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Information for Partners and Incoming Students
Joint Programmes (Double and Joint Degrees)

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1 General information

Institutional details

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Erasmus code: I-PADOVA01
Website: www.unipd.it

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Useful websites

[Joint/Double Degrees – Incoming students](#)
[Course Catalogue](#)
[Key Academic Dates](#)
[Starter kit: Welcome Days, Services and Healthcare](#)
[International mobility for students with disabilities](#)
[UniverCity Life: Basic info for incoming students](#)

Social networks

<https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/>
<https://www.instagram.com/unipd>

2 Nomination and Application

Nominations:

Partner Universities should send students' official nominations by email to:
mobility.in@unipd.it

Nomination deadlines*:

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th March to 30th April

Spring Terms – from 1st September to 15th October

**Should a partner not be able to send the nominations before the deadline, they should inform Unipd in advance: mobility.in@unipd.it*

Students from joint programmes should not be nominated via our Mobility Online platform, even if they benefit from an Erasmus KA131 scholarship.

Applications:

Students should send all required documents only through the online Application form. They can send supplementary or missing documents by email only if they are not available when completing the online form.
Application instructions will be emailed to all nominated students.

Further info: [Joint/Double Degrees – Incoming students](#)

Application deadlines:

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th April to 15th June

Spring Terms – from 1st October to 15th November

Required documents*

- Passport/ID card
- Passport-style and format photo
- Previous study diplomas and Transcript of Records (*University level*)
- Previous study diplomas (*Secondary education level/High School*)
- Health and travel insurance (*if already available*)
- European residence permit or visa (*if any*)

We accept diplomas and transcripts in Italian, English, Spanish, French and Portuguese.

**To be submitted through the online Application form and anyway before starting the mobility period.*

3 Accommodation and Canteens

Residence Halls

Although we prioritise requests coming from joint programmes' students for on-campus accommodation, requests from non-European students will be favoured (in consideration of visa requirements concerning accommodation).

Given the very limited number of rooms available in the dorms, we advise European students to look for private accommodation and to start looking at least 6 months in advance (Padua has a large student population: finding accommodation may be very difficult).

Therefore, we warmly recommend that students invited to request a place in the dorms take advantage of this opportunity, keeping in mind that the number of rooms is, in any case, very limited.

Accommodation form:

Deadlines:

Students will be personally invited by email to fill out the Accommodation form around May/June and October/November.

Costs:

Price range: € 290 - € 420 per month

Booking fee: € 380 to be paid in advance

Further information regarding on-campus accommodation at Unipd is available at:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/alloggi-programmi-congiunti-internazionali>

Housing contracts duration

The accommodation offers sent by SASSA Service will report standard start and end dates that correspond to the duration of the semesters. Students can always ask for customised start/end dates if their stay differs considerably from the standard dates. Students may have to arrange an alternative accommodation if they arrive earlier than their place is available.

Private housing

As an alternative to on-campus accommodation, students can search for private rooms/apartments on *HousingAnywhere*, an international housing platform through which they can book a room/apartment offered by verified private landlords and by outgoing students.

To receive a Unipd VIP profile and priority access to the listings:

<https://housinganywhere.com/Padua--Italy/unipd/sign-up>

Canteens

There are 5 University canteens all around the city, 1 canteen in Agripolis Campus and other canteens in the other campuses (Rovigo, Treviso, Vicenza, Conegliano...)

Price Range for exchange students: € 4,60 - € 5,70 per meal

The canteen service is provided by ESU – Regional Agency for the Right to Study:

<https://www.esu.pd.it/en/food-service/>

4 Academic life

Academic calendar

The organisation of the academic activities in trimesters or semesters depends on the degree course, not on the choice of students. The term system on which the course unit is based is displayed in the Course Catalogue.

	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Welcome Days - Autumn term												
Intensive Italian language course												
Biannual Italian language course												
First semester classes												
First semester exams												
First trimester classes												
First trimester exams												
Second trimester classes												
Second trimester exams												
Welcome Days - Spring term												
Intensive Italian language course												
Biannual Italian language course												
Second semester classes												
Second semester exams												
Third trimester classes												
Third trimester exams												

Semester System

First (winter) Semester*

Classes, 21st September 2026 – 16th January 2027

Exams, 18th January – 20th February 2027

Second (spring) semester

Classes, 22nd February – 12th June 2027

Exams, 14th June – 17th July 2027

*Exceptions: in the 1st semester most classes start on 28/09/2026. In the 2nd semester the Bachelor's degrees in Dietetics and Nursing may start on 01/02/2027. Please check the timetable for each course unit

Trimester System

First (fall) Trimester

Classes, 21st September – 28th November 2026

Exams, 30th November – 19th December 2026

Second (winter) Trimester

Classes, 7th January – 13th March 2027

Exams, 15th March – 3rd April 2027

Third (spring) Trimester

Classes, 6th April – 12th June 2027

Exams, 14th June – 17th July 2027

Recommended arrival dates and ORIENTATION

Orientation activities usually take place before classes begin or during the first week of classes

Further information: <https://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days-mobility>

(The programme will be updated around one month before the start of the classes)

Credit and grading

Unipd uses the ECTS credit transfer system. The grades for each exam successfully passed can range from 18 to 30. In case of exceptional performance, the grade is 30 cum laude. In some courses, the grade can be expressed instead as “fail”, “sufficient”, “satisfactory”, “good”, “very good” or “excellent”.

For other courses and activities, such as the Italian Language Laboratory for exchange students (3 ECTS), the positive assessment is not expressed in terms of a grade but simply as “Pass”.

Standard course load

30 ECTS is the standard full-time semester load for degree seeking students.

1 ECTS credit equals 25 hours of study, including contact hours and self-study.

Course catalogue

<https://unipd.coursecatalogue.cineca.it/>

You can **search your degree course** and your study track by “Year of enrolment” and “Master’s degree course” (i.e. if you attend the second year at Unipd in 2026/27, the year of enrolment will be 2025/26).

The **start and end dates** mentioned in the course catalogue are the general term dates. You can check the real start date of your classes on the [timetable portal](#) (fully updated a few weeks before the start of the courses).

Course registration

Students do not need to formally enrol in each course unit, they must sign up for exams instead.

Two online platforms are used:

-“[Uniweb](#)” student portal: it contains the “booklet”, the list of courses of the study programme, and it’s used to sign up for exams and check the grades.

-“[Moodle](#)” teaching platforms: updated info and teaching material, it is required to register in each course unit before classes start.

Class timetable

The start and end dates mentioned in the Course Catalogue are the general term dates. You can check the real start date of your classes on the [timetable portal](#) (fully updated shortly before the start of the courses).

Study plan

Degree seeking students must refer to the instructions they will receive from the hosting Department to complete the online Study Plan on Uniweb after their arrival. After the Study Plan is completed, the “booklet” will show the list of selected courses.

Examinations

Signing up for exams is mandatory.

Each exam session (roughly: Jan-Feb, June-July, September) usually offers 2 exam dates for each course. It is possible to sit an exam on the first date and then re-sit it on the second date in case of failure (unless formally prohibited by the responsible Professor), or during the following sessions, including the remedial exam session in September.

Exception: for trimesters, exams failed in the first trimester cannot be re-sit in April.

Transcript issuance

Before graduation: students may ask Unipd to send their Transcript of Records by email to the Erasmus Mundus course coordination or the Home University.

The ToR should be requested only after all the grades are registered in the Uniweb “booklet”. To receive the document directly, the payment of a revenue tax of 16€ is required and the request must be submitted to the Student Office (the procedure is described [here](#)).

After graduation, students should request all certificates from the Student Office and the payment of a revenue tax of 16€ is required (the procedure is described [here](#)).

5 Pre-departure

Website

<https://www.unipd.it/en/prima-arrivo-programmi-congiunti-internazionali>

	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Nomination												
Application form												
Accommodation form												
Book WD restricted events												
Orientation/Welcome Days												
Arrival												

Visa and residence permit

Non-EU students residing in non-EU countries must apply for a visa before arriving in Italy.

Exception: if you have a valid EU permit you can stay in Italy for up to 360 days.

Please refer to:

- [Before your arrival - See Step 6](#)
- https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/?lang=en_US
- [Visa instructions](#)

Health Insurance

EU students can use the [EHIC - European Health Insurance Card](#) for emergency healthcare.

Health insurance/cards for **non-EU students** must be valid for the whole duration of the stay. Private insurance must guarantee medical coverage of at least Euro 30.000, emergency medical evacuation and repatriation of remains.

Students don't need to provide the insurance at the time of completing the Application form, they can send it later by email to mobility.in@unipd.it.

A few [tips on international insurances](#) are also available [here](#).

Cost of living

- Average living costs: € 800-900/month (including grocery shopping + accommodation and bills + personal extras)
- Accommodation in a dorm: € 290 - €420/month
- Private accommodation: €400- €600/month
- Canteen: € 4,60 - € 5,70/meal
- Grocery shopping: around € 70/week
- Residence permit: around € 100/one time

[Find out more here!](#)

Italian language course

The University Language Centre (CLA) offers 1 free course to all incoming students:

<https://cla.unipd.it/en/italian-courses/dd-mundus-ka171/>

Students may attend either an intensive Italian language course before the start of the semester or a longer course during the semester.

The intensive course does not award any ECTS credits. The semester-long course awards 3 ECTS to students who pass the final exam (TAL); those attending at least 70% of the lessons without sitting or passing the TAL will receive a certificate of participation.

Other online activities

Students will be informed by e-mail of any other online opportunities they can take part in before their arrival in Padua. We usually have pre-departure virtual exchange programmes, e-Tandem and intercultural preparation.

6 Student support services

STARTER KIT:

Welcome days, Services and Healthcare

[Starter kit: Welcome Days, Services and Healthcare](#)

SAOS

Welcome Service for Foreign Guests

This desk of the International Relations Division assists extra-EU students on immigration-related procedures upon their arrival.

SASSA

The SASSA Service desk from ESU (Regional Agency for the Right to Study) manages the accommodation in the student residence halls and the canteens.

Buddy Service

All students can request a tutor “Buddy” student (i.e. a Unipd student) before their arrival in Padua.

The Buddy will welcome and support students during their stay.

Buddies will contact students before the start of the semester activities.

Students with disabilities or learning difficulties

The Student Services Office organises specific initiatives for students with disabilities who wish to participate in an exchange programme.

Students with disabilities or learning difficulties and vulnerable students can arrange for favourable conditions and study accommodations during their stay in Padua by informing the Student Services Office of their condition before they arrive.

<https://www.unipd.it/en/risorse-supporto-inclusione-mobilita-internazionale>
inclusione.studenti@unipd.it

Psychological assistance

The Psychological Assistance Service (SCUP) is a point of reference for any students who encounter psychological difficulties during their studies, personal problems or unease (anxiety, relationship problems, and academic performance).

The service is completely free of charge for all students of the University of Padua.

[SCUP - Website](#)
psychological.assistance.scup@unipd.it

University Language Centre (CLA)

[CLA - Italian language course for Incoming Students](#)

<http://cla.unipd.it/en/>

University Sport Centre (CUS)

2 sport facilities in Padua.

Free membership for students and free access to a few sport activities: tennis, running, soccer, basket (max. 1h in some cases).

Student discount on the gym pass (1, 2 or 4 months) and on courses.

[Home | CUS adova](#)
[CusFIT gym](#)

ESN - ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

The association of volunteer students who support students during their international mobility in Padua.

ESN assists students by answering their questions and helping them in dealing with any kind of issue they might have.

ESN also organises activities, trips and parties to promote Italian culture with the aim to create a positive environment where everybody can feel at ease and make new friends.

[ESN Padova - Erasmus Student Network](#)

Mobility Unit - Central Desk

Ms Elisa Zambon
Ms Irene Occhipinti
mobility.in@unipd.it

Students and Partner Universities can contact the central desk about:

- Nomination/Application procedure
- Accommodation
- Visa/Residence permit procedures
- Arrival and Attendance certificates, if needed
- Orientation/Welcome Days
- Buddy Service

Joint Programme coordinators at the Department

Students and Partner Universities can contact the Joint Programme coordinators at the Department about:

- Choice of courses, study plan
- Course contents, syllabus
- Academic advice and support
- Learning Agreement Before and During the mobility (if applicable)

Mobility Unit desks at the School/Department

Students and Partner Universities can contact the Mobility desks at the School/Department about:

- Information about the School/Department services (Libraries, tutors, study rooms, etc.)

Full contact list:

[Desks and contacts](#) | [Università di Padova \(unipd.it\)](http://www.unipd.it)