolment in the new academic year and can download the *General Regulations for the Determination of University Contributions*.

In order to be enrolled in the following year, students must pay the first instalment: payment of the first instalment constitutes a definitive expression of willingness to enrol in the new academic year.

Updating of the computer database takes place as soon as the University receives news of the payment through the banking circuit. Therefore, it may take a few days after the payment before a student's enrolment is registered for the academic year.

N.B. given that the payment of the first instalment immediately completes the registration process, it is non-refundable under any circumstances – (Article 4, paragraph 8, Title I "General Rules" of the Teaching Regulations of Università Cattolica and Article 27 of the Student Regulations, approved by Royal Decree 4 June 1938, No. 1269).

Only one fulfilment remains to be met by students enrolled in degree programmes that are subject to income-dependant university contributions: they must present their income documentation using the online application on the student's personal *iCatt* webpage, which is indicated in the *General Regulations for the Determination of University Contributions* in force and usually reported on the personal *iCatt* webpage. After this date, late payment is incurred for late delivery of administrative documents.

Suspension of Studies

Students have the right to suspend the studies undertaken in the cases provided for in the current rules and regulations. At the end of the suspension, students can resume the interrupted programme of study provided that the programme itself is still active.

Transfer and Withdrawal from Studies

Students have the right to transfer or withdraw from the studies undertaken with the obligation to pay any outstanding contributions at the time of submitting their application.

Degree curriculum

The deadline for students to submit their individual degree curriculum is set within the deadlines published on the website. For delays falling within seven days of the deadline, the degree curriculum may be submitted upon payment of the expected late payment fee (for the amount see "Secretariat Fees, Late Payments and Reimbursements of Miscellaneous Expenses" in the *General Regulations for the Determination of University Contributions*). In the event of a longer delay, an unmodifiable degree curriculum will be assigned.

Examinations

General Rules

Students are required to know the rules relating to the degree curriculum of their degree programme and are, therefore, responsible for cancellation of any exams taken in violation of said rules.

In order to avoid the cancellation of exams taken, students are reminded that the prepared order of exams set between the individual years of a multi-year

course or between the preparatory and the advanced or higher exam, is rigid and compulsory.

Any infringement of the exam provisions will result in the cancellation of the examination. The cancelled exam must be repeated.

The mark assigned by the examining committee, once recorded, cannot be subsequently modified: the mark is final, unless expressly waived by the student.

A recorded examination with a pass mark cannot be repeated (pursuant to Art. 6 paragraph 6, Title I "General Rules" of the University Teaching Regulations).

Students are only allowed to take the examinations if they have: a) presented their degree curriculum; b) paid the contributions; and c) registered for the exams in the manner indicated below.

Non-EU students must also have a valid residence permit deposited at the Student Centre.

How to Register for Exams

Registration takes place online via the student's personal *iCatt* webpage and must be made no later than the fourth calendar day preceding the exam date. *Simultaneous registration for the same exam on several exam dates is not allowed.*

A registration may be cancelled until the day before the first day of the exam date.

Transferring the registration for an exam from one exam date to a later date can only take place once registration in the exam date one intends to abandon has been cancelled.

If the deadline for registering for an exam date has passed, it is no longer possible to cancel any registrations made and one must wait till the day after the expired exam date before registering for the next one.

N.B.: The following students will not be allowed to sit the exam:

- those who have failed to register for the exam date within the deadline;
- those who, despite registering for the exam date, did not sit the exam with a university badge and a valid identity document;
- those who have not regularised their administrative position.

Final Exam for the Awarding of a Degree

The didactic system of each degree programme offers several possible ways to take the graduation exam. The competent teaching structure defines the method to be adopted for each programme of study (see in this regard the indications on the webpages of the University website and those contained in the Guide).

The procedure remains currently similar to that described for graduate degree programmes *with the following differences*:

1. it is a paper on a topic normally agreed with a lecturer of reference;
2. the commitment required for this paper is lower than that required for a traditional degree thesis (the commitment is proportional to the number of university credits attributed to the final exam in the educational system of one's degree programme). Consequently, the document will have a limited extension;
3. the subject title of the final paper must be obtained according to the procedures established by the Faculty Council (*direct assignment by the lecturer, acquisition through the thesis desk in one of the various forms available, or other*) in time for the development and completion of the paper within the deadline set for submitting an application to take the final exam for the awarding of the degree. This deadline will be published on the webpage of each Faculty for each reference session;
4. The application to take the final exam for the awarding of the degree must be submitted no less than 45 days from the beginning of the chosen session. The aforementioned application may be submitted provided that the outstanding number of exams and/or credits is not greater than that established by each Faculty;
5. the final paper, in pdf format, must be sent to the lecturer of reference via the personal *iCatt* webpage in the section "Online Secretariat – Final Exam – Send Final Exam" according to the methods and deadlines provided and published on the webpage of each Faculty. The deadline for uploading the document cannot be extended. The lecturer of reference may request a hard copy.

Final Exam for the Awarding of a graduate degree

The final exam for the awarding of the graduate degree involves the development and discussion of a written dissertation carried out on a subject previously agreed upon with the subject professor.

To be admitted to the final exam, students must fulfil the following requirements in order:

- a. choose and present a topic verifying the expected curricular/temporal requirements;
 - b. submit the application for admission to the final exam by verifying the expected curricular/temporal requirements;
 - c. deliver the final paper.
1. In order to present *the topic of their degree thesis*, students must respect:
 - the deadlines for submission;
 - the curricular requirements

The subject of the final exam must be related to a course included in the degree curriculum, and the title must be agreed with the lecturer of reference. To obtain approval for the subject, it is necessary to contact the lecturer, in the manner provided for by each Faculty. The subject must then be inserted into the personal *iCatt* webpage (Online Secretariat – Final Exam) within the deadline indicated in the section "Four-year and Graduate Degree Exam Dates" on the University Internet pages.

Any delay will result in the thesis being postponed to the next exam date.

2. In order to submit an *application for admission to the final examination*, the following must be complied with:
 - the deadlines for submission;
 - the curricular requirements
3. To submit *the application for admission to the final exam* it is necessary to follow the procedures provided for by each Faculty and published on their webpages.

Any changes to the title of the final paper, approved by the lecturer, must be made at the time the application is submitted. The title that is submitted must, therefore, be definitive since no changes can be accepted.

4. Students will be invited to take the final exam exclusively through their personal *iCatt* webpage, in good time and certainly no later than the tenth day prior to the graduation date.

Notes

1. No graduating student may be admitted to the graduation exam if they have not complied with the deadline dates published on the webpage of each Faculty.
2. Graduating students must have taken and recorded all exams at least one week before the start of the graduation session.
3. Graduating students are obliged to promptly notify their thesis supervisor if, for any reason, they are unable to graduate on the exam date for which they have applied, and, in such cases, must subsequently resubmit a new application for admission to the graduation exam.

Graduates are also required to revoke their application, if they wish, through the iCatt degree portal and to promptly notify the supervising professor.

Graduation exams relating to programmes prior to the entry into force of Ministerial Decree No. 509 of 3 November 1999

The procedure is substantially similar to that described for the final exam for the awarding of a graduate degree, unless different instructions are published in the Faculty Guide. For the graduation exams of the four-year/five-year programmes too, prior to the regulation referred to in Ministerial Decree 509/99, application for admission to the final exam may be submitted provided that the number of outstanding exams is not higher than that established by each Faculty.

Loss of student status by those enrolled in a study programme following the university reform pursuant to Ministerial Decree 509/1999

Students who have not regularly enrolled for five consecutive academic years or students who, after the normal duration of their study programme, have not passed exams for five consecutive academic years, may not enrol in a new academic year and, therefore, **lose their student status**. The aforementioned provision does not apply to students who only have to take the graduation exam or who have obtained all the credits except those covered in the final exam.

Students who, despite having passed all the exams in their degree curriculum, have not renewed their enrolment for at least 5 consecutive academic years, are exclusively outstanding on their final paper or thesis, yet complete their studies within the academic year 2026/2027, are required to make, at the same time and no later than 31 December 2026, the following payments:

- the recognition contribution relating to 5 academic years regardless of the number of academic years of non-renewal;

- the first instalment to fully cover university tuition fees for the academic year 2026/2027 (thus exempting the second and third instalments).

They are also required to pay the graduation fee for the exam date of the relevant graduation session.

Loss of student status by those enrolled in a study programme prior to the university reform pursuant to Ministerial Decree 509/1999

Students who have not taken exams for eight consecutive years may not enrol in a new academic year and, therefore, **lose their student status**. The aforementioned provision does not apply to students who only have to take the graduation exam or who have completed all the exams except those covered in the final exam.

Students who, despite having passed all the exams in their degree curriculum, have not renewed their enrolment for at least 8 consecutive academic years, are exclusively outstanding on their thesis, yet complete their studies within the academic year 2026/2027, are required to make, at the same time and no later than 31 December 2026, the following payments:

- the recognition contribution relating to 8 academic years regardless of the number of academic years of non-renewal;
- the first instalment to fully cover university tuition fees for the academic year 2026/2027 (thus exempting the second and third instalments).

They are also required to pay the graduation fee for the exam date of the relevant graduation session.

Withdrawal from studies

Students have the right **to withdraw from the studies undertaken** with the obligation to pay any outstanding contributions at the time of submitting their application for withdrawal from studies. This is done by printing the withdrawal application from their personal *iCatt* webpage in duplicate, affixing the stamp mark according to the current value and submitting the application for withdrawal to the Student Centre of the relevant campus, and the badge (in the case of a Carta Ateneo + provided that the banking services have not been activated).

Their withdrawal must be written in a clear and explicit way, without affixing any conditions, terms and clauses that limit its effectiveness. Those who have withdrawn from their studies, upon request, may be issued certificates relating to the academic career previously pursued under conditions of administrative regularity.

Transfer to another degree programme

Regularly enrolled students who intend to transfer to another degree programme within the same or another Faculty of Università Cattolica must use the online procedure on their personal *iCatt* webpage.

The students concerned are also invited to consult the notices published on the University website to check the deadlines for uploading the necessary documentation on the *Registration Portal*.

Transfers

Transfers to another University

The regularly enrolled student can transfer to another University, **after consulting its study regulations, from 15 July to 31 October of each year (unless the final deadline in the provisions of the destination University is before 31 October), by submitting a specific application to the Student Centre.**

Students who request a transfer to another University beyond the deadline set by the regulations and certainly no later than 31 December are required to pay an operational contribution directly proportional to the delay in submitting the application. However, the transfer cannot take place without authorisation from the University of destination.

In order to obtain the transfer, the student must follow the procedures and not have outstanding university contributions at the time of submitting their application.

As from the date of submission of the transfer application, no further examination shall be allowed. Any exams taken and not yet recorded on the aforementioned date will not enter the student's career record.

Students who obtain authorisation to return to Università Cattolica are admitted to the programme year corresponding to the exams passed, regardless of the registration previously obtained. They will also be required to pass any additional supplementary tests deemed necessary by the competent Faculty Council to bring them in line with the students of Università Cattolica.

Transfers from another University

Students already enrolled at another University who intend to enrol at Università Cattolica are required to use the *Registration Portal*. The students concerned are also invited to consult the University website to check how and when to submit the necessary documentation.

Students are, in any case, required to submit a transfer request to the University of origin.

Registration "ex novo" with any shortened course (career recovery)

Students who withdrew from their studies or who lost their student status may request to enrol "ex novo" in the study programmes provided for by the new regulations.

The competent teaching structures establish which credits acquired in the previous university career may be recognised.

Single Course Enrolment

Pursuant to Art. 11 of the University Teaching Regulations and subject to authorisation from the competent teaching structure, the following students may register for individual courses and take the exams for these courses on the exam dates of their respective academic year of attendance:

- a. students enrolled in other universities authorised by the University to which they belong and, if foreign citizens, in compliance with current legislation and procedures;
- b. graduates interested in completing the training curriculum followed;
- c. other interested parties, previously authorised by the Council of the competent teaching structure, provided that they hold the necessary qualifications for enrolment in the study programme to which the individual courses refer.

A tuition fee plus a contribution is due for each course (see *General Regulations for the Determination of University Contributions*).

The students mentioned above can enrol in individual courses corresponding to a number of university credits established by the Council of the competent teaching structure and, as a rule, no more than 30 per academic year, for no more than two academic years; any exceptions will be considered, upon motivated request, by the Council of the competent teaching structure.

The application for registration may be submitted, only once per academic year and with reference to courses belonging to (or shared with) the same Faculty, to the Student Centre within the following dates: if one or more courses begin/s in the first semester, by 6 October 2026; if the course or courses of interest begin/s in the second semester, by 9 February 2027.

NOTES REGARDING SECRETARIAL DUTIES

Unless otherwise stipulated, students are reminded that, in order to protect personal data, *they must present themselves in person* at the relevant offices to carry out any administrative procedures.

Please note that some administrative procedures may be done online on the student's personal *iCatt* webpage.

Students are recommended not to wait until the last days before the deadlines to complete the procedures for the various requirements.

Student Centre Opening Hours

The Student Centre is open to the public on weekdays (Saturdays excluded) according to the times indicated on the website (www.unicatt.it).

The Student Centre will be closed on the feast of the Sacred Heart, from 24 to 31 December, for two consecutive weeks in August, and on Good Friday. Students will be advised of any additional closure days with appropriate notice via notices on the website.

Student Contact for Miscellaneous Communications

It is essential that both the residence and contact details, in case of subsequent changes, be updated promptly: this update must be carried out directly by the student online using the appropriate function via their personal *iCatt* webpage.

Certificates

Certificates relating to students' academic careers are normally issued with a stamp except in the cases indicated by current legislation in which the exemption or substitute declaration of certification (self-certification) is expressly provided for.

Via the self-service, students can produce certificates digital format (pdf) and in signed digital format.

Issuance of Degree Certificates and Requested Duplicates

To receive the original degree certificate, students must follow the instructions contained in the invitation letter to the graduation exam.

Should the original degree certificate be lost, the interested party may – by way of a specific application, subject to stamp duty and accompanied by the documents proving the loss (a competent judicial authority report) – request from the Rector a duplicate of the certificate after paying the associated issuance fee.

The original certificates are delivered to the interested party to the address on the records held in administration at the time of applying for the graduation examination.

UNIVERSITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Information on university contributions as well as financial benefits can be consulted through the website of Università Cattolica and from the student's personal *iCatt* webpage.

Students who are not in good standing with the payment of contributions and with the prescribed documents cannot:

- be enrolled in any course year, either as a repeat or "fuori corso" (supplementary year) student;
- be admitted to examinations;
- obtain transfer to another degree/diploma programme;
- transfer to another university;
- obtain registration certificates;
- withdraw from the study programme in which they are enrolled.

Students who resume their studies after having interrupted them without a formal withdrawal, or having suspended them for one or more academic years are required to pay the contributions of the academic year in which they resume their studies, while for the years related to the period of interruption or suspension, they need only pay a recognition fee. Students who, on resuming their studies at the beginning of the academic year, ask to be able to take exams during the extraordinary session between January and April, normally scheduled for those who attended the previous academic year, are also required to pay an additional contribution.

As a rule, payment of all instalments must be made via the student's personal *iCatt* webpage.

Students who enrol in the first year of a programme or who enrol in admission tests to degree programmes will have to make the payment from the Registration Portal; moreover, solely in these cases, it is also possible to pay the first instalment and the contribution of the admission test by credit card via the website of Università Cattolica.

Bank transfer is not allowed as a means of payment.

Already registered students will have to access their personal *iCatt* webpage to pay the first and subsequent instalments.

Arrears are due for late payment of university contributions to the extent annually established in the General Regulations for the Determination of University Contributions.

For the purposes of any future feedback, students should retain all receipts of payments made until the end of their studies.

RULES OF CONDUCT

According to the provisions of the University regulations and the Code of Ethics of Università Cattolica, students are required to conduct themselves in a manner that is not detrimental to dignity and honour and does not conflict with the spirit of Università Cattolica.

In case of non-compliance, the University regulations provide for the possibility of disciplinary sanctions of various entities in relation to the seriousness of the infractions (see Art. 18 bis - *Disciplinary Powers Regarding Students*, Title I "General Rules" of the University Teaching Regulations).

The possible imposition of sanctions is ordered by the competent academic bodies on the basis of procedures that ensure the right of defence of the interested parties in keeping with the general principles in force in this matter.



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