AREA INTERNAZIONALIZZAZIONE – SERVIZIO MOBILITA’ INCOMING E OUTGOING

Emanazione “Bando di concorso per borse di studio per studenti internazionali in possesso di una qualifica straniera ottenuta presso un’Università con sede estera che si immatricolano per la prima volta ad un Corso di Laurea Magistrale del Politecnico nell’a.a. 2021/2022”

La Direttrice Generale

- Visto il Decreto legislativo 14/03/2013, n. 33, recante “Riordino della disciplina riguardante gli obblighi di pubblicità, trasparenza e diffusione di informazioni da parte delle pubbliche amministrazioni”;
- Considerata la Legge 6/11/2012, n. 190, recante “Disposizioni per la prevenzione e la repressione della corruzione e dell’illegalità nella pubblica amministrazione”;
- Visto lo Statuto del Politecnico di Torino emanato con emanato con D.R. 774 del 17 luglio 2019;
- Tenuto conto che il Piano Strategico 2018-2024 “PoliTO 4 Impact” pone tra gli obiettivi quello di avere una percentuale di studenti stranieri elevata (>15%), ma con maggiore attenzione alla loro qualità e al loro potenziale impatto sul tessuto economico italiano e sulle relazioni con i Paesi di origine;
- Considerato che nel perseguire tale obiettivo l’Ateneo si impegna ad attrarre studenti meritevoli da tutto il territorio nazionale e dal resto del mondo, valorizzando il talento, anche attraverso una più attenta selezione mirata a facilitarne l’integrazione nei percorsi formativi limitando situazioni di disagio e difficoltà di inserimento;
- Visto che per rendere operativa questa azione nei confronti degli studenti internazionali, l’Ateneo ha avviato il progetto “TOPoliTO: attracting international Top students at the Politecnico di Torino” che intende rafforzare la promozione dell’Ateneo all’estero allo scopo di orientare e selezionare i giovani che chiedono di iscriversi al nostro Ateneo;
- Tenuto conto che una delle linee di azione (linea 2) in cui si articola il suddetto Progetto prevede l’orientamento, la selezione e la valorizzazione degli studenti internazionali, con individuazione delle aree geografiche di maggiore interesse (Asia e Sud-Est Asiatico, America Latina, Nord Africa e medio Oriente);
- Visto che il Consiglio di Amministrazione nella seduta del 22 dicembre 2020, approvando il bilancio di previsione 2021, ha stanziato i fondi finalizzati a supportare le azioni di promozione internazionale tra cui 10 nuove borse di studio biennali destinate ai migliori studenti selezionati per l’accesso ai Corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell’a.a. 2021/2022;
- Tenuto conto che la Commissione Mobilità Internazionale, nella seduta del 25 Gennaio 2019, ha definito i seguenti criteri, relativamente alle Borse di studio a favore di studenti internazionali in possesso di un diploma di laurea di I livello o di una qualifica straniera equivalente ottenuta presso un’Università con sede estera immatricolati per la prima volta ad un Corso di Laurea Magistrale del Politecnico da applicarsi a partire dall’a.a. 2019/2020:
  - che l’importo di ciascuna borsa sia pari a 8.000 euro/anno (costo ente) per due anni (fatta salva la verifica del mantenimento dei livelli di merito);
  - di avvalersi del GRE® General Test - massimo 5 anni dalla scadenza del bando - quale parametro utile ad individuare le soglie minime di qualificazione in possesso dei candidati per l’accesso alla selezione e la formulazione delle graduatorie dei candidati, indicando altresì gli specifici parametri di seguito indicati:
    - Verbal Reasoning: 156/170;
- Quantitative Reasoning: 157/170;
- Analytical Writing: 3,5/6.

Tenuto conto che la Commissione Mobilità Internazionale, nella seduta del 26 Marzo 2021, ha deciso di:
- riconoscere come valido per l’accesso alla selezione anche il GRE® General Test @home;
- ripartire le 10 borse di studio disponibili con equa e proporzionata distribuzione tra le aree formative in n. 6 per gli studenti iscritti ai corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell’area dell’Ingegneria e n. 4 per gli studenti iscritti ai corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell’area dell’Architettura.

DETERMINA

l’emanazione del Bando di concorso per borse di studio per studenti internazionali in possesso di una qualifica straniera ottenuta presso un’Università con sede estera che si immatricolano per la prima volta ad un Corso di Laurea Magistrale del Politecnico nell’a.a. 2021/2022, allegato alla presente Determina.

Torino,

LA DIRETTRICE GENERALE
Ilaria Adamo

EA/BB
TOPoliTO Scholarships – Master of Science programs
Announcement of selection for international students
who will enroll in the 2021/22 academic year

Introduction

The Politecnico di Torino supports “TOPoliTO: attracting top students at the Politecnico di Torino” project aims to recruit high-quality international students to undergraduate and graduate degree courses offered by Politecnico di Torino. The presence of a relevant number of international talented students in the university is a cultural value for the institution and an opportunity for the region and its economic system.

Within this project, scholarships are awarded to international students who meet the application requirements in art. 2 below and who will enroll for the first time in A.Y. 2021/22 as full-time student in a Master of Science program (2nd level cycle - Laurea Magistrale) of Politecnico di Torino.

1. Amount, number and duration of the scholarships

The Gross Amount of the scholarship is 8,000 € per year for the 2 years of the program. The amount gross of all charges for the beneficiary account is 7,373,27 € per year.\(^3\)

The awarding of 8,000 € for the second year is subject to the achievement of academic merit requirements (art. 9).

The project will award 10 scholarships distributed as follows:

- 6 scholarships to students enrolled in Engineering field programs;
- 4 scholarships to students enrolled in Architecture field programs.

The scholarship covers the two years of the Master of Science program for A.Y. 2021/22 and 2022/23.

2. Requirements to apply and incompatibility

Requirements to apply
Application is open to international students who, in spite of the citizenship, meet the following requirements:

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1. “International students” are those whose qualification for admission to Master of Science programs were obtained outside Italy
2. See course catalogue: [https://didattica.polito.it/offerta/index_en.html](https://didattica.polito.it/offerta/index_en.html)
3. N.B.: being a taxed scholarship, the net amount will depend upon individual tax conditions.
• have a Bachelor Degree or an equivalent academic qualification in a foreign education system, outside Italy, providing access to a postgraduate degree program. Students with “equivalent academic qualification” are those enrolled in a foreign university in 5 or 6-year - i.e. single cycle degree combined Bachelor and Master program - who have not graduated yet but meet the minimum requirement of 15 years of global schooling (minimum 3 years at University level) and have acquired at least 180 ECTS credits or equivalent (pre-university or preparatory years are not counted in the achieved credits or years);

• hold a valid GRE® General Test or GRE® General at home:\n  ▶ obtained not earlier than 5 years before this TOPoliTO scholarship application deadline
  ▶ successfully passed in all three sections with the following minimum scores:
    • Verbal Reasoning: 156/170
    • Quantitative Reasoning: 157/170
    • Analytical Writing: 3,5/6

In case the GRE test has been taken more than once, the highest score for each section will be considered.

• fulfill the access requirements for admission to Master Degree Program of Politecnico di Torino (https://international.polito.it/admission/prospective_students/master_of_science/2021_22) and have been admitted to a Master Degree program in the A.Y. 2021/22

Incompatibility

It is not possible to apply for scholarships for students who:

• have been legally resident or temporary domiciled in Italy for any period in the last 5 years from the publication of this call with the exception of applicants who attended Italian language and culture courses or a Foundation course in an Italian University or private language schools located in Italy;

• have been enrolled, before the 2021/22 academic year, in any First (Bachelor of Science), Second (Master of Science), Third (PhD) Cycle Degree programs or Specializing Master in an Italian university located abroad or in Italy or in a foreign University located in Italy;

• already hold a foreign Second or Third Cycle Degree in Engineering or Architecture;

• obtained a First Cycle degree in the frame of Double or Joint Degree projects between Politecnico di Torino -or any other Italian University- and their home institution;

• are part of any Double or Joint Degree project as an incoming student attending a Master of Science program at Politecnico;

• are the recipient of any other Italian5 or foreign scholarships at the time of the assignment of the scholarship and for the whole duration of TOPoliTO scholarship.

4 More info: http://www.ets.org/

5 Including, for example, scholarships of: Regional Agency for the Right to Education of Piedmont-EDISU; Alta Scuola Politecnica –ASP; Invest your Talent; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation-MAECI; Scholarships reserved for Refugee students by the Ministry of the Interior and the Conference of Italian University Rectors -CRUI in cooperation with National Association of Regional Agencies for the Right to Education-ANDISU, etc.
N.B. As TOPoliTO scholarship cannot be combined with any other financial aid provided by any public or private Italian or foreign Institution, in case a beneficiary has been awarded with more than one scholarship, he/she must withdraw from the other scholarship.

- have obtained a credit recognition higher than 20 credits at Politecnico di Torino (see art. 10).

### 3. How to apply and deadlines

Application can be submitted only by students who have been admitted to a Master of Science program of Politecnico di Torino for A.Y. 2021/22.

The procedure for applying for the scholarships is explained below:

- log-in in the on-line application form (Apply@polito)
- in the same order as explained below:
  1. flag the option “I wish to apply to TOPoliTO scholarships Master of Science programs A.Y. 2021/22” under the “Research and Academic scholarships” section
  2. complete the fields with GRE General Test score or GRE®General at home under the “GRE” section
  3. upload a copy of the “Examinee Score Report” of GRE General Test or GRE®General at home in the “Attachments” section
  4. submit the application under the “Save and Submit” section of you application

PLEASE NOTE: GRE Graduate Institution Score Report must be sent to Politecnico di Torino directly by the examination centre, as the university is an accredited ETS centre (select the code 6994). In case the GRE Test has already been taken, it is necessary to add the code 6994 via the ETS website. The request for sending the Graduate Institution Score Report must be done within TOPoliTO calls deadlines. Politecnico is not responsible for any communication delays by ETS.

**Deadline for applying and uploading GRE score report: June 29th, 2021**

### 4. Assignment requirements

Applicants selection will be based on admission to one of the Master of Science programs of the Politecnico di Torino for the Academic Year 2021/22 and on the basis of the GRE General Test/ GRE®General at home.

For each admitted applicant a general score will be calculated on the basis of the GRE General Test/ GRE®General at home results (all sections included). For the minimum score required see art. 2 “Application requirements and incompatibility”.

In particular the general score will be calculated as follows:

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6 Deadlines for selection outcomes in Master of Science programs A.Y. 2021/22: https://didattica.polito.it/infe/en/apply_msc_dead
Verbal Reasoning: score obtained/170
Quantitative Reasoning: score obtained/170
Analytical Writing: score obtained/6

The final score will be obtained by summing up each result.

Example:
Verbal Reasoning: 160/170=0.94
Quantitative Reasoning: 158/170=0.92
Analytical Writing: 4/6=0.66
General score: 0.94+0.92+0.66=2.52

5. Assignment procedure

Two separate list of standings (Engineering and Architecture) with students matching all requirements indicated in art. 2 will be drawn up based on the scores resulting from the calculation as explained in art. 4, scores will be ordered from the highest score, in descending order.
Assignments will be based on the number of scholarships available on each call.

In case of equal scores, the result obtained in each section of the GRE General Test/ GRE®General at home shall prevail, considered in the following order:
1. Quantitative Reasoning
2. Verbal Reasoning
3. Analytical Writing

In case of a further equal score, preference will be given to the youngest candidate.

If scholarships distribution for Engineering and Architecture (art. 1 above) is not awarded, Politecnico di Torino reserves the right to reassign the remaining scholarships to students who are TOPoliTO eligible, but not winners, in the other lists of standings equitably balancing their distribution or in other future TOPoliTO calls.

6. Publication of list of standings

Lists of standings with eligible applicants for Engineering and Architecture will be published as follows:

- 06/07/2021: publication of 1st provisional list of standings with eligible and not eligible students
- 13/07/2021: publication of final list of standings with scholarship assignment
- 20/07/2021: deadline for the acceptance of the scholarships by the winner students
- 23/07/2021: publication of update final list of standings upon reassignment in case of withdrawal of winners.
The lists of standings will be published to the online Official Register of the Politecnico di Torino (https://www.swas.polito.it/dotnet/albo_online/) and on the TOPoliTO project website.

The publication of the lists of standings in the online Official Register of the Politecnico di Torino and in the TOPoliTO project website is, for all intents and purposes, the only official notification of scholarship awarding. Politecnico di Torino assumes no responsibility for the applicant's failure to view the standings and/or to accept the scholarship according to the terms published in the online Official Register of the Politecnico and in the TOPoliTO project website.

7. Scholarship acceptance

Assigned students will have to officially accept the scholarship according to the procedures that will be sent to them by e-mail and within the deadlines indicated in art. 6, under penalty of loss of the scholarship itself.

This e-mail will summarize the terms for the acceptance of the scholarship. Nevertheless, this message does not constitute an official communication of the outcome of the selection.

By accepting the scholarship, eligible students will state their full acceptance of the conditions laid down in the call for applications, and declare, under their own full responsibility, that they do not fall within any of the conditions of incompatibility laid down in art. 2 of this call for applications. They shall also commit to notify the university of any variation in the declared information which may arise during the year.

8. Payment of the scholarship

The scholarship is finally assigned and paid only:

- after enrolment\(^7\) for the first time in a Master of Science program of Politecnico di Torino in the first semester A.Y. 2021/22, as a full time student
- after student arrival in Torino

In particular, payment of the scholarship is subordinate to:

- the possession of the admission requirements and relevant documentation for enrollment for A.Y. 2021/22\(^8\). In case of “provisional enrollment”, scholarships will be paid only after the submission of the required documentation;
- the possession of the maintenance requirements explained in art. 9

If the student does not complete all the enrolment procedures, for any reason, he/she will lose the right to the scholarship.

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\(^7\) Procedures and Deadlines to enroll will be published in the main page of the on-line application apply@polito.it and here https://international.polito.it/admission/prospective_students/master_of_science/2021_22

\(^8\) https://international.polito.it/admission/prospective_students/master_of_science/2021_22
Payment of the scholarship will occur in **monthly installments, after enrollment**, covering the academic year (October 2021- September 2022) as follows:

- 1st payment period: October 2021- March 2022;
- if scholarship is maintained for 1st year (see art. 9): April 2022-September 2022;
- if scholarship maintained for second year (see art. 9): October 2022-September 2023

The payment of the instalments of the scholarship will start **only after student arrival in Torino** and **after completion of enrollment procedures**.

In order to receive the payment, scholarship recipients will be required to **open a bank account in their name in an Italian bank or post office**.

### 9. Requirements to maintain the scholarship

In order to **maintain the scholarship** for second year of the Master of Science program scholarship recipients will have to meet the following requirements:

1) **have a satisfactory academic performance** level, in particular

   - at least 1 exam passed in the first semester exam session of January/February 2022. Passed exam must be registered on the student personal page **within March 31st, 2022**
   - 40 credits (CFU) within the exam session of **September 2022**

   Please note that the following credits/exams will not be considered in the minimum number of achieved credits/exams:

   - extra curricula or recognized credits (i.e. exams passed in a previous university career)
   - credits related to language exams or recognized language certification even if taken in Politecnico di Torino

2) **register as a full time student in the second year in the a. y. 2022/23 of the same Master of Science program of first enrollment** (internal transfer to another program or suspension of studies is not compatible with the maintenance of the scholarship)

3) **not having been assigned any other Italian or foreign scholarships** (including scholarships of the Regional Agency for the Right to Education of Piedmont –EDISU, MAECI, etc.)

   **In case in which one or more of these requirements are not met, payment of the scholarships will be immediately and definitely stopped.**

Scholarships have a maximum duration of two (2) continuous years, after which the student will be responsible for his/her expenses until graduation, as well as tuition and any other fees. The amount of the scholarship will not be increased in case the student needs more time to graduate than indicated.
10. Other important information

Scholarship recipients control: TOPoliTO scholarship cannot be combined with any other financial aid provided by any public or private Italian or foreign Institution. In case of failure to declare or false declaration, he/she will forfeit the right to the study grant, will have to refund the amount of scholarship received and will be subjected to disciplinary procedure.

Credit recognition: scholarship recipients enrolled in a Master of Science program can accept a maximum of 20 recognized credits to maintain the scholarship. In case a wider recognition of credits is possible, assigned students will be asked to choose whether to accept it or the scholarship.

Outgoing mobility: TOPoliTO scholarship recipients can apply to outbound activities in the frame of the mobility calls. Nevertheless, due to the impossibility to be the recipients of other scholarships, the only financial support for the outgoing mobility will be TOPoliTO scholarship.

ASP-Alta Scuola Politecnica scholarship: TOPoliTO scholarship recipients can apply to ASP. Nevertheless, due to the impossibility to be the recipients of other scholarships, the only financial support for the ASP activities will be TOPoliTO scholarship.

Costs not covered by the scholarship: TOPoliTO scholarships do not include tuition fees, travel and accommodation costs, which are thus totally at the expense of the student.

11. Official in charge of the administrative procedure

According to art. 5 of Italian Law n. 241 of 07/08/1990, the official in charge of the administrative procedure concerning this call for application is Francesca Brazzani responsabile.mobilita@polito.it.

12. Contacts

International Affairs Department - Incoming Mobility Office: topolito.grants@polito.it

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9 For further information see: https://international.polito.it/admission/prospective_students/credit_transfer
10 https://didattica.polito.it/outgoing/it
11 http://www.asp-polito.it/
13. Processing Personal Data

Applicants’ personal data will be managed as stipulated by the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 679/2016 and according to the guidelines published at http://didattica.polito.it/privacy/index_en.html exclusively used for selection and enrolment purposes. All anonymous data may be used in statistical elaboration processes.

The data will be processed using electronic method.

The Administration reserves the right to verify the truth of the information provided. Without prejudice to the penal sanctions of article 76 of Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, in the event of fraudulent information being discovered as a result of such verification the applicant will forfeit the right to the study grant.