



UNIVERSITÀ DI PAVIA

Admissions Notice for the Joint Master Degree in Lifelong well-being and healthy aging (LM-9) 2025 – 2026 Academic Year

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Joint master's degree in Lifelong well-being and healthy aging	Total number of seats	Places for EU and non- EU citizens legally residing in Italy- as set by Law 189/2002, art.26 Citizens of Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Republic of San Marino are considered as EU applicants	Places for non-EU citizens residing abroad – as set by DPR n. 394/1999 and successive amendments
"Healthcare" track	20	5	15*
"Welfare" track	20	5	15*

* Places not assigned or occupied by NON-EU candidates will be reassigned to EU candidates.

CALLS	QUOTA	ONLINE APPLICATION	INTERVIEWS**	ACCEPTANCE OF THE ADMISSION OFFER
1 st CALL	EU and non-EU	From 13 th January 2025 at 00:00 to 27 th January 2025 at 23:59	From 17 th to 21 st February 2025	From 24 th February 2025 at 00:00 to 30 th March 2025 at 23:59
2 nd CALL <i>(it will be opened only in case of available seats)</i>	EU	From 26 th May 2025 at 00:00 to 8 th June 2025 at 23:59	From 30 th June to 4 th July 2025	From 7 th July 2025 at 00:00 to 25 th July 2025 at 23:59
3 rd CALL <i>(it will be opened only in case of available seats)</i>	EU	From 21 st August 2025 at 00:00 to 28 th August 2025 at 23:59	From 1 st September to 5 th September 2025	From 8 th September 2025 at 00:00 to 12 th September 2025 at 23:59

** Date and hour of the interview will be communicated by the commission directly to the selected candidates.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

For the 2025-26 academic year the University of Pavia will offer Joint Master Degree in Lifelong well-being and healthy aging (LM-9) with a duration of two years.

The student will receive the diploma from each of the Universities where he will attend a semester and take the exams. The award of the degree from each attended institution depends on the accreditation status of the Joint Master Degree in each partner country. The universities involved in this program are 8 institutions from the Alliance: University of Salamanca (Spain), University of Coimbra (Portugal), University of Iași (Romania), University of Jena (Germany), University of Pavia (Italy), University of Poitiers (France), University of Turku (Finland), University of Linz (Austria).

1.1. EC2U ALLIANCE

The EC2U Alliance, in accordance with legislation in their respective jurisdictions, manage- this Multilateral Master's Degree based on a joint programme, in accordance with the work plan and the Grant Agreement of the European project "European Campus of City-Universities (EC2U)", approved in July 2023. The agreement was renewed through the signing of the Grant Agreement for the European project "European Campus of City-Universities (EC2U)", approved in July 2023 under the ERASMUS Lump Sum Grants of the ERASMUS-EDU-2023-EUR-UNIV-1 program "Erasmus+" (Grant Agreement no. 101124589-EC2U).

1.2 ACADEMIC OFFER

The Joint Master Degree in Lifelong well-being and healthy aging is organized in two academic curricula. All seven EC2U Universities deliver a semester that can be choose to define the personalized Joint Master Degree study plan.

To obtain the degree, it is necessary to complete 30 ECTS at one of the five universities where the program is accredited:

- University of Salamanca (Spain)
- University of Coimbra (Portugal)
- University of Iași (Romania)
- University of Pavia (Italy)
- University of Poitiers (France)

At other universities, students may participate in Erasmus mobility:

- University of Jena (Germany)
- University of Turku (Finland)

The two curricula are articulated as shown below:

➤ **Healthcare track curriculum**

First Semester	Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi
Second Semester	University of Salamanca
Third Semester	University of Pavia
Fourth Semester	One of the partner University

➤ **Welfare track curriculum**

First Semester	Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi
Second Semester	Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi or University of Turku
Third Semester	University of Coimbra or University of Poitiers or University Friedrich Schiller of Jena
Fourth Semester	One of the partner University

The same University can be chosen for a maximum of 2 semesters. At the University of Pavia by national law the number of positions for Non-EU students is 5. Places that are not filled by Non-EU candidates will be filled by EU applicants.

All relevant information about the program, such as admission requirements and procedures, course catalog, mobility, fees, examination and assessment procedures, will be published on the [EC2U website](#) and at each Consortium Institution website. The Degree Programme structure is described in the Programme Handbook available at following link [Lifeline Programme Handbook](#).

2. RECRUITMENT, DEADLINES AND HOW TO APPLY

Candidates may **apply online** through the dedicated portal by [clicking on this link](#) and must follow the instructions below:

- **Attach the required documents listed in paragraph 3 in PDF format.**
- Rank the partner universities in which they would like to attend the second, third, and fourth semesters, based on the selection of the "Welfare" and "Healthcare" curricula; for each semester, they have to indicate two choices, when possible.
- Pay the registration fee of 35 euros.

Accepted applicants will be given their first choice whenever possible. If this is not possible, they will be admitted to their next choice as necessary, to ensure numerical balance in enrollments between the partners. In this case, the applicant will receive a notification with the second option indicated during the application or a third one proposed by the Global Admission Committee, which the applicant is free to refuse. The applicant has the option to reject the Global Admission Committee's proposal, but this will result in definitive exclusion from the program. The applicant will be supported by the Global Admission Committee to design the personalized curriculum taking into consideration the initial preferences. The final number of registrants per partner university will be approved by the Global Admission Board.

The Global Admissions Committee, headed by Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, will oversee the application and admission process and the Global Academic Board will monitor the Program's student recruitment.

Further information will be provided step by step to the admitted candidates via email to the address they provided during the application process.

The rankings of candidates eligible to enroll will be published on the EC2U website and on [University of Pavia website](#). Candidates who are entitled to enrolment must accept or decline the place in accordance with the table on page 1 confirming their interest through the portal: <https://apply.unipv.eu/>.

3. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

EC2U is committed to fair, transparent and consistent admissions practices and procedures.

3.1 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The entry requirements comply with the national legislation of the countries of the partner universities and are the following:

- Candidates of the Degree Program must hold an official degree issued by a Higher Education Institution belonging to a member State of the [European Higher Education Area](#) that entitles access to Master degree programs in any given partner country. Graduates from educational systems outside of the European Higher Education Area may also be admitted if candidates hold an equivalent University degree. In this case, admission will be subjected to verification by the Consortium Institution administrations in compliance with local regulations.
- In order to apply for the Degree Program, candidates should have a **Bachelor degree in one of the following areas**: health and welfare, social and behavioral sciences, psychology and sports, life sciences (biotechnology, biological sciences, pharmacy, medicine) or any other area accepted in the country of the application. All documents submitted (Diploma and Transcript of Records with the average and grades in numbers clearly stated) should be issued by the relevant official body/bodies;
- For enrollment in the Master's programme, the Italian recognized degree is one of the following classes pursuant to Ministerial Decree 270/2004: L-2 Biotechnology, L-13 Biological Sciences, LM-13

Pharmacy and Industrial Pharmacy (including the single-cycle degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technology), LM-41 Medicine and Surgery and corresponding classes pursuant to Ministerial Decree 509/1999. In case of the student does not major in one of the above degrees, the curricular requirements are still considered satisfied if the student has acquired at least:

- 10 ECTS in mathematics, physics, computer science and statistics (Italian disciplinary areas: from FIS/01 to FIS/08, from MAT/01 to MAT/09, INF/01, MED/01, SECS-S/01, SECS-S/02);
 - 10 ECTS in the chemical and biological areas (Italian scientific areas: CHIM/01, CHIM/02, CHIM/03, CHIM/06, BIO/01, BIO/10, BIO/11, BIO/13, BIO/17, BIO/18, BIO/19);
 - 20 ECTS in the biotechnology area (Italian scientific areas: from BIO/01 to BIO/07, from BIO/12 to BIO/19, from CHIM/01 to CHIM/05, from CHIM/08 to CHIM/11, MED/03, MED/04, MED/05, MED/07, MED/09, MED/13, MED/15, MED/42).
- **English Language certification** (see accepted certificates in [Annex I: English Accepted Certificates](#)): **B2 level**, defined according the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), is required, except for an applicant with a previous university degree (Bachelor, Master or Doctorate) delivered in English. Applicants must provide evidence of attaining B2 Level before confirmation of offer and enrolment.

Once the call expires, the leading Institution, University Alexandru Ioan Cuza of Iasi is responsible for the administrative eligibility check of the received applications. All eligible applications will be evaluated jointly by the Global Admission Committee, composed of the reference professors from the universities involved in the curriculum of interest.

3.2 SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE

Admission to the programme is selective. The number of available seats for the a.y. 2024/25 is stated at page 1. The candidates will be ranked on a scale of 100 points. The selection criteria will be assessed based on:

- Transcript of Records
- Motivational Interview

The criteria include four categories:

- ✓ *Academic Excellence (50 points)*
Points for academic excellence are based on the ECTS weighted average of the exam grades reported in the transcript of records that student provides at the time of application. If the applicant has more than one previous degree, the Global Admission Committee will consider the highest level or in case of equal level, the first one listed by the applicant.
- ✓ *Motivational Interview (50 points)*
Candidates possessing the entry requirements listed in the 3.1 section receive an email confirming their eligibility and the invitation to take an online interview with minimum two representatives of the Global Admission Committee. During the interview the Global Committee assesses the candidates' motivation, English proficiency and basic scientific knowledge, depending on the track they are applying for. The interview is led within the dates indicated in the table on page 1. Candidates must verify that their audio-video connections are working well, and the Committee must be able to see candidates' faces and hear answers clearly. If these requirements are not met, the interview will be terminated and will not be rescheduled.

4. RANKING LIST

For each track the ranking, based on the criteria listed above, will be published according to the different call as indicated on page 1.

Candidates considered eligible by the Committee will be placed on the ranking list based on their score. The eligible candidates will be admitted according to the ranking and depending on the number of available seats. In the event of a withdrawal, the candidate in the next position on the ranking list will be contacted to start the enrollment procedure within the registration period indicated on page 1.

The preferences expressed in the application will be considered by the Committee that will reserve the right to make the final decisions, also considering the homogeneity of the distribution of students among the partner institutions of the EC2U consortium.

The admitted student list will be published in an anonymized form for transparency.

The applicant will receive an email notification from the office in charge, with one of the following options:

- Admitted
- Waiting listed
- Non-admitted

The applicant must accept the offer of admission according to modalities and deadlines specified in the email received, otherwise any right to enroll will be lost.

Unadmitted applicants will have the opportunity to make an appeal to the Global Admission Committee within 5 days from the publication of the ranking. Information on how to proceed will be provided by email.

For any aspect of admissions not regulated in this document, the Global Admission Committee will be responsible for establishing any further provision.

5. ENROLLMENT

The candidates that have passed the selection for the admission will be enrolled to all the Universities chosen in the study plan where the Master Degree is accredited.

The EC2U student fees are paid for each semester to the University where the student is attending 30 ECTS, following the local regulation.

The university contribution must be paid to the different Universities according to instructions provided to each admitted student during the enrollment process.

6. PROCEDURES TO APPLY AND ENROLL FOLLOWING A TRANSFER OR A SECOND-DEGREE

Candidates asking for a transfer from other master's degrees or for enrollment to a second degree will have to submit the online application for an evaluation as described in Section 2 and pass with a positive mark the selection phase according to the rules reported in Section 3. The Global Admission Committee will evaluate the student's previous academic career in order to assess a recognition of academic curriculum and proceed with enrollment at first or second year as described in Section 5.

The applicant should specify this request during the application procedure.

REGULATORY REFERENCES

- **Ministerial Decree October 22, 2004, n. 270** "Changes to the regulation concerning the teaching autonomy of Italian universities", approved by Ministry of University and Scientific & Technological Research's decree of November 3, 1999 n. 509;
- **MINISTERIAL DECREES MARCH 16, 2007** redefining the classes of degree courses of first and second cycles, as set by Ministerial Decree 2004, n. 270;
- **D.M. No. 1154 of October 14, 2021**, on "Self-assessment, evaluation, initial and periodic accreditation of locations and study programs";
- **D.M. No. 96 of June 6, 2023** "Regulation concerning amendments to the regulation on the academic autonomy of universities, approved by Ministerial Decree October 22, 2004, No. 270, of the Minister of Education, Universities, and Research";
- **D.M. No. 1649 of December 19, 2023** (Determination of the classes of master's degrees);
- **Law August 2, 1999 n. 264** (provisions concerning university access) art. 2 comma 1, letter a);
- **Resolutions of the Academic Senate of October 18, 2021 and Administration Council of October 29, 2021** approving the inter-university agreement entitled: "Supplement n°4 to EC2U Consortium agreement: Establishment of a Joint Master Programme of Lifelong well-being and healthy ageing";
- **Resolution of the Academic Senate of November 18, 2024, and the Administration Council of November 26, 2024** (programmed local access courses for the academic year 2025-2026 as defined by Art. 2, paragraph 1, letters a) and b) of Law August 2, 1999, No. 264);

- **Ministry procedures** for the “entry, residency and enrollment of international students and the respective recognition of qualifications for higher education courses in Italy”.

Information pursuant to art. 13 of the EU Regulation 2016/679 2003 ("Code regarding the protection of personal data")

The information provided by candidates will be processed by the University of Pavia in the interests of the institutional purposes of the University, for the provision of specific services requested by users, as well as for the fulfillment of the requirements of the law. Processing is normally performed by means of IT and informatic tools with the aim of storing and managing the data; in some phases this can be done on paper and, in any case, in such a way as to guarantee security and protect the confidentiality of the party concerned. The provision of personal details is therefore mandatory; the penalty for not providing them is exclusion from selection on the basis of qualifications. In compliance with current legislation, the personal details of users may become known to, and processed by personnel who are specifically in charge of processing. Candidates enjoy the rights provided for by art. 7 of the aforementioned Code, which include access to their personal details, and the rectification, updating, integration and cancellation, etc of them, as well the opposing of the use of data other than the aforementioned institutional data. These rights may be claimed against the Chancellor of the University of Pavia, the person responsible for the treatment of personal data. For any information not specifically provided in the present document, readers are referred to current legislation. The person responsible for the administrative procedures, pursuant to art. 4 of Law n. 241, 7 August 1990, as amended by Law 15/2005, is Dr. Matteo Bonabello.

The applicant takes responsibility for viewing and reading this Notice and fully complying with its provisions. No derogations or exceptions arising from erroneous interpretations of this Notice are allowed.

For more information please contact admission@unipv.it

Pavia, protocol date

THE CHANCELLOR

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