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UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

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Call for applications for the Master's Degree programme

ASTROPHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY

LM-58 (code 5828)

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The University has been working to raise awareness of and to address gender stereotypes. In this context, it has been decided to give greater linguistic visibility to gender differences. Where, solely for the sake of simplicity, the masculine form is used in this document, it is understood as referring to all persons who work within the community.

Introduction

This call for admission concerns the requirements, the deadlines and the methods to enroll in the second cycle degree in **Astrophysics and Cosmology, LM-58 (code 5828)**.

All relevant **information about the master's degree programme** are available in the university web site <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Astrophysics>.

Admission requirements to access the master's degree programme are described on the web page **Home > Admission > Programme enrolment: requirements, deadlines and methods**; please read the following link <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Astrophysics/how-to-enrol>.

RELEVANT DEADLINES

Applications will be assessed by the Admission Board in accordance with the procedure outlined below. **Candidates that are not admitted may not apply for other intakes.**

INTAKE 1

STEPS	DATES
1. Applications open	7 February 2023
2. Applications close	13 April 2023
3. Results are made available	By 13 April 2023
4. Enrolment	From 20 April 2023

INTAKE 2

STEPS	DATES
1. Applications open	14 April 2023
2. Applications close	14 June 2023
3. Results are made available	By 14 June 2023
4. Enrolment	From 21 June 2023

INTAKE 3

STEPS	DATES
1. Applications open	15 June 2023
2. Applications close	28 August 2023
3. Results are made available	By 28 August 2023
4. Enrolment	From 5 September 2023

INTAKE 4

STEPS	DATES
1. Applications open	29 August 2023
2. Applications close	10 October 2023
3. Results are made available	By 10 October 2023
4. Enrolment	From 17 October 2023

SECTION 1 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In order to be admitted to the second-cycle degree programme in Astrophysics and Cosmology, candidates must:

- a) hold a first-cycle **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION**, i.e., a three-year University degree or diploma or other suitable qualification obtained abroad.
Candidates who have not yet obtained a first-cycle qualification may also apply. The application procedures are outlined in Section 2 – HOW TO APPLY;
- b) meet the **CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS** outlined in section 1.1;
- c) meet the **LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS** and, specifically, proficiency in English equivalent to at least B2 level, to be demonstrated according to the procedures set out in section 1.1.
- d) have their **PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS** positively assessed in accordance with the procedures set out in section 1.2.

1.1- Curricular and language requirements

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Admission is granted to Applicants who satisfy curriculum requirements and whose personal preparation is deemed suitable. Applicants' personal preparation is assessed considering their academic records and the documents they provide. **Such assessment (“admitted” / “not admitted”) depends on the Admission Board’s irrevocable decision.**

For those graduating outside the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) who do not have the ECTS credits system in their career, the Admission Board will determine whether the number and the academic scientific contents of the exams they passed is sufficient to be evaluated.

Graduating students will be allowed to apply and enroll **under condition of receiving their bachelor degree (first cycle degree)** by a certain deadline, that will be set by the Academic bodies and will be indicated later in the degree website **Home > Admission > Programme enrolment: requirements, deadlines and methods** <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Astrophysics/how-to-enrol>.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the programme is subject to proving **English language skills, equivalent to level B2 (or higher)** of the [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#).

Please refer to the degree website to verify how the English proficiency is assessed:

Home > Admission > Programme enrolment: requirements, deadlines and methods

<https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Astrophysics/how-to-enrol>.

1.2- Assessment of personal knowledge and skills

Along with the above-mentioned curricular requirements, admission to the Master's Degree programme is in any case subject to the assessment of personal preparation.

The procedure is carried out by a specific Admission Board through the evaluation of candidates' uploaded documents. The Admission Board may decide to carry out additional interviews, on an individual basis, by contacting candidates directly (please check your name.surname@studio.unibo.it email address).

For more information on the interview topics, please check the page **Home > Admission > Programme enrolment: requirements, deadlines and methods** <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/Astrophysics/how-to-enrol>.

SECTION 2 – HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted within the timeframe set by each intake in accordance with the following procedure.

1. **Log onto** Studenti OnLine (www.studenti.unibo.it), using your SPID username and password. The system will automatically retrieve your personal details and it will create your University credentials (name.surname@studio.unibo.it).

International students who do not have an ID document issued in Italy and, therefore, cannot obtain SPID credentials, may log in with their University username and password which can be obtained by going to www.studenti.unibo.it and clicking on *Register* and then *International students registration*

2. **Click on** "APPLY FOR ADMISSION", select "SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE" and choose the programme named "**Astrophysics and Cosmology**";
3. **UPLOAD the required documents in PDF format:**

MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

- A copy of the front and back of a valid identity document. If the identity document does not have an English translation, a copy of your passport must be attached.
- **For students holding a qualification obtained outside the University of Bologna** - Self-certification regarding your first-cycle academic qualification with a list of completed exams, if obtained in Italy, or a copy of the qualification obtained abroad which enables access to second-

cycle degree programmes in the country in which it was obtained. This must be submitted along with a Transcript of Records and a Diploma Supplement, where available, translated into Italian or English. If you have not yet obtained the aforementioned qualification, upload the list of completed exams or the Transcript of Records.

- Certificate proving your English language proficiency (see section 1.2).
- CV/Resumé.

OPTIONAL DOCUMENTS

- Copy of a valid residence permit, if already held.
- Supporting documents.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

- Documents must not be sent by post or email to administrative offices. The Admission Board will only assess documents uploaded through the online application. Any mandatory documents that are missing or only partially uploaded by the application deadline of each intake shall result in the candidate not being considered for admission in that intake. **Students who were not evaluated because of incomplete documentation can submit a new application in the next available intake.**
- **Students who are about to graduate can also apply.** They will be admitted to the degree programme on the condition that they obtain their undergraduate degree by and no later than the date established by the Academic Bodies. Candidates who do not meet this requirement will be excluded.

SECTION 3 – ADMISSION

An Admission Board will check candidates' academic backgrounds and whether they meet the requirements for admission.

Candidates will be notified about admission to the degree programme via Studenti Online (<https://studenti.unibo.it/sol/welcome.htm>) and to the Unibo email (name.surname@studio.unibo.it), starting from the date indicated under step 3 in the above intake calendar.

Candidates who are not admitted because they do not meet the entry requirements may not apply for other intakes.

SECTION 4 – ENROLMENT

If you are admitted to the degree programme, you will be able to enrol starting from the date indicated under step 4 in the above intake calendar.

To enrol, you should complete the following steps.

1. **Log on** to Studenti OnLine (www.studenti.unibo.it) entering the username and password obtained when submitting your application.
2. **Select "Enrolment"**, then select "Second-cycle Degree", and then the degree programme "**Astrophysics and Cosmology**" and enter the required data, attaching a jpg file containing a passport-size photo of your face. In case you made false statements you will incur in fines set by art. 496 of the Penal Code and you will automatically lose the right to enrol and will not be entitled to any financial aid (when obtained). You will not be refunded of the expenses you sustained.
3. **Pay the first instalment** following the instructions provided on Studenti Online (www.studenti.unibo.it).

After paying the enrolment fee, check the details of your enrolment application on Studenti OnLine (www.studenti.unibo.it) to verify your next steps and activate your career.

Your University career must be activated by the deadline set on a yearly basis by the Academic Bodies, otherwise your enrolment will be cancelled.

4.1 - Particular cases

- **If you have a conditional offer**, you must obtain your undergraduate degree no later than the date set by the Academic Bodies.

If you are a University of Bologna graduate, the IT system will automatically update the data concerning graduation after you obtain the qualification.

If you are graduating from a different institution, check your next steps on Studenti OnLine (www.studenti.unibo.it).

- **If you hold a certificate demonstrating recognised invalidity of at least 66% or a certificate complying with Law 104/92**, in order to benefit from the exemption detailed at www.unibo.it/it/servizi-e-opportunita/borse-di-studio-e-agevolazioni/esoneri-e-incentivi/esenzioni-per-studenti-portatori-di-handicap, upon enrolment you should send the certificate via email to the relevant [Student Administration Office](#).
- **If you are a non-EU citizen with EU-equivalent status and you have obtained your qualification in Italy** you must provide the relevant [Student Administration Office](#) with a copy of your residence permit which confirms the EU-equivalent status.
- **If you hold an international qualification**, after completing the above steps, check the [required documentation](#) to enroll (*extended link* <https://www.unibo.it/it/didattica/iscrizioni-trasferimenti-e-laurea/iscriversi-corso-di-laurea-magistrale-con-titolo-estero>).

The documentation which you submitted for admission to the degree programme (e.g. diploma, transcript of records...) must be [translated and bear proof of authenticity when applicable](#).

Extended link (<https://www.unibo.it/it/didattica/iscrizioni-trasferimenti-e-laurea/traduzione-autenticita-e-valore-dei-titoli-di-studio-esteri>)

You will need to upload the documents concerning your international qualification on Studenti OnLine (www.studenti.unibo.it) in the section “Calls” by selecting ““Matriculation for the 23_24 academic year - document upload for international students with foreign qualifications”.

When you arrive at the University of Bologna, you must make an appointment with the International Student Administration Office in Bologna or the Student Administration Office for your campus in order to show the original copies of your documentation.

- **If you are a non-EU student living abroad**, on top of the previous steps to complete, you must also pre-enrol on University and request an entry visa for study purposes. [Click here to learn how](#). – (extended link <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/visa-and-rules-for-residence-in-italy/before-leaving-home-entry-visa>)
- **If you want to apply for degree shortening based on previous studies**, check [here](#) how to proceed and verify the relevant deadlines (extended link <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/shortening-of-the-degree-programme>)
- **If you enrol and ask for transfer from a different University**, check the information on this [web page](#) (extended link <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/transferring-to-the-university-of-bologna/transferring-to-the-university-of-bologna>)
- **If you wish to switch your degree programme within the University of Bologna (Passaggio di Corso)** check [here](#) how to proceed (extended link <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/changing-study-programme-within-the-university-of-bologna/changing-study-programme-within-the-university-of-bologna>)
- **If you wish to apply for simultaneous enrolment in different courses**, check the requirements and necessary steps on [this web page](#) (extended link <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/simultaneous-enrolment-in-different-courses>).

4.2- Tuition fees and benefits

The enrolment fees, net of the first instalment, for the 2023/2024 academic year and information on benefits and exemptions will be published on the University website on the page www.unibo.it/Tasse.

Remember that your fees will be calculated on a progressive scale based on a valid ISEE certificate only if submitted in accordance with the terms and procedures set out on the web page <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees> If you do not submit your ISEE, you will have to pay the full tuition fees relevant to your degree programme.

Information on other benefits can be found on the University website on the page <https://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/services-and-opportunities> . If you are interested in benefits related to the right to higher education, you can consult the relative call published by the Regional Authority for the Right to Higher Education on the website www.er-go.it.

As an international student, your tuition fees will be calculated according to your country of origin and the country where your family has income and assets.

Check the following page to see to which group of countries you belong and to how to calculate your tuition fee amounts: <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees-for-international-students>.

SECTION 5 – CONTACTS

For technical issues on Studenti Online:

Help Desk di Studenti Online Email: help.studentionline@unibo.it

Tel. +39 0512080301

For issues concerning admission:

AFORM Servizi Didattici Scienze – Supporto ai Corsi di studio internazionali

Email: science.international@unibo.it

For issues concerning enrolment:

Segreteria Studenti Scienze segscienze@unibo.it

Segreteria Studenti Internazionali Bologna segstudintbo@unibo.it

Please browse this webpage for the instruction on [how to access physically the Student Administration Office/Segreteria Studenti](#)