Emanazione Bando per l’assegnazione di 14 borse di studio destinate a studenti con cittadinanza afghana per l’immatricolazione a corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell’a.a. 2024/2025

IL RETTORE

Visto il D.M. n. 270 del 22/10/2004, “Modifiche al Regolamento recante norme concernenti l’autonomia didattica degli Atenei” e s.m.i;

Considerata la Legge 6/11/2012, n. 190, recante “Disposizioni per la prevenzione e la repressione della corruzione e dell’illegalità nella pubblica amministrazione” e s.m.i;

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” e s.m.i;

Richiamato lo Statuto del Politecnico di Torino emanato con D.R. n. 774 del 07/07/2019; Richiamato il Regolamento Didattico di Ateneo, emanato con D.R. n. 1211 del 27 novembre 2023;

Richiamati gli obiettivi del Piano Strategico di Ateneo 2018-2024 e, in modo particolare:

- l’obiettivo 2 della Prima Missione - didattica “creare le condizioni affinché il Politecnico di Torino possa continuare ad 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” e l’obiettivo 3 “creare le condizioni affinché il Politecnico di Torino possa risultare attratto per studenti provenienti da un numero crescente di Paesi, anche dell’Occidente del mondo, oltre a quelli provenienti dai partner internazionali di attuale riferimento”;

Richiamato il D.R. 194 del 06/03/2024 con il quale sono state definite le linee di progettualità sul Legato Pratt in favore degli studenti provenienti dall’Afghanistan;
Richiamato il D.R. 687 del 19/06/2024 nel quale è stata rettificata la ripartizione temporale circa l’utilizzo delle risorse oggetto del legato Pratt, anticipandone l’assegnazione all’a.a. 2024/25;

DECRETA

Art. 1 - L’emanazione del Bando per l’assegnazione di 14 borse di studio destinate a studenti con cittadinanza afghana per l’immatricolazione a corsi di Laurea Magistrale nell’a.a. 2024/2025.

n. Allegati: 1 (Bando)
Politecnico di Torino

Call for applications for 14 scholarships for Afghan nationals enrolling in a Master of Science Program for the Academic Year 2024-2025
INTRODUCTION
The Politecnico di Torino aims at recruiting high-quality international students for its 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.
This call aims in particular at supporting Afghan students with scholarships that will be awarded in the name of Mrs. Josephine Teresa Pratt and in honor of her husband Ing. Silvano Zorzi, who left a legacy for this specific purpose.
Scholarships will be awarded to Afghan students who meet the admission requirements in art. 1 below and who will enroll as full-time student in a Master of Science program (2nd level cycle - Laurea Magistrale) for the first time in A.Y. 2024/25 of Politecnico di Torino.

Art. 1. – Admission requirements
The benefits are intended for students who:
- have the Afghan citizenship;
- 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);
- have been admitted to a Master Degree program of Politecnico di Torino in the A.Y. 2024/25;
- have never been enrolled in a Degree Program at Politecnico or at any other Italian University and have never started the related academic career;

Art. 2. - Supports and benefits offered to the winners
2.1 - Amount, number and duration of the scholarships
Politecnico di Torino will support winners with 14 scholarships supported by a legacy in the name of Mrs. Josephine Teresa Pratt and in honor of her husband Ing. Silvano Zorzi.

The Gross Amount of the scholarship is 8,000 € per year for the 2 years of the Master of Science program. The net amount should be around 7,373,27 € per academic year, depending on individual tax conditions.
The awarding of the scholarship for the second year is subject to the achievement of academic merit requirements (art. 6).

**2.2 – Other benefits**

Beneficiaries of the scholarship will benefit of the following services:
- exemption from Politecnico tuition fees for a.y. 2024/25 and 2025/26 (only in case of candidates with refugee status);
- bureaucratic assistance in the application for the Italian residence permit provided by Politecnico Immigration Desk.

**Art. 3 – Incompatibilities**

The study grants cannot be combined with:
- other merit-based study grants/prizes issued by the Politecnico di Torino for the support of international students such as Unicore;
- study grants issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI);
- scholarships offered by the Conference of Italian University Rectors - CRUI in favor of international protection holders;
- study grants issued by foreign governmental bodies or institutions aimed at assisting the enrolment of international students at Italian Universities;
- scholarships offered by Ente Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario (EDISU Piemonte).

**Art. 4 – How to apply and deadlines**

Applications can be submitted only by students who have been admitted to a Master of Science program of Politecnico di Torino for A.Y. 2024/25.

**DEADLINE TO APPLY:** from the publication of this call until 16/07/2024.

In order to apply, it is necessary to tick the option “I wish to apply to scholarships for Afghan students to enroll to Master of Science programs in the A.Y. 2024/25” under the MAIN section of the Apply@polito platform.

The procedure for applying for the scholarships is:
1. log-in in the on-line application form (Apply@polito)
2. in the same order as explained below:
Art. 5 – Selection process and scholarship assignment
The 14 scholarships will be awarded to candidates who have the admission requirements (see art. 1) and have applied within the deadline as specified in art. 4. If the number of applicants is higher than 14 priority will be given to Afghan students who have been recognized the refugee status in Italy; scholarship who are left will be awarded to other Afghan students according to a ranking list based on the GPA (Grade Point Average) achieved in the previous academic career of each candidate. The GPA will be converted in its equivalent score in the Italian System according to the comparable table (Annex 1) issued by the Italian Ministry of Education.

5.1 – Provisional ranking list and scholarship assignment
Candidates will be ranked in a descending order of scores. For equal points, preference will be given to the younger candidate. The provisional ranking list of eligible candidates will be published at the link https://www.polito.it/en/education/international-students/financial-aid within 19/07/2024.

5.2 – Acceptance and final ranking list
Winners must accept via written email the scholarship within 25/07/2024. Failing to provide a feedback by the given deadline will cause the loss of the scholarship.
If one or more final selected candidates withdraw from the scholarship program by the given deadline, the Politecnico di Torino will assign the scholarship to the next eligible candidate.

The final ranking list will be published at the link https://www.polito.it/en/education/international-students/financial-aid on 23/08/2024. If there are not enough candidates, the amounts made available will be used by Politecnico di Torino for scholarships to be announced in the following academic years, until the funds are exhausted.
Art. 6 – Payment and maintenance of the scholarship

6.1 - Scholarship payment
The scholarship is finally assigned and paid only:
- after completion of all enrolment procedures in a Master of Science Program of Politecnico di Torino in the first semester A.Y. 2024/25, 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 enrolment for A.Y. 2024/2025;
- for the registration in the second academic year, the possession of the maintenance requirements explained in art. 6.2;

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 instalments, covering the academic year (October 2024 - September 2025) as follows:
- 1st payment period: November 2024 - September 2025;
- if scholarship is maintained for second year: October 2025 - September 2026.

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.

6.2 - Scholarship maintenance
In order to obtain the confirmation of the scholarship for the second academic year, students must meet the following requirements:

1. have a satisfactory academic performance level, in particular, achieve at least 30 credits (CFU) by September 30th 2025;
2. 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, will not be considered in the minimum number of achieved credits/exams;
3. register as a full-time student in the second year (A. Y. 2025/26);
4. not having been assigned any other Italian or foreign scholarships (including scholarships of the Ente Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario – EDISU Piemonte, MAECI, etc.).
Students must graduate within the last available session of their cohort, i.e. December 2026.

6.3 - Withdrawal
Students who will withdraw from the degree program during their studies will automatically lose all benefits of the scholarship.

Art.7 - Treatment of personal data
In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679 – GDPR) and the “Code on the protection of personal data” (D.R. no.196 of 30th June 2003 and further amendments), Politecnico di Torino (Data Controller) 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 University policy on the processing of personal data is available at https://www.polito.it/privacy/informative-privacy or address to privacy@polito.it

Art.8 – Officer 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 Alessandra Berlese.

Art.9 – Contacts
Recruitment and Admissions Unit; international.admission@polito.it
I candidati che hanno conseguito esami di laurea in una Università straniera hanno a disposizione sul sito http://www.universitaly.it/ un sistema di conversione dei voti ottenuti sulla base della seguente formula:

\[
V = \frac{V - V\text{min}}{V\text{max} - V\text{min}} \cdot (I\text{max} - I\text{min}) + I\text{min}
\]

V= Voto da convertire  
V\text{min}= Voto minimo per la sufficienza nell'Università di provenienza  
V\text{max}= Voto massimo nell'Università di provenienza  
I\text{min}= Voto minimo per la sufficienza nelle Università Italiane (= 18/30)  
I\text{max}= Voto massimo nelle Università Italiane (= 30/30)

Per le valutazioni su scala qualitativa si fa riferimento alla seguente scala di conversione:

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I\text{min}= Voto minimo per la sufficienza nelle Università Italiane (= 66/110)  
I\text{max}= Voto massimo nelle Università Italiane (= 110/110)

Per le valutazioni su scala qualitativa la Commissione nazionale attribuirà un punto alle votazioni ricomprese nel quintile superiore sulla base della valutazione dei singoli titoli presentati.
Evaluation of exams grades

Candidates who hold a title conferred by a foreign University can refer to the conversion system available on the website www.universitaly.it.

The conversion system is obtained using the following mathematical formula:

\[ \text{GRADE} = \frac{G - G_{\text{min}}}{G_{\text{max}} - G_{\text{min}}} \times (I_{\text{max}} - I_{\text{min}}) + I_{\text{min}} \]

Where:
- \( G \): grade to be converted
- \( G_{\text{min}} \): Minimum pass grade in the foreign grading system
- \( G_{\text{max}} \): Maximum grade in the foreign grading system
- \( I_{\text{min}} \): Minimum pass grade for the Italian grading system (18/30)
- \( I_{\text{max}} \): Maximum grade in the Italian grading system (30/30)

For qualitative grades the following table is used:

- \( A = 30 \)
- \( B = 28 \)
- \( C = 26 \)
- \( D = 23 \)
- \( E = 18 \)