

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO PALESTINIAN STUDENTS Italian Universities for Palestinian Students Academic Year 2025/2026

#### THE RECTOR

Having regard to the Statute of the University of Naples Federico II;

Having regard to Didactic Regulation of the University;

Considering the CRUI (Conference of Italian University Rectors) meeting held on 31.03.2025, during which the Italian Universities have been reported about the project "IUPALS" (Italian Universities for Palestinian Students) according to which the Palestinian students living in the occupied Palestinian territories will be awarded of scholarships so that they can benefit from an international education by accessing Academic study courses in Italy;

**Having regard to** resolution no. 62 of the Board of Directors and resolution no. 14 of the Academic Senate of 29.04.2025, approving and expressing a favourable opinion on the issuing of the call for the award, for two years, of 10 scholarships for students living in the Palestinian occupied territories, in the form of the accommodation and board services provided by Adisurc, free enrolment in a Federico II University Master's degree course and enrolment in the National Health Service;

#### **DECREES**

The issuing of the call for applications for the award of ten scholarships to Palestinian students.

Naples, 08.05.2025

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# **ARTICLE 1 – Purpose and Beneficiaries**

A call for applications is hereby issued for the award of ten (10) scholarships for students residing in the Occupied Palestinian Territories (West Bank and Gaza Strip), who intend on enrolling in the 2025/2026 academic year in one of the University's Master's degree programmes, as listed in Table A.

Table A		
ELIGIBLE DEGREE PROGRAMMES FOR THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026	CLASS	STUDENT HANDBOOK
Architecture and Heritage - ENG	LM-4	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/architecture-heritage/
2. Autonomous Vehicle Engineering – IT/ENG	LM-33	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/autonomous-vehicle-engineer-
		ing-eng/
3. Biology of extreme environments – ENG	LM-6	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/biology-of-extreme-environ-
		ments/
<ul> <li>4. Data Science – ENG</li> <li>5. Design for the Built Environment – ENG</li> </ul>	LM-91	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/data-science-eng/
	LM-12	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/design-for-the-built-environ-
		ment/
6. Industrial Bio-Engineering – ENG	LM-21	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/industrial-bio-engineering/
7. Economics and Finance (LMEF) – ENG	LM-56	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/economics-and-finance-eng/
8. International Relations – ENG	LM-52	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/international-relations-eng/
9. Languages and literatures for European plurilingualism – ENG	LM-37	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/lingue-e-letterature-per-il-plu-
		rilinguismo-europeo/
10. Marine Biology and Aquaculture – ENG	LM-6	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/laurea-magistrale-in-marine-bi
		ology-and-aquaculture/
11. Mathematical Engineering – ENG	LM-44	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/mathematical-engineering/
12. Precision Livestock Farming – ENG	LM-86	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/precision-livestock-farming/
13. Quantum Science and Engineering – ENG	LM-44	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/quantum-science-and-engineer
		ing/
14. Sustainable food systems	LM -70	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/sustainable-food-systems/
15. Transportation Engineering and Mobility - ENG	LM-23	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/transportation-engineering-
		and-mobility/
16. Volcanology – ENG	LM-74	https://www.orientamento.unina.it/cor-
		sidistudio/volcanology/



## **ARTICLE 2 - Duration and Provisions of Scholarship**

The scholarship shall be valid for two academic years (2025–2026 and 2026–2027) and shall be provided in the form of services, comprising of:

- board and lodging at a residence managed by the Regional Agency for the Right to University Education of Campania.
- Exemption from payment of tuition fees for enrolment in a master's degree Programme.
- Free registration with the Italian National Health Service.

## **ARTICLE 3 – Admission Requirements and Application Procedures**

So as to be eligible for participation in the selection process, candidates must meet the following criteria:

- be in possession of a valid Palestinian passport.
- Not be enrolled in any other Italian university for the academic year 2025/2026.
- Hold a first-level university degree (undergraduate qualification) that is recognised as valid for admission to the Italian higher education system.
- Possess an adequate knowledge of English.
- Have completed the pre-enrolment procedure through the Universitaly platform.

Failure to meet one or more of the required criteria automatically disqualifies the applicant from participating in the selection process.

Students wishing to apply for the scholarship must register on the Universitaly portal (<a href="https://www.universitaly.it/">https://www.universitaly.it/</a>) no later than May 31st 2025, under risk of exclusion, and upload all necessary documentation for the selection process (Bachelor's degree, exam transcripts taken/Transcript of Records, CV, and Motivational Letter).

# **ARTICLE 4 – Criteria for the Allocation and Approval of Ranking Lists**

All pre-registrations on the Universitaly portal for degree **programmes** at the University of Federico II, as listed in Table A, submitted by residents of the Palestinian occupied territories (as evidenced by possession of a Palestinian passport), shall be deemed eligible for the allocation of scholarships under this call. The distribution of the 10 scholarships among the degree programmes will be conducted in proportion to the number of applications received, using the formula  $(N_{cds} \times 10)/N_{TOT}$ , where  $N_{cds}$  is the number of pre-registrations received for a specific degree programme, 10 is the number of available scholarships, and  $N_{TOT}$  is the total number of pre-registrations received for all degree programmes listed in Table A. Any decimal will be rounded up if it is greater than 0.5. The documentation attached to the pre-registration will be sent to the coordinator of the relevant degree programme for the appropriate selection process, as determined by the individual degree programme. The selection process may include, inter alia, a remote interview with the candidates. In the event of a tie in the ranking, preference will be given to female candidates and/or those of a younger age. Should a degree programme decide



not to approve any of the pre-registrations received its scholarships will be reallocated progressively to those degree programmes that have received the highest number of pre-registrations.

The final ranking will be approved by a Decree of the Rector and made publicly available exclusively through posting on the University noticeboard and on the University website. The results of the scholarship allocations will be published on the University website.

In the event that scholarships remain unassigned due to withdrawals or non-acceptances, they may be allocated to the degree programme that receives the highest number of applications.

#### **ARTICLE 5 – Acceptance**

The winner will receive notification of the award of the scholarship via email. Within a mandatory period of 10 days from the date of receipt of the notification of the scholarship award, the recipient must submit an acceptance declaration by email to the address admissions@unina.it.

#### **ARTICLE 6 – Waiver**

In the event of a waiver of the scholarship, subsequent to its acceptance, the scholarship holders must provide written notice via e-mail to the address <a href="mailto:admissions@unina.it">admissions@unina.it</a> in order to allow for the possible reallocation of the scholarship.

# **ARTICLE 7 – Assistance and University Fees**

The International Union of Students (ISU – International Welcome Desk) (<a href="https://www.isu-services.it/it/universities/universita-degli-studi-dinapoli-federico-ii">https://www.isu-services.it/it/universities/universita-degli-studi-dinapoli-federico-ii</a>), an organisation officially collaborating with the University of Naples Federico II, will provide free assistance to all admitted students with regard to bureaucratic procedures (such as tax code registration, opening a bank account, residence permit application, etc.).

Admitted students will be required to complete their registration with the administrative office of the chosen degree programme.

#### **ARTICLE 8 – Processing of Personal Data**

Information regarding the processing of personal data pursuant to Article 13 of Regulation (EU) No. 679/2016, concerning the rules on the processing of personal data, and the Personal Data Protection Code, Legislative Decree No. 196/2003, as integrated and amended by Legislative Decree No. 101/2018. By completing, submitting, and transmitting the forms required for participation in this selection notice, the individual provides their personal data to the University of Naples Federico II and assumes the status of "data subject" under the provisions of Article 4(1) of the EU Regulation.

Purpose and Methods of Processing: The personal data provided during the application process or subsequently obtained throughout the course of the relationship with the University will be processed for institutional purposes, specifically for administrative and accounting obligations related to the agreement. For this purpose, personal data may be collected, including but not limited to: name, surname, residence, personal details, tax identification number, contact information, address, email, information regarding qualifications held, and educational background. Personal data will be processed



by authorised personnel assigned to the processing task, using electronic means through the computerised management of data, including automated databases, as well as in paper format through the collection, storage, and use of documents via files, forms, and archives.

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Mandatory provision of data and consequences of potential refusal: The processing of personal data is mandatory for the assessment of eligibility requirements for participation in the call for applications. The provision of certain categories of data (judicial data and health status) is made voluntarily, to allow the University to carry out the procedure and/or provide the related services for participation. For these reasons, consent for data processing is not required. Any refusal will result in the University being unable to fulfil these purposes and the individual's exclusion from participation in the programme.

Communication and Dissemination of Data: Personal data will be processed for the purpose of carrying out institutional activities in accordance with the principles of lawfulness, necessity, proportionality, relevance, and fairness, in compliance with European and national legislation and the University's regulations in this regard. The data may be communicated to the following entities in particular: the National Erasmus+ Agency, the European Commission, the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research, the University, and the hosting organisation. In accordance with the provisions regarding Transparent Administration (Legislative Decree No. 33/2013 and subsequent amendments), personal data, excluding special categories of data as referred to in Articles 9 and 10 of the EU Regulation, will be disseminated through publication on the University's official website for the period specified by the relevant legislation.

Rights of the data subject: At any time, the data subject may exercise their rights under Articles 15-22 and 77 of the EU Regulation, provided the relevant conditions are met. The contact details of the Data Controller and the Data Protection Officer, as well as comprehensive information for the data subject, are available on the University's website: http://www.unina.it/ateneo/statuto-e-normativa/privacy.

# **ARTICLE 9 - Dispute Resolution**

This notice is also available in English solely for informational purposes. For the purposes of interpretation and the resolution of any disputes, as well as for any legal effect, only the Italian version shall be deemed valid.

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