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For legal purposes refer only to the Italian version of the Call. This translated version is intended only for a better comprehension for international students enrolled in the first year of the dSEA Master's degree programmes

Departmental Selection Criteria Erasmus+ for studies and SEMP – A.Y. 2025/26 for in the A.Y. 2026/27 – Departmental destinations

[...]

MASTER'S DEGREE COURSES: ONLY students enrolled in the first year CAN apply, and ONLY for mobilities to be taken in the second year and for agreements specified for their course of study. Applications for destinations exclusively dedicated to other Master's degree will be considered ineligible.

Each candidate may express up to three destinations by assigning a decreasing degree of preference. The assignment will take place by generating for each destination a ranking of candidates based on the score awarded on the basis of the selection criteria. Given that it is possible to be assigned only one destination for each call for application, the candidates who are successful in more than one destination are assigned to the one with the highest priority. They will be automatically excluded from other selections, both as a winner and as an eligible candidate.

Language proficiency	Study efficiency	Penalization*
50% 30 points	50% 30 points	-50%

***Penalizations:** for citizens of the country of destination or students who obtained an academic qualification at the country of destination **-50%**

For equal merit: the one with the oldest age wins

Language knowledge

The "main language" score is awarded to the language of the country/region if the language is = English, German, French, Spanish, Portuguese

The "main language" score is awarded to the English language for a country/region with a minority language

"Bonus language" points are awarded to the English language if the official language of the country/region is = German, French, Spanish, Portuguese

"Bonus language" points are awarded to the country/region language per countries/regions with a minority language¹

Main language	Bonus language
Up to 20 points	Up to 10 points

Main language score						Bonus language score					
A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
4	8	12	16	20	20	2	4	6	8	10	10

The **Annex** contains the details on the accepted certificates.

¹ If different from the Italian language



Study efficiency

The scores will be rounded to the hundredth.

First call:

1 - Candidates with merit coefficient: $(CM-C - CM-Min) / (CM-Max - CM-Min) * 30$

where: CM-C is the candidate's merit coefficient²; CM-Max is the maximum coefficient of merit recorded among all candidates; CM-Min is the minimum coefficient of merit recorded among all candidates for dSEA destination(s) with this profile

2 – Enrolled at 1st year Master's degree with an Italian degree and no coefficient of merit: $(Grade-C - Grade-Min) / (Grade-Max - Grade-Min) * 30$

where: Grade-C is the degree mark obtained in the course of study considered for the candidate's admission, Grade-Min and Grade-Max are respectively the lowest and highest degree marks recorded among all candidates enrolled with this profile for dSEA destination(s). A grade of 110 cum laude is counted as 111.

3 - Enrolled at 1st year Master's degree with an international qualification and no coefficient of merit: $(Score-C - Score-Min) / (Score-Max - Score-Min) * 30$

where: Score-C is the candidate's admission score. Score-Min and Score-Max are respectively the lowest and the highest admission score recorded among all candidates enrolled to the call for dSEA destination(s) with this profile. In the absence of an admission score, the qualification used by the candidate to access the current study program will be taken into consideration. The corresponding grade will be converted to its Italian equivalent, and the application will be classified under profile 2.

Second and any further calls:

The merit coefficient will be exceptionally updated on the last eligible day for submitting applications.

The merit coefficient for first-year students is calculated based on the weighted averages and earned credits of all students enrolled in the first year of the same study program.

For applications for which a merit coefficient is still not available, the criteria of the first call will be applied.

Persons with disabilities: a 40% increase will be applied to the value used for calculating academic performance efficiency for all students with a certified disability (Law 104/1992) or with a certified invalidity exceeding 66% (see the relevant section of the selection calls).

² The merit coefficient is the indicator used to assign benefits (financial and others) at UNIPD : <https://www.unipd.it/en/studying-padua/funding-and-fees/fee-waivers-and-incentives>



Annex 1

The certificates accepted are those recognised by the University Language Centre (*Centro Linguistico di Ateneo – CLA* <https://cla.unipd.it/test-linguistici/certificazioni/>), unless otherwise indicated in the call for applications for each destination. The main types of certificates are listed below

Only international certificates valid as of June 30 following the application deadline, and in any case not older than five years, will be accepted.

Exceptionally, for Portuguese language skills, language exams taken at UNIPD or other universities (if duly documented) and certificates of completion issued by language schools will also be considered useful for determining the score, provided that the CEFR level is expressly indicated.

For all languages, **mother-tongue students are recognised a C2 level**. Native speakers are considered to be students who have attended at least the entire secondary school cycle and obtained the relative diploma³ (corresponding to the DIPLOMA DI MATURITA') in a country in which the language being assessed is considered an official language.

Completed⁴ **degree courses** held entirely in a foreign language (English or other) will be considered equivalent to a certified level B2 (if a vehicular language) and C1 in the case of an official language⁵.

Secondary school courses completed at international schools in Italy or abroad (e.g. International Baccalaureate - IB Diploma Programme) or within the framework of educational cooperation between ministries (e.g. ESABAC) are considered equivalent to a certified B2.⁶

Curricular language exams passed as part of a degree course will also be considered valid, recognising the relevant CEFR level.

To this end, it is necessary to provide a link to the course programme to document the CEFR level achieved. Proof of passing the relevant exam must also be attached to the application, such as, for example: a self-certification of enrolment with exams produced through the student management system, a degree certificate with exams or a diploma supplement.

In the case of exams passed at other universities, the language level will be assigned based on equivalent exams offered by UNIPD, if available. For further information on the levels assigned to UNIPD exams by the various departments, please refer to Annex 2 of the University's selection criteria.

In the absence of any indication of the level, an A2 score will be recognised.

TAL and other tests conducted by the University Language Centre (*Centro Linguistico di Ateneo - CLA*) not older than 5 years at the closing date of the call for applications, will be considered on the basis of the declared level. To this end, please note that in order to document possession of an Open Badge, it is necessary to attach a printout, which can be obtained by following the instructions available on the page <https://cla.unipd.it/test-linguistici/open-badge/>

ENGLISH

	Certificate	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1/C2	C2
	TOEFL						
	IELTS						
	Cambridge ESOL						

³ It is mandatory to attach a copy of the qualification to the application.

⁴ Simply enrolling in and attending a degree programme taught in the language to be documented is not an admissible qualification.

⁵ See note 3

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International certificates	Trinity College London						
	Oxford University Press						
	GATEHOUSE						
	PEARSON						
	British council						
	LanguageCert						

FRENCH

	Certificate	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
International certificates	DELF						
	DALF						
	ESSEC						
	DFP (CCIP)						

SPANISH

	Certificate	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
International certificates	DELE						
	SIELE						
	CEC / DEC						
	CELU						

GERMAN

	Certificate	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
International certificates	Goethe						
	TestDaf						
	ÖSD						
	telc Language Tests						
	DSD						

PORTUGUESE

Knowledge of Portuguese will be assessed on the basis of any language examinations taken at UNIPD or other universities (if documented as indicated in this annex) and certificates of completion issued by specialised language schools, provided that the CEFR level is expressly indicated.