



International Master in Food Sciences for Innovation and Authenticity

2023/24

Application and Admission

You can find all you need to know in order to apply and gain admission to this study programme by browsing through the information below.

Subject to accreditation of the Ministry.

Deadlines and important dates

Early Bird Application

Application: 01/03 - 27/04/2023 (by noon local time)

Language exams: 17/03/2023 (registration: 1-10/03/2023) and 13 - 14 - 17 - 18 - 19/04/2023 (registration: 23/03-03/04/2023)

Admission procedure and publication of ranking lists: by 16/05/2023

Payment of the 1st instalment of the tuition fees: by 25/05/2023 (by noon local time)

Enrolment: 12/07 - 13/10/2023 (by noon local time)

Late Application (only for EU citizens)

Application: 17/05 - 23/08/2023 (by noon local time)

Language exams: 26/06 - 01/07/2023 (registration: 17/05 - 18/06/2023)

Language exams: 24/07/2023 (registration: 7-17/07/2023)

Admission procedure and publication of ranking lists: by 06/09/2023

Payment of the 1st instalment of the tuition fees: by 15/09/2023 (by noon local time)

Enrolment: 06/09 - 13/10/2023 (by noon local time)

Preparatory courses and Freshers Days

Intensive language courses: 04 - 22/09/2023 (Monday to Friday, 6 h/day)

Freshers Days: 02 - 03/10/2023

1st semester

Classes: 02/10 - 23/12/2023

Exams (extraordinary session): 14 - 22/12/2023

Holidays: 24/12/2023 - 07/01/2024

Classes: 08/01 - 27/01/2024

Exams: 29/01 - 24/02/2024

2nd semester

Classes: 04/03 - 28/03/2024

Holidays: 29/03 - 01/04/2024

Classes: 02/04 - 15/06/2024

Exams (extraordinary session): 15 - 25/05/2024

Exams: 17/06 - 13/07/2024

Autumn session

Exams: 26/08 - 28/09/2024

Available places

EU citizens and citizens given parity of treatment

Early Bird Application: 30

Late Application: 10

Non-EU citizens (living abroad)

Early Bird Application: 5

The programme will only be offered if a minimum of 12 newly enrolled students is reached.

Entry requirements

In order to gain admission to this programme you need one of the following qualifications:

1. a bachelor degree in one of the following Italian degree classes: L-25 ex D.M. 270/2004 (Agriculture and Forestry) or the corresponding class ex D.M. 509/99; L-26 (Food Sciences) or the corresponding class ex D.M. 509/99; L-38 (Animal Production Sciences and Technologies) or the corresponding class ex D.M. 509/99
2. the previous career must have covered at least 30 ECTS credits in one or more of the following scientific sectors*:

MAT/01-09 - Mathematical Logic; Algebra; Geometry; Mathematics Education and History of Mathematics; Mathematical Analysis, Probability and Statistics; Mathematical Physics; Numerical Analysis; Operations Research

FIS/01-08 - Experimental Physics; Theoretical Physics and Mathematical Models and Methods; Physics of Matter; Nuclear and Subnuclear Physics; Astronomy and Astrophysics; Physics of the Earth and of the Circumterrestrial Medium; Applied Physics; Didactics and History of Physics

CHIM/01-07 - Analytical Chemistry; Physical Chemistry; General and Inorganic Chemistry; Industrial Chemistry Science and Technology of Polymeric Materials; Organic Chemistry; Chemical Foundations of Technology

CHIM/10-11 - Food Chemistry; Chemistry and Biotechnology of Fermentations

BIO/01-05 - General Botany; Systematic Botany; Environmental and Applied Botany; Plant Physiology; Zoology

BIO/09-11 - Physiology; Biochemistry; Molecular Biology

BIO/13 - Experimental Biology

BIO/18-19 - Genetics; General Microbiology

MED/07 - Microbiology and Clinical Microbiology

MED/42 - Hygiene and Public Health

AGR/01-04 - Agricultural Economics and Rural Appraisal; Agronomy and Field Crops; Arboriculture and Fruitculture; Vegetable and Ornamental Crops

AGR/07 - Agricultural Genetics

AGR/09 - Agricultural Machinery and Mechanization

AGR/11-13 - General and Applied Entomology; Plant Pathology; Agricultural Chemistry

AGR/15-19 - Food Science and Technology; Agricultural Microbiology; Livestock Systems Animal Breeding and Genetics; Animal Nutrition and Feeding; Animal Science

VET/04 - Inspection of Foods of Animal Origin

VET/06-07 - Parasitology and Animal Parasitic Diseases; Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology

ING-IND/10 - Thermal Engineering and Industrial Energy Systems

ING-IND/13-17 - Applied Mechanics; Mechanical Design and Machine Construction; Design Methods for Industrial Engineering; Manufacturing Technology and Systems; Industrial Mechanical Plants

ING-IND/23 - Applied Physical Chemistry

ING-IND/25 - Chemical Plants

ING-IND/34 - Industrial Bioengineering

ING-INF/01 - Electronics

ING-INF/05 - Information Processing Systems

SECS-P/13 - Commodity Sciences

SECS-S/01/02 - Statistics; Statistics for Experimental and Technological Research

*To guarantee the best assessment of your application, you might send a short description on how the requirement of 30 ECTS credits in the above mentioned scientific sectors has been covered in your bachelor degree. If you have graduated abroad, the correspondence of credit points awarded to scientific sectors will be based on the contents of the exams passed during your previous study career.

Until your graduation, you will be admitted conditionally. You must have achieved your degree by the enrolment deadline, otherwise you will be excluded.

To be admitted you must fulfil the language requirements indicated in the section “Language requirements”.

According to national regulations, simultaneous enrolment in a maximum of 2 programmes is possible (however, the two programmes must not belong to the same class, e.g., LM-70/LM-70 and must differ for at least 2/3 of the course contents).

Language requirements

The official teaching language is English. Therefore, the following language requirements apply, otherwise you will be excluded from the admission procedure:

Entry level (to gain admission)

English: B2

The levels of the Common European Framework of Reference apply.

You can demonstrate your language proficiency in the application portal (in the section “upload language certificates” and/or “enrol for language exams”) after you have created an application in the section “create/manage applications”.

- In case your final certificate has been awarded by an **Italian** public institution, you need to submit a self-declaration.
- In case your final certificate has been awarded by a **foreign** public institution, you need to upload diploma scanned copy of the original.

You can demonstrate language proficiency through:

1. **the main teaching language in your final high school year** if English (recognised as C1)
2. **a bachelor or master degree** in English (recognised as C1). unibz graduates must upload the language certificates obtained and/or declare that they have passed language exams at the unibz Language Centre (B2, B2+ or C1)
3. **a recognised language certificate** (see the list of recognised certificates) If you cannot upload the certificates, you can send them by e-mail as PDF files or deliver them in person to the Language Centre by the application deadline (see “Deadlines” section).
4. **language exams organised by the unibz Language Centre**. You can register for these exams online through the application portal (in the section “enrol for language exams”) after you have filled out your application in the section “create/manage applications”. The registration periods are indicated in the “Deadlines” section. If you start your application outside a language exams registration period, you must return to the portal during one of the periods indicated above in order to register for an exam. Information regarding the structure of the language proficiency exams, their duration, their administration, and typical processing time for the publication of the results can be found on the following webpage.

For information on studying in three languages also visit the following page.

Online application

Your application must be submitted online through the Application Portal. The deadlines are indicated in the “Deadlines” section.

- You need to create an account and upload a valid ID card or passport (front/back). Please note: if your document is invalid, incomplete or unreadable, you will be excluded from the admission procedure;
- Fill in the online form and upload the attachments listed under “Admission procedure”;
- If you gained your qualification abroad, you must also upload the diploma of your qualification: if you are not yet in possession of the diploma, you’ll need to upload it upon enrolment;
- Complete and submit the online application by the deadline. Once the application has been sent, it cannot be modified. Filled-in forms which have not been sent correctly will not be taken into consideration.

Please note: Mendacious declarations will be criminally prosecuted and will result in the automatic exclusion from the ranking list.

EU-Citizens and equivalent

You might apply for more than one study programme. If you are excluded in the first session, you might apply again in the second one.

Considered as equivalent are:

1. Citizens from Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, San Marino and the Vatican City State;
2. Non-EU citizens with a valid permit to stay in Italy (see article 39, paragraph 5 of decree no. 286 of 25.07.1998: "**permesso di soggiorno**" (residence permit) for work, family reasons, political or humanitarian asylum, religious reasons). In this case, you apply directly to the University as described above and must submit a copy of your valid permit to stay. A permit to stay for study reasons or a visa for tourism is **not**. If the permit has expired, you must attach a renewal request. **Please note** that if you do not upload the permit in the application portal, you will be automatically considered a non-EU citizen living abroad and therefore subject to the admission procedure through the Italian authorities in your country of origin.

Non-EU-Citizens (living outside of Italy)

Only one application period is offered. After the deadline it is not possible to apply anymore.
Application fee: € 50.

Once the ranking list has been published, if you have gained admission, secure it by paying the first instalment and then start your visa application on the University portal. The application on University is mandatory, otherwise you will not be allowed to enrol. On University you can apply for one study programme only.

Admission procedure

If the number of eligible applicants exceeds the maximum number of available places (see section "Available places"), you will be assessed for admission based on your academic qualifications.

The Admission Committee can assign up to a max. of 100 points based on the:

- final bachelor grade (for applicants already graduated)
- weighted grade average (for applicants not graduated yet)

Applicants who have already graduated take precedence over applicants who have not graduated yet.

If scores are equal, the younger applicant will be given priority (art. 3 L. 127/1997)

In the application portal, you must upload:

1. Qualification:

- **if graduated in Italy:** diploma supplement or self-declaration (following the Italian D.P.R. no. 445/2000) of the degree awarded with the exams passed (if graduated) or with the exams passed (if not graduated yet);
- **if graduated abroad:** diploma supplement or final degree certificate with exams passed (if graduated) or transcript of records (if not graduated yet) in Italian, German or English.

The above must contain the following information: final grade, exams passed with grade and date of passing, credit points, scientific fields (the latter only for Italian titles).

For qualifications obtained abroad, also: scale of grades awarded by the university of provenance (with a minimum final grade to obtain the qualification and a maximum final grade achievable).

The Faculty reserves the right to request a description of the contents of the courses and/or teaching hours where necessary.

2. Excel file: Please use the file available in the application portal.

Please note: mendacious declarations will be sanctioned by criminal law and will result in your automatic exclusion.

Ranking lists

The Admission Committee will only evaluate the documents uploaded in the portal by the application deadline. The ranking lists with the admitted students will be published here and are only valid for the respective academic year.

Secure your admission and enrolment

If you have been admitted to more than one study programme, you can secure your admission for a maximum of 2 programmes by paying the designated rate twice. By confirming your place, you renounce admission to the other programmes.

1. Choose the study programme and pay the fees (to secure your admission) in the application portal.

The deadlines are indicated in the “Deadlines” section.

If you do not meet this deadline, you will automatically be excluded and the next applicant in the ranking list will be admitted.

For EU citizens and citizens given parity of treatment only: any remaining places of the early bird application, will be offered in the late application.

Please note that you do not gain full student status by only paying the tuition fees. This status will only be acquired upon enrolment. If you have secured your admission, there will be no refund of the tuition fees unless you do not pass your secondary school final exam or, in the event of non-EU applicants living abroad, you do not receive the documents necessary for enrolment from the Italian authorities in your country.

2. Enrol online in the application portal.

The deadlines are indicated in the “Deadlines” section.

Enrolment is recommended as early as possible, so you have the possibility to upload incomplete documents before the deadline.

If you do not meet the enrolment deadline, you will be excluded and the next applicant in the ranking list will be admitted.

Admission with reservation:

If you do not have the required academic qualification, you will be given a conditional offer for a study place and you must submit your qualification upon enrolment. If you achieve your

qualification after the enrolment deadline, you cannot enrol, and you will lose your place which will be offered to the subsequent applicant in the ranking list. **Advice:** If you achieve your qualification after the enrolment deadline, you should not pay the tuition fees to confirm the study place. You will be able to submit a late enrolment request and, only if there are study places still available, you can enrol by 15 December 2023.

If you have gained your qualification abroad, you must certify that at the universities in the country where you gained your qualification, you can access to a study programme similar to that chosen at unibz. Therefore you must upload (if not uploaded upon application):

- diploma of your qualification
- official translation of your diploma into Italian (translation is not necessary if it has been issued in German or English)

and one of the following:

- the Diploma supplement, where it must be indicated: that you have achieved at least 180 credit points (ECTS) and that the study title gives access to a Master course. In case of doubt, unibz reserves the right to request the Statement of comparability
- Statement of comparability of your qualification, issued by the Italian Information Centre on Academic Mobility and Equivalence (CIMEA), in the case the Diploma supplement is missing

Please note that if you do not possess a valid admission qualification, you could be excluded with Rector's decree even after enrolment.

If you are a non-EU citizen living abroad:

If you are eligible for admission (check the ranking lists) and have also applied on University, the Italian Authorities in your own country will issue you the entry visa for studies/university.

This will allow you to arrive in Italy to enrol for the study programme that you have applied for, after passing the admission procedure.

According to Italian law, within 8 working days of your arrival in Italy, you must have applied for the residence permit: as soon as you arrive, get in touch with the Advisory Service and you will be given the necessary information for starting the procedure.

Once you will obtain your residence permit (permesso di soggiorno), you have to hand it in at the Student Secretariat personally or via e-mail.

Students intending to transfer from another Italian University to unibz must submit to the Student Secretariat - at the beginning of the academic year - a copy of the transfer application presented at the university of provenance.

Tuition fees

Fees amount to **€ 1364**

- **1st instalment (€ 764):** includes the provincial tax for the right to study of € 164 and a revenue stamp of € 16.
- **2nd instalment (€ 600):** must be paid by 31 March 2024.

Delayed payment of the second instalment will result in a fine being levied. If you have not paid the tuition fees, you will be unable to take exams and will not be able to transfer to other universities or other study programmes.

If you drop out of a programme, interrupt your studies or are excluded from studies, you are not entitled to reimbursement of the fees.

Exemption from the tuition fees (and the provincial tax) is granted to:

- Students with a disability recognized under article 3, paragraph 1, of Law No 104/1992, or with a disability up to or exceeding 66%: the disability certificate, issued by the health authorities, must be handed in at the beginning of the academic year.
- Foreign students who have been granted a scholarship from the Italian government.

Students who benefit from a scholarship granted by the Autonomous Province of Bozen-Bolzano are entitled to receive a refund of the tuition fees.

Recognition of credit points from previous studies

Credit points from previous university studies can only be recognised after enrolment if the exams taken at the university of provenance are equivalent in content to those offered at unibz. You can fill out the application after enrolment.

The Advisory Service provides support regarding your choice of study. In many cases a simple call or a short request is enough to get the relevant information (Tel. +39 0471 012100).

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Alternatively, you may call us throughout the week or book an online appointment