

Direzione Studenti, Didattica e Internazionalizzazione

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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. 2023/24

#### LA DIRIGENTE

- Visto il D.M. n. 270 del 22 ottobre 2004, "Modifiche al Regolamento recante norme concernenti l'autonomia didattica degli Atenei";
- 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 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", così come modificato dal D.Lgs n. 97 del 25 maggio 2016;
- Visto lo Statuto del Politecnico di Torino vigente;
- Visto il Regolamento Didattico di Ateneo vigente;
- 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, valorizzandone 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 anche attraverso l'attribuzione di borse di studio attraverso specifici Bandi;
- Tenuto conto che i criteri per l'assegnazione delle Borse di studio sono stati definiti dalla Commissione Mobilità Internazionale nelle sedute del 25 gennaio 2019 e del 26 marzo 2021;
- Visto che il Consiglio di Amministrazione, nella seduta del 6 dicembre 2022, ha approvato il bilancio di previsione 2023 e che, in tale budget, i fondi per le borse TOPoliTO risultano coperti da fondi provenienti da iniziative progettuali consentendo l'attribuzione di n. 8 borse di studio a favore di studenti immatricolati a corsi di I livello e n. 8 borse di studio a studenti immatricolati a Corsi di Il livello;
- Tenuto conto che la Commissione Mobilità Internazionale, nella seduta dell'8 novembre 2022, confermando come requisito di candidatura sulla LM il possesso della certificazione GRE®General test o GRE®General at home ottenuta non prima di 5 anni dalla scadenza del



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bando TOPoliTO e i punteggi minimi sopraccitati, ha deciso di ripartire le 8 borse di studio disponibili con equa e proporzionata distribuzione tra le aree formative come segue:

- o n. 5 borse per gli studenti iscritti ai corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell'area dell'Ingegneria
- o n. 3 borse per gli studenti iscritti ai corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell'area dell'Architettura;
- Tenuto conto che la Commissione Mobilità Internazionale, nella seduta del 15 maggio 2023, ha approvato la pubblicazione del bando per l'erogazione delle borse di studio per studenti con titolo estero con costi – pari a 320.000€ (da utilizzarsi negli 2023-2024-2025- 2026) – a valere sui fondi di Ateneo:
  - Laurea Magistrale: 5 borse area dell'Ingegneria e 3 borse area dell'Architettura;
  - Laurea: 4 borse area dell'Ingegneria, 2 borse Architettura, 1 borsa Design e 1 Pianificazione

#### **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. 2023/24, allegato alla presente Determina. I relativi costi saranno coperti a valere sul progetto Uzbekistan 01\_INTE.UZBEKISTAN

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# **TOPoliTO Scholarships**

Master of Science programs

Selection for international students
enrolling in the 2023/24 academic year





#### INTRODUCTION

The Politecnico di Torino supports "TOPoliTO: attracting top students at the Politecnico di Torino" project aimed at recruiting high-quality international students for its undergraduate and graduate degree courses. The presence of a relevant number of talented international students in the university is a cultural value for the institution and for the region and its economic system.

Within this project, **scholarships** are awarded to **international students**<sup>1</sup> who **meet the application requirements** in **art. 2 below** and who will **enroll** as **full-time student** in a **Master of Science program** <sup>2</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> level cycle - *Laurea Magistrale*) for the first time in A.Y. 2023/24 of Politecnico di Torino.

### Art. 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 is 7.373,27 € per year.<sup>3</sup>

The awarding of the scholarship  $(8.000 \in)$  for the second year is subject to the achievement of academic merit requirements (art. 8).

The project will award **8 scholarships** distributed as follows:

- > 5 scholarships to students enrolled in Engineering field programs;
- > 3 scholarships to students enrolled in Architecture field programs.

The scholarship covers the two years of the Master of Science program for A.Y. 2023/24 and 2024/25.

# Art. 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:

1 "International students" are those whose qualification for admission to Master of Science programs were obtained outside Italy

<sup>2</sup> See course catalogue: https://www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes

<sup>3</sup> N.B.: being a taxed scholarship, the net amount will depend upon individual tax conditions.





- 1. 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);
- 2. hold a valid GRE®General Test or GRE®General at home4:
  - ▶ obtained **not earlier than 5 years before the application deadline** indicated in this call:
  - 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.

N.B. GRE Graduate Institution Score Report **must be uploaded in the PoliTO online application form** <u>AND</u> sent to Politecnico di Torino directly by the ETS examination centre within application deadline (see art. 3). Applicants whose GRE is not sent within this deadline are subject to exclusion.

3. **fulfill the access requirements** to be admitted to Master Degree Program of Politecnico di Torino <sup>5</sup> and **have been admitted to a Master Degree program in the A.Y. 2023/24** 

#### Incompatibility

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

have been legally resident or temporary domiciled in Italy/Republic of San Marino 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;

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<sup>4</sup> More info: <a href="http://www.ets.org/">http://www.ets.org/</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Admission requirements for a.y. 2023/24:





- have been enrolled, before the 2023/24 academic year, in any Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, PhD 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 Master of Science or PhD Degree in Engineering or Architecture;
- > obtained a Bachelor 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 or regular student attending a Master of Science program at Politecnico di Torino;
- are the recipient of any other Italian<sup>6</sup> or foreign scholarships at the time of the application or at the time of the publication of the awarding of the scholarships or during TOPoliTO scholarship assignment (A.Ys. 2023/24 and, if maintained, 2024/25); PLEASE NOTE: As TOPoliTO scholarships 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/aid, he/she must choose which one he/she will keep or decline;
- > have obtained a **credit recognition higher than 20 credits** at Politecnico di Torino (see art. 10).

# Art. 3 – How to apply and deadlines



Application can be submitted <u>only</u> by **students who have been admitted to a Master of Science program of Politecnico di Torino for A.Y. 2023/24<sup>7</sup>

<b>DEADLINE TO APPLY:** from the publication of this call **until July14<sup>th</sup> 2023** 



In order **to apply**, it is necessary to **tick** the option "I wish to apply to TOPoliTO scholarships to enroll to Master of Science programs in the A.Y. 2023/24" under the "Research and Academic scholarships" section of the <u>Apply@polito</u> platform.

The procedure for applying for the scholarships is:

- > log-in in the on-line application form (Apply@polito)
- > in the same order as explained below:

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>7</sup> Deadlines for selection outcomes in Master of Science programs: https://didattica.polito.it/inte/en/apply\_msc\_dead





- tick the option "I wish to apply to TOPoliTO scholarships Master of Science programs A.Y. 2023/24" 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 under "Other";
- 4. **submit the application** under the "Save and Submit" section of your application.

**PLEASE NOTE:** GRE Graduate Institution Score Report must be uploaded in the PoliTO online application form <u>AND</u> sent to Politecnico di Torino directly by the ETS examination centre here https://www.ets.org/gre/revised\_general/scores (select the code 6994) within the application deadline.

In case the GRE Test has already been taken, it is necessary to add the code 6994 via the ETS website. Politecnico is not responsible for any communication delays by ETS.

## Art. 4 – Scholarship awarding procedure

Applicants' selection will be based on **admission** to one of the Master of Science programs of the Politecnico di Torino for the Academic Year 2023/24 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:

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= <b>2,52</b>

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 above. Scores will be ordered from the highest score, in descending order.

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.

# Art. 5 – Publication of the lists of standings

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

21/07/2023	publication of 1st provisional list of standings with eligible student		
	subject to verification and not eligible students		
28/07/2023	Deadline for appeals to provisional ranking list		
29/08/2023	publication of <b>final list of standings</b> with <b>scholarship recipients subject</b>		
	to verification		
05/09/2023	deadline for the acceptance of the scholarships by scholarship		
	recipient subject to verification		
12/09/2023	publication of <b>updated final list of standings</b> upon reassignment in		
	case of withdrawal of scholarship recipients.		





Please note that TOPoliTO scholarship recipients are to be considered as "subject to verification" until Politecnico completes the verification process of the requirements and incompatibilities, according to art. 2 of this call, no later than June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Without prejudice to further verification on the conditions for maintaining the scholarship pursuant to art. 8 of this call.

If the verification process reveals that a student does not meet one or more TOPoliTO requirements, his/her scholarship will be revoked with immediate effect and possible retroactivity.

The lists of standings will be published to the online Official Register of the Politecnico di Torino (<a href="https://titulus-polito.cineca.it/albo/">https://titulus-polito.cineca.it/albo/</a>) and on the <a href="https://titulus-polito.cineca.it/albo/">TOPOliTO project website</a>.

The publication of the list of standings on the online Official Register of the Politecnico di Torino and on the TOPoliTO project website will be, for all intents and purposes, the only official notification of the lists of selections and, for students with the appropriate qualifications, the only official communication that they have been awarded a scholarship.

Politecnico di Torino cannot be held responsible for the applicant's failure to view the lists of standings and/or to accept the scholarship subject to verification according to the terms published in the online Official Register of the Politecnico di Torino and in the TOPoliTO call.

# Art. 6 – Scholarship acceptance

**Scholarship recipients subject to verification** 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. 5, under penalty of losing the scholarship itself.

The above e-mail will summarize the terms for the acceptance of the scholarship. Nevertheless, the only official communication of the outcome of the selection remains the Official Register of the Politecnico di Torino and on the <u>TOPoliTO project website</u>. By accepting the scholarship, scholarship recipients subject to verification will state their full acceptance of the conditions laid down in the call for applications, and **state**, **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 notifying the university of any variation in the stated information which may arise during the year.

**Communication** with students takes place via the contact details provided by the applicants during their registration on the Apply@polito platform and, as soon as available, via the institutional e-mail account (mailto:smatricola@studenti.polito.it).





## Art. 7 – Payment of the scholarship

The scholarship is **finally awarded and paid** only **after enrollment**<sup>8</sup> as **a full-time student in the A.Y. 2023/24** of a **Master of Science** program for the first time at Politecnico di Torino, and when the condition "subject to verification" is dropped.

Payment of the scholarship is subject to:

- > meeting the requirements listed in art. 2
- > enrollment in a Master of Science program for which the applicant has been awarded a TOPoliTO scholarship "subject to verification"
- meeting the admission requirements and producing relevant documentation for enrollment? Please note that in case of "conditional enrollment", scholarships will be paid only after submitting the required documentation by the student
- > arrival of student in Torino 10
- > fulfill the **maintenance requirements** explained below in art. 8

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

Payment of the scholarship will occur in monthly installments, after completion of enrollment procedures <u>and arrival of student in Torino</u>, covering the academic years 2023/24 and, if maintained, 2024/25 - as follows:

- > 1st payment period: October 2023- March 2024;
- > if scholarship is maintained for 1st year (see art. 8): April 2024-September 2024;
- > if scholarship is maintained for second year (see art. 8): October 2024-September 2025

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 and prove their arrival in Turin<sup>11</sup>.

<sup>8</sup> Procedures and Deadlines to enroll will be published in the main page of the on-line application <u>apply@polito.it</u> and here <u>International Students - 2023/24 (polito.it)</u>

<sup>9</sup> See International Students - 2023/24 (polito.it)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Proof of arrival is the collection of the Smart Card (Digital Identity card for students) at the Registrar Office (Segreteria Studenti). In case smart cards are not available your residence permit application will be considered.

<sup>11</sup> See note 9





If the scholarship recipient, for any reason, does not provide all the documents required and does not complete all the enrollment procedures, **he/she will lose the right to the scholarship**.

## Art. 8 – 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

A.Y.	Exam session	University Credits (CFU) registered
2023/24	January/February 2024*	1 exam
2024/25	September 2024	40 CFU

<sup>\*</sup> Passed exam must be registered on the student personal page by March 31st, 2024

**Please note that** the following credits/exams are not 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. 2024/25 in 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 whereas application for dual enrolment is possible only after the 1° year).
- 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. Under no circumstance can the scholarship be extended if more time is needed to graduate beyond the natural 2-year duration of the program.

#### Art. 9 – Administrative verification

The Administration reserves the right to verify the truth of the information provided at any time.

In particular Politecnico di Torino will verify:

- 1. the admission and compatibility requirements as in art. 2 and 5 within June 28th, 2024:
- 2. the maintenance requirements according to the timelines indicated in art. 8.

All the declarations made during the scholarship assignment process and all the documents attached by applicants may be checked by Politecnico, in compliance with Presidential Decree D.P.R. 445/2000 (Testo Unico delle disposizioni legislative e regolamentari in materia di documentazione amministrativa).

Politecnico di Torino is entitled to ask applicants to come to Politecnico in person and show their original documents to the office front desk at any time. Politecnico will verify the authenticity of the documents by querying official databases (if existing in the country where the qualification has been awarded) or by contacting the competent authorities/institutions.

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 or if a student does not meet one or more requirements (as stated in the Call), the recipient will **forfeit the right to the scholarship at any moment**, and if necessary will have to **refund the amount of the scholarship** received and will be subject to **disciplinary procedure**.

## Art. 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** (see art .9 above).

**Credit recognition**<sup>12</sup>: 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**<sup>13</sup>: 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<sup>14</sup>: 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. Students can however apply for fee reduction.

# Art. 11 – Official in charge of the administrative procedure

The official in charge of the administrative procedure concerning this call for application is Alessandra Berlese: <a href="mailto:topolito.grants@polito.it">topolito.grants@polito.it</a>

#### Art. 12 - Contacts

Recruitment and Admissions Unit: <a href="mailto:topolito.grants@polito.it">topolito.grants@polito.it</a>

<sup>12</sup> For further information see: https://international.polito.it/admission/prospective\_students/credit\_transfer

<sup>13</sup> https://www.polito.it/en/education/applying-studying-graduating/study-abroad

<sup>14</sup> http://www.asp-poli.it/





## Art. 13 – Processing Personal Data

In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679 – GDPR) and with the "Code on the protection of personal data" (D.R. no.196 of 30th June 2003 and further amendments), Politecnico di Torino shall process applicants' personal data exclusively in pursuit of its institutional aims and for the transparency purposes imposed by the law. Personal data shall be processed in accordance with the principles of lawfulness, fairness and data minimization.

The full University policy on the processing of personal data is available at <a href="https://www.polito.it/privacy/informative-privacy">https://www.polito.it/privacy/informative-privacy</a>

Information about Politecnico di Torino processing personal data is available at the following link: <u>Privacy Policies pursuant to art. 13 of the General Data Protection</u> Regulation - Regulation (EU) 2016/679 | Politecnico di Torino (polito.it).