



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I have to possess a certificate of English language before applying?

No specific certificate is required. Each candidate however must be aware that all classes are taught in English and that also written assignments and the thesis will be written in English. Moreover, by the end of the first year students will have to pass a B2 level test of English.

What about fees?

Information on fees are available at: <http://www.unipd.it/en/tuition-fees-scholarships-tax-relief-schemes>. The amount depends on the student's ISEE (Equivalent Economic Status Index), which is based on his/her personal and family income. You will be assisted to fill in the forms necessary for the determination of you ISEE. The student's citizenship does not affect the fees' amount.

What is ISEE?

The Equivalent Economic Status Index (ISEE – Indicatore della Situazione Economica Equivalente) concerns incomes and properties of the student's household, and it can be requested whether at authorized Offices (both at INPS – Istituto Nazionale Previdenza Sociale - Offices, and at CAF – Tax Advise Centres - Offices) or at a private chartered accountant.

The ISEE affects access to many economic benefits, such as scholarships, housing, reduced rates for canteens and other facilities.

Please note that obtaining the ISEE requires 12-15 working days.

What if I have a disability or special need?

Students with disability or dyslexia may contact the University Disability and Dyslexia Service (<http://www.unipd.it/en/students-special-needs>) to report any special needs they may have or to enquire about tuition fees reductions and services available for support in relation to class Attendance.

What about scholarships?

The University can handle regional funds to finance low-income students, both Italian and foreign, who have a good academic record.

The scholarship consists partly of money and partly of services, such as accommodation and meals at the University canteens (provided by the [ESU Office](#)).

The application form has to be filled in online from approximately July to September of each academic year.

Students will declare their economic condition through the ISEE, i.e. Income Assessment Form.

Moreover, non EU students will produce further documentation: a certification of the their household composition and a certification of incomes and properties, if residing in Italy because of working, of family reunification, or because they are political refugees. The documents must be translated by an Italian Consulate/Embassy.



What about accommodation?

ESU provides accommodation for about 1600 students from outside Padova in its 14 halls of residence, which are situated in the city centre or near to the university buildings. Four university guesthouses are also available for short term stays.

Accommodation in halls of residence is governed by a competition. All the information about requirements and deadlines can be found every year from the end of June at <http://www.esupd.gov.it/en/Pagine/Home.aspx>.

Prices are calculated according to student merit, family means, and the on-site facilities.

University guesthouses are open from October to the end of July. The prices and quality of the rooms make them a competitive option for students, teachers and researchers in search of short term accommodation. From the end of August to the end of September the Copernico hall of residence also offers a bed & breakfast service for students and families, which includes reading rooms and internet points.

For further information go to www.sassa.org.

For bookings, write to accommodation@esu.pd.it; you will be asked to provide your personal details and the dates of arrival and departure.

For information about competitions

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For information about halls of residences and guesthouses

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Further information: <http://www.unipd.it/en/services/housing-and-canteen-facilities>



University Canteens

ESU canteens are near to the city centre or to the main University buildings. A wide choice of food is available including three first courses, five second courses, side dishes, drinks, desserts or coffee. A light meal or pizza can also be purchased using a University card that can be topped up at prepayment machines located in the canteens. The charges normally vary from 2.30 euro to 4 euro, depending on the student's financial situation and merit. Additional discounts are available for students eligible for or awarded study grants and for people accompanying disabled students (only if eligible for or awarded study grants). The ESU also guarantees this service to students at the University's satellite sites (Castelfranco Veneto, Conegliano, Feltre, Rovigo, Treviso, Portogruaro, Vicenza) thanks to agreements with local restaurants and other self-service caterers.

For information on prices and discounts

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For information on University canteens

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Further information: <http://www.unipd.it/en/services/housing-and-canteen-facilities>

Library Centre

To develop co-ordinated library services, the University of Padua has set up a [Library Centre](#), to oversee and promote the facilities and services offered by the several University of Padua libraries in the city. The Library Centre also focuses on the development of advanced services, such as:

- On-line Public Automated Catalogue (OPAC)
- On-line University databases
- Electronic journals available on-line
- Access to non-paper-based documents (multimedial, hypertextual, etc.) directly from the OPAC
- Inter-library lending and document delivery service.

All information: <http://www.unipd.it/en/libraries-0>



General Practitioners (GPs)

Italian students registered at the University but resident in a different district may:

- receive free guaranteed medical assistance from a doctor of their choice;
- use their current local health authority (ULSS 16) certificate.

Foreign students must apply for a health certificate at the ULSS 16 office in Padova in order to benefit from any form of Italian health service treatment. Once obtained, this certificate grants students the same standard of medical cover and treatment as Italian students resident in Padova.

Further information: <http://www.unipd.it/en/services/health-sports-and-recreation>

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Sport and Sports Associations

Padova's [University Sport Centre](#) (CUS), founded in 1946, enables students to take part both in competitive and non-competitive sports at the two facilities in via Giordano Bruno and via Jacopo Corrado. The CUS participates in some competitions such as the Ludi del BO and the University Games.

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When will courses start?

On October 3rd.

What about Introductory weeks?

Orientation briefings and foundation seminars take place before the beginning of the courses.

What about academic calendar?

The MA is structured in four semesters (October- January; March-June).

Exam sessions are held in February, June and September.

The graduation sessions are in October, February and June.