UNIVERSITY OF INSUBRIA

MSc in Hospitality for Sustainable Tourism Development

Department of Law, Economics and Cultures

2027 October Intake

Admission office: foreignstudent.didec@uninsubria.it



Minimum Admission Requirements

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Minimum admission requirements

Economics and Business Management and minimum GPA

- You must have obtained at least 10 ECTS in economics or business management courses at a University level.

This is MANDATORY (= you will not be accepted without this requirement).

- GPA requirement: the candidate must have obtained a grade that is at least 75% of the maximum grade obtainable.

Minimum admission requirements

At least a B2 level of English

- We accept the following certifications: IELTS, TOEFL, Cambridge, Trinity, or equivalent.
- If your mothertongue is English, you meet this requirement.
- If you only have a medium of instruction certificate, we will test your English during the assessment interview (after Esse3 registration).
- We do not accept certificates older than 5 years.
- This is MANDATORY (= you will not be accepted without this requirement).

Minimum admission requirements

At least B2 level in a recognized second language

- We accept these language certificates / mothertongues: German, Spanish, French, Chinese, Russian, or Italian.
- **Alternative**: participate in our Italian online course and pass the language exam by January 2028 to meet the requirement. After passing, you will be able to fully enroll.

Language support

Italian language support

Two free Italian courses, offered ONLY to students who pre-enrol on Esse3 and pass the assessment interview.

Online Course
September and October 2027

In-Person Course
November 2026 to January 2027

Final oral exam
Held in presence at the end of January 2028.

Note
Students without a second language certificate may only choose Italian.

Online Assessment Interview

The final admission decision will be delivered after completing the assessment interview.

1. Discuss your current academic background and motivation.
2. Test your English knowledge.
3. Figure out any administrative problems (missing documents, accommodation, scholarship, etc.).

There is no maximum or minimum age requirement.

Required Documents

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CIMEA Statement of Comparability or ARDI Statement of Correspondence

Required documents (1)

CIMEA is mandatory and obtainable from https://cimea-diplome.it/sito/page-comparability-service.

- This cost will be reimbursed upon enrolment by subtracting the amount from your fees; if you are a scholarship recipient, you will not receive a refund as you do not pay any fees.

ARDI Statement of Correspondence (https://ardi.cimea.it/en) **must** be paired with CIMEA Statement of Verification.

This document can be substituted by the Declaration of Value.

Degree, transcript and language certificates

Required documents (2)

- Original and legalized copy of Bachelor's degree (CIMEA Statement of Verification).
  - Legal translation in English or Italian.
- Full transcript of records with course names and credit hours (in English, French or Spanish, or legally translated if otherwise). Note: legalization of the transcript is mandatory.
- Language proficiency certificates (if any) and medium of instruction letter.
- Europass CV
- Valid passport
- Study visa (must be presented by November 30th, 2027).

Application Steps and Deadlines

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What to expect

Step-by-step timeline

To facilitate the application process, here's a step-by-step timeline. Please follow each step in order and submit all required documents by their respective deadlines to avoid delays.

Extra-UE students

Those who already meet all requirements before September 2027 can skip Step 6 and Step 9 (language course), enroll and pay the requested fees before the end of October.

Italian citizens/residents and other UE citizens

Those who already meet all requirements before September 2027 can skip Universitaly, enroll and pay the requested fees before the end of October.

Application steps and deadlines

Step-by-step timeline (1)

1 **Step 1: Pre-enrolment Universitaly**

Upload all required documents and, **if admitted by the Universitaly committee**, we will forward your summary to your preferred embassy (open until June 30th).

2 **Step 2: Visa request**

to be arranged through your preferred embassy.

Note: We do not assist with embassy communications.

3 **Step 3: Pre-enrolment Esse3**

- Register on our Esse3 platform (https://uninsubria.esse3.cineca.it/Home.do)
- Apply for the assessment test.

Note: Register for the assessment test before the end of Sept. 2027 to avoid disqualification.

Application steps and deadlines

Step-by-step timeline (2)

4 **Step 4: Assessment interview**
in July/August/September/October 2027 with course coordinator and foreign students office.

5 **Step 5: Apply for the online language course**
held in September and October 2026.

6 **Step 6: Classes start at the end of September 2027.**
Online classes can be set up until the end of October, as long as you can show us proof that you have a study visa appointment.

Application steps and deadlines

Step-by-step timeline (3)

7 **Step 7: Last document submission**
- hand in your visa before November 30th, 2027.

8 **Step 8: Pass the language exam**
by January 2028.

9 **Step 9: Enrolment Finalization & Fee Payment**
- Finalize by mid January 2028.

How payment works

Fees (1)

The tuition fee must be paid in two steps: deposit by December, balance by May.

- To finalize the enrolment, students are required to pay a registration fee of 146 euros.
- The tuition fees, in two installments in December and May, are calculated depending on the country of origin.

Fees by country group

Fees (2)

Here are the fees divided by country groups.

Link to country groups (Group = Tabella)

Country of Origin	Flat rate	Program K	tuition fees
GROUP 1	200	1	200
GROUP 2	700	1	700
GROUP 3	3300	1	3300

Important note

Fees (3)

Note: you will not be able to pay any fee until you meet all requirements, i.e., pass the assessment interview, acquire second language knowledge, and submit all documents.

This will produce a message (“The candidate is not in a useful position to complete this task”) on the Esse3 platform. All offices are already informed.

You will still be given access to our resources, as well as an institutional student email, once you complete your assessment interview.

https://www.uninsubria.eu/services/uninsubria-living/enrollment-procedures

Where to find help

Useful links

Right to Study and Support Services · Enrolment Procedures and Fees · Student Information Service (InfoStudenti) · Accommodation Finder · Right to Study Scholarship Information.

Information on fees, scholarships, and accommodation can be requested exclusively from the Student office and the Right to Study office through InfoStudenti.

Note: accommodation and scholarships can only be assigned to fully enrolled students. If you need to take the Italian test in January, you will not qualify for accommodation or scholarships in the first semester of the first year.

Frequently Asked Questions

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Frequently asked questions

F.A.Qs (1)

Why do I need a second language if the course is in English?
Our goal is to fully prepare you for a successful career. In the tourism sector, having additional language skills is an invaluable advantage.

Which languages are accepted?
For our degree course, we currently accept the most attractive languages for the international tourism market, i.e., German, Spanish, French, Chinese, Russian, or Italian.

Can I skip one of the requirements?
We cannot remove the requirement from the letter. You are bound by all requirements.

Frequently asked questions

F.A.Qs (2)

Why do I need to hand in the CIMEA certification before my arrival in Italy?
We decide if you can enroll based on the outcome of the CIMEA or DoV. If your degree is not considered enough to access our course, you cannot be enrolled.

Do I need to legalize my documents? What if I already have CIMEA comparability or ARDI?

Yes and yes. You can do so through CIMEA Statement of Verification or apostille.

Frequently asked questions

F.A.Qs (3)

How quickly will you reply to my email?
Soon. We try our best, but we are still unfortunately human. Give us at least 10 business days.

Can I defer my enrolment to next year?
We do not offer deferrals.

Frequently asked questions

F.A.Qs (4)

Can I change embassy after applying?
Only if we have not processed your application yet. If your summary has already been forwarded, you must contact the embassy you applied through.

What happens if I miss the deadline?
Your application will not be processed.

We look forward to your future application and to welcoming you to the HoSTDe program!

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