

# DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES Admission procedures with restricted access for the Joint Master's Degree Programme in

# "EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES" (MIREES) SECOND CYCLE DEGREE CLASS LM 52 – International Relations

in agreement with

# VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY AT KAUNAS UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB

(Course code 5911)

Website:

https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees

#### ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025

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This university has started an awareness-raising campaign aimed at contrasting gender stereotypes. In this respect, it was decided to give more linguistic visibility to differences. Wherever in this document the masculine form has been used, with the sole purpose of simplification, it shall be deemed to refer in an inclusive manner to all the people operating in the community.

<u>Disclaimer notice</u>: The present English version of the "East Europe and Eurasian Studies" a.y. 24-25 Call for application is unofficial and solely intended for communication aims to non-Italian speaking applicants; the Italian version of the notice is fully authentic with respect to the authentic interpretation of the rules contained therein, also with regard to any disputes.

# FIRST PART- ADMISSION PROCESS

# 1.1 - KEY POINTS AND TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES

For the academic year 2024/2025, the Department of Political and Social Sciences of the University of Bologna, Forlì Campus opens the selection for admission to the Master's Degree (Laurea Magistrale) in East European and Eurasian Studies" (MIREES), class LM-52 – International relations, in agreement with Vytautas Magnus University at Kaunas (Lithuania) and University of Zagreb (Croatia).

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT, AT THE END OF THE DEGREE PROGRAMME, STUDENTS WILL OBTAIN A SECOND CYCLE JOINT DEGREE NAMED "EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES (MIREES)", VALID AS A "LAUREA MAGISTRALE IN EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES" IN ITALY, "MASTER OF POLITICAL SCIENCE" IN LITHUANIA AND "MASTER OF ARTS IN EAST EUROPEAN RESEARCH AND STUDY" IN CROATIA.

#### TEACHING ACTIVITY

MIREES is a two-year Joint Master's degree programme divided in four semesters. Students will obtain a total of 120 ECTS credits.

Attendance at lectures, seminars and conferences is compulsory.

Lectures in the first and second semester take place at Forlì Campus and are entirely held in English. Each student must spend the third semester abroad at a Partner University of the Consortium (Vytautas Magnus University at Kaunas and University of Zagreb), at an associate partner University or other mobility destination as specified here:

https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees/mobility.

Lectures in the third semester may be delivered either in English or in the language of the partner University. The period of study abroad is compulsory and it includes the attendance to language and elective courses as well as fieldwork and research activities aimed at preparing the master's thesis. At the end of the third semester the partner universities organize a Work-In-Progress meeting where the thesis research methods and outlines will be discussed on the basis of the indications provided by the Council of the Degree Programme.

Enrolled students have access to mobility grants from either Erasmus+ Programme or MIREES Mobility Scheme or other bilateral agreements of the University of Bologna that support the compulsory mobility period abroad.

Detailed information on the degree programme such as the academic regulation, admission requirements, study plan, learning outcomes, academic calendar and class schedule, contact details is available at <a href="https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees">https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees</a>.

#### TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES

f 1 SELECTION INTAKE TO THE MASTER'S DEGREE IS SCHEDULED. A SECOND POSSIBLE INTAKE WILL OPEN IN CASE ANY PLACE ARE NOT COVERED DURING THE  $f 1^{ST}$  INTAKE. THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE PLACES FOR THE  $f 2^{ND}$  POSSIBLE SELECTION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME THE SELECTION WILL OPEN.

THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE PLACES AND QUOTA FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025 IS REPORTED IN THE **TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES** BELOW AND IN <u>SECTION 1.2</u> OF THE PRESENT CALL FOR APPLICATION.

**Non-EU candidates residing abroad** can only participate in the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{ST}}$  intake.

**EU CANDIDATES, NON-EU CANDIDATES WITH EU EQUIVALENT STATUS** CAN PARTICIPATE BOTH IN THE  $\mathbf{1}^{ST}$  AND IN THE  $\mathbf{2}^{ND}$  POSSIBLE INTAKE THAT WILL OPEN IF THE PLACES AVAILABLE WILL NOT BE FULLY COVERED IN THE  $\mathbf{1}^{ST}$  INTAKE.

All deadlines reported below in the **TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES** are MANDATORY; no exceptions will be accepted.

# **FIRST INTAKE**

Italian, EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates: **30 places** Non-EU candidates residing abroad: **20 places** 

STEPS	DATES
Deadline for on-line application	and submission of By 14 MARCH 2024 h 13:00 (CET)
documents	
2. Publication of admission ranking	lists 5 APRIL 2024
3. Enrolment procedure for selecte	ed candidates 5 APRIL 2024 – 12 APRIL 2024
4. Deadline for graduating for enro	lled students who 30 DECEMBER 2024
have not completed the 1st cycle	degree

# **SECOND POSSIBLE INTAKE**

Italian, EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates: residual places not assigned in the first intake.

	STEPS	DATES
1.	Publication of available places, if any, and second	15 APRIL 2024
	possible intake opening	
2.	Deadline for on-line application and submission of	By 9 MAY 2024 h 13:00 (CEST)
	documents	
3.	Publication of admission ranking lists	28 MAY 2024
1	Enrolment procedure for selected candidates	From 28 MAY 2024 to 7 JUNE
4.	Emolinent procedure for selected candidates	2024
5.	Dates for expression of interest in the clearing	From 26 MAY 2024 to 7 JUNE
	procedure (candidates in the waiting list select the	2024
	clearance option)	
6.	Publication of available places and list of suitable	10 JUNE 2024
	candidates on the waiting list for the clearing	
	procedure	
7.	Enrolment procedure for candidates from the waiting	From 10 JUNE 2024 to 14 JUNE
	list	2024
8.	Deadline for graduating for enrolled students who	30 DECEMBER 2024
	have not completed the 1st cycle degree	

Candidates are invited to check regularly:

- the online service Studenti Online at www.studenti.unibo.it
- the institutional mailbox: <a href="mailto:name.surname@studio.unibo.it">name.surname@studio.unibo.it</a> at <a href="mailto:www.unibo.it/LaMiaEmail">www.unibo.it/LaMiaEmail</a> as they are the only instruments for being updated on the progress of the selection process (rankings, timing for the clearing procedure, enrolment etc.).

# 1.2 - AVAILABLE PLACES

MIREES Master's degree is a **Restricted access degree**, locally established according to the resources available.

The number of available places for the academic year 2024/2025 for admission to the Master's Degree in "East European and Eurasian Studies" (MIREES), class LM-52 is **50**, of which:

- n. 30 places for Italian citizens, EU citizens and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status;
- n. 20 places for non-EU citizens resident abroad.

The admission to the Master's Degree foresees 1 intake and a possible second intake. The **50** available places are distributed as follows:

First intake	Second possible intake
<ul> <li>Italian, EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates: 30 places</li> <li>Non-EU citizens residing abroad: 20 places</li> </ul>	Italian, EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates: residual places not assigned in the first intake.  The clearing procedure for candidates in the
<b>No clearing procedure</b> for candidates in the waiting list is foreseen.	waiting list <b>is foreseen</b> .

During the possible second intake, in case the places reserved to Non-EU candidates residing outside Italy are not entirely assigned, they will be made available to EU candidates and equivalent categories.

After the possible second intake, an **extraordinary clearance procedure** open to EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates who had been selected or were eligible in the previous intakes but did not enrol **and/or an extraordinary intake** open to EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status are potentially foreseen.

For the purposes of this call for applications, candidates may check which category they are in by checking the University of Bologna website: <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/international/Who-are-international-students">https://www.unibo.it/en/international/Who-are-international-students</a>

# In particular:

**ITALIAN, EU AND NON-EU CITIZENS WITH EQUIVALENT STATUS** are indicated at point 1) of the website;

# **NON-EU CITIZENS WITH RESIDENCY ABROAD** are indicated at point 2) of the website;

Useful information for NON-EU CITIZENS with residency abroad and/or CANDIDATES WHO HOLD A foreign qualification are available at the following links:

- https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degreeprogrammes/non-eu-students-with-residency-abroad-reserved-quotas-pre-enrolmentvisas-and-italian-language-tests
- https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degreeprogrammes/international-students-how-to-prepare-for-enrolment-1/internationalstudents-how-to-prepare-for-enrolment
- <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-foreign-qualification">https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-foreign-qualification</a>.

**NON-EU CITIZENS WITH RESIDENCY ABROAD** in addition to applying for admission to the Master's Degree "East European and Eurasian Studies" detailed in the present Call for Application, shall comply with the terms and procedures to enrol in Italian Universities that are annually established by the Italian Ministry of University and Research (MUR) available at <a href="http://www.studiare-initalia.it/studentistranieri/">http://www.studiare-initalia.it/studentistranieri/</a>

In particular they are required to:

- apply for the pre-enrolment application to the Italian Embassy/Consulate in the student's country of residence through **Universitaly portal** (<a href="https://www.universitaly.it/">https://www.universitaly.it/</a>);
- hold a qualification obtained abroad that grants access to a second cycle degree in Italy;
- Non-EU citizens holding an Italian permit of stay for study reasons who have formally renounced to study at the University of Bologna or at any other Italian University lose the right to stay in Italy thus having their permit of stay revoked. These candidates will have to return to their countries of origin and start the pre-enrolment procedure through Universitaly portal <a href="https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/">www.universitaly.it</a> at the Italian Embassy-Consulate within the deadline annually established and published at <a href="https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/">https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/</a>.

#### 1.3 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For admission to the Master's Degree in "East European and Eurasian Studies" it is necessary to meet the following requirements:

1 - to hold a Bachelor's (First cycle) Degree from an Italian university among those listed below or an equivalent Bachelor's (First cycle) Degree from a non-Italian University which grants access to a Second Cycle Degree in the issuing country.

**A** - **Italian academic qualifications** belonging to the disciplinary fields of the Italian Ministerial Decree DM 270/04:

L-5 Philosophy L-33 Economics
L-6 Geography L-36 Political science and international relations

L-5 Philosophy
L-10 Humanities
L-11 Modern languages and civilisations
L-40 Sociology
L-12 Linguistic mediation
L-42 History
L-20 Communication
L-33 Economics
L-40 Sociology
L-42 History
DS/1 Defence and security

#### Or:

To hold an Italian Bachelor's (First cycle) Degree belonging to a different disciplinary field and having acquired at least 48 ECTS in the following areas of study (SSD):

SPS/03, SPS/04, SPS/05, SPS/06, SPS/07, SPS/11, SPS/14, SECS-P/01, SECS-P/02, M-STO/02, M-STO/03, M-STO/04, M-GGR/02, IUS/13, IUS/14, L-LIN/19, L-LIN/21;

**B** - Italian academic qualifications belonging to the disciplinary fields established by the Italian Ministerial Decree DM 509/99 which have been assimilated to the disciplinary fields of the DM 270/04, as reported in section A (according to the Inter-Ministerial Decree of 9 July 2009);

**C - Italian academic qualifications** awarded before the Italian Ministerial Decree D.M. 509/99 and non-Italian academic qualifications obtained abroad: the International Academic Board (IAB) will assess the correspondence between the disciplinary field of the candidate's entry qualification and the disciplinary fields established by the Italian Ministerial Decree D.M. 270/04 listed in section A.

PLEASE NOTE: Candidates who have yet to obtain their First Cycle Degree by the application deadline are allowed to apply. Successful candidates who, at the closing date for enrolment, have yet to obtain their First Cycle Degree can still enrol according to the terms and conditions described in the <a href="IIMETABLE OF DEADLINES">IIIMETABLE OF DEADLINES</a> with reference to their own intake and pay the tuition fees due PROVIDED THEY OBTAIN THE BACHELOR'S (FIRST CYCLE) DEGREE WITHIN 30 DECEMBER 2024.

Failure to comply will result in the student losing the right to enrol in the Master's Degree programme.

- 2 To have a minimum B2 Level knowledge of the English language according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) attested by **one** of the following certificates issued no more than **3 years** prior to the application intake deadline:
  - English B2 International certificates listed see the Language Certificates Equivalence Table of the Linguistic Center: <a href="https://centri.unibo.it/cla/it/riconoscimento-idoneita-linguistica">https://centri.unibo.it/cla/it/riconoscimento-idoneita-linguistica</a>
  - IELTS Academic Online min. 5,5
  - TOEFL-paper-based min. 550 points;
  - Trinity GESE min. 7;
  - Min. B2 level certificate issued by a University Language Centre in Italy or abroad;

**PLEASE NOTE**: candidates who do not hold the IELTS certificate, yet (Academic / Academic Online / General Training), at the application stage may indicate the Test Report Form Number.

# OR

- Min. B2 level English OOPT Oxford Online Placement Test at the University of Bologna Language Centre (CLA)
  - > on **5 March 2024, at 09:30 a.m (CET)**, for the 1<sup>st</sup> intake (Sign up to the OOPT test by sending an email to <u>didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it</u> **before 26 February 2024 h. 10:00** (CET))
  - ➤ on **7 May 2024**, at **09:30 a.m (CEST)**, for the possible 2<sup>nd</sup> intake (Sign up to the OOPT test by sending an email to <u>didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it</u> **before 29 April 2024 h. 10:00** (CEST))
- Candidates who are unable to provide one of the English certificates specified above nor fall
  within any of the above-mentioned exemption categories will have the opportunity to sign
  up and sit the OOPT test by sending an email to <u>didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it</u> within 8 days
  from the test date in order to allow the offices to sign them up to the test. For further details
  please see <u>Section 1.5</u>
- Min. B2 level OOPT TEST at the University of Bologna Language Centre (CLA) for Admission to another Master's Degree for the academic year 2024/2025 or the previous a.y. 2023/2024.

#### OR

the above-mentioned B2 level certificates are not requested if the candidate falls within **one of the following exemption categories:** 

- English mother-tongue applicants (nationals from Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, UK and USA)
- applicants who obtained a Bachelor's (first-cycle) degree or another degree qualification entirely taught in English

Applicants who do not hold any of the English B2 language certificate nor they fall in the cases of exemption listed above and do not ask to sit the OOPT Test within the intake deadlines in compliance with the procedures described above or are absent on the day of the booked test or do not reach the B2 level, will not meet the mandatory English language requirement and will therefore be excluded from the assessment of the suitable personal preparation and they will not enter in the ranking list.

3 - The assessment of a suitable personal preparation will be carried out by the International Academic Board (IAB) on the basis of the documents uploaded online by the candidates (as listed in Section 1.4 of the present Call), in accordance with the procedures set out in Section 1.5 of the present Call. The assessment will include the academic education background, its relevance to

MIREES Master's Degree learning objectives and professional profiles as well as any possible further academic and non-academic experiences.

#### 1.4 - APPLICATION PROCEDURE

In order to apply, the candidate shall complete the online registration by the following mandatory deadlines:

From 2 February 2024 to 14 March 2024 at 13:00 (CET) for the first intake;

From 15 April 2024 to 9 May 2024 at 13:00 (CEST) for the second possible intake.

In order to apply candidates will need to:

1. register on **Studenti Online** (<u>www.studenti.unibo.it</u>) or **log in with SPID credentials.** The system will automatically retrieve your personal details from SPID and eventually create your UNIBO institutional account (<u>name.surname@studio.unibo.it</u>).

Non-Italian students who do not hold an Italian ID may log in with UNIBO account; in order to obtain it enter **Studenti Online** (<u>www.studenti.unibo.it</u>) select "REGISTER" and then click on "INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS REGISTRATION".

- 2. click on "ADMISSION APPLICATION" button, select "SECOND CYCLE DEGREE PROGRAMME", then "EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES" and the relevant intake;
- 3. download / fill in / upload the **Application form** on **Studenti Online** or on the Master's degree website **https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees/how-to-enrol**
- 4. Upload online the following documents in .pdf format
  - a) Application form duly filled in;
  - b) Graduation certificate and list of exams passed with respective results

in case of a **Bachelor's (First Cycle) Degree obtained or to be obtained in Italy**, candidates shall upload the graduation self-certification with the list of the exams passed and results, credits and areas of study (SSD); forms for self-certification are available on the website **Studenti Online.** 

Such certificate is automatically retrieved by the system for University of Bologna students and graduates (see <u>point 5</u> below).

In the case of **Bachelor's (First Cycle) Degree obtained or to be obtained from a non-Italian University**, it is necessary to upload the graduation certificate (if obtained), with the full transcript of all exams passed with results and credits, issued and certified by the University awarding the qualification.

In case the required documents are not written in English or Italian, they shall be accompanied by a **translation into English** (the translation can be done by the applicants themselves as well).

Please upload any additional qualifications obtained (Bachelor's Degree, Master, vocational master, Phd, etc.)

c) Any certified international experience (international mobility study exchanges or internships / research / thesis preparation periods abroad connected to the University career, summer schools, language certificates other than English of at least B2 level or above, etc.), publications and other academic activities in the field of International Relations and in the Area of concern (Eastern Europe and Eurasia). Only publications uploaded online and the official attestations of any relevant academic experiences issued by the organization where such activities took place submitted online will be taken into consideration for the purpose of the selection procedure; self-certificates are admitted only in case the abovementioned experiences have been carried out at Italian public Universities (in the latter case the contact details must be included for verification).

- d) Any certified non-academic experience (working, internships, volunteering, etc.) in the field of International Relations and in the Area of concern (Eastern Europe and Eurasia). Only the publications uploaded online and the official attestations of relevant non-academic experiences issued by the organization where such activities took place submitted online will be taken into consideration for the purpose of the selection procedure; self-certificates are admitted only in case the above-mentioned experiences have been carried out at Italian public administrations (in the latter case the contact details must be included for verification).
  - **e) Minimum B2 Level (CEFR) English language knowledge attested** by **one** of the certificates listed above (if issued by public Italian University applicants may upload a self-certificate) or certify to be in one of the exemption categories as foreseen in section 1.3 point 2.
  - f) Copy of a valid ID or passport
  - **g) Copy of a valid Italian permit of stay,** in case the candidate already has it (mandatory for NON-EU citizens with EU equivalent status).
- 5) IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE ADMISSION PROCEDURE, IT IS ALSO NECESSARY TO DECLARE THE POSSESSION OF A VALID DEGREE QUALIFICATION, INDICATING ALL EXAMS TAKEN, FINAL MARKS AND THE RESPECTIVE AREAS OF STUDY (SSD). ACCORDING TO THE CONDITION IN WHICH THE CANDIDATE IS AT THE TIME OF THE REGISTRATION FOR THE SELECTION ROUND, HE/SHE SHALL FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW:
- candidates graduate from the University of Bologna: during the application process, candidates may confirm the qualifications obtained at the University of Bologna that is automatically proposed by the system and there is no need to enter any other career information.
- candidates currently enrolled at the University of Bologna (graduating students): during the application process, candidates may confirm the degree they are attending at the University of Bologna that is automatically proposed by the system and there is no need to enter any other career information. In order to assess the admission requirements, the exams recorded by the deadline for enrollment in the selection for which they are competing will be considered.

- graduate or graduating candidates from other Italian Universities: during the application process, candidates shall indicate the University Degree. In order to complete the admission request, candidates will have to specify the list of exams passed in their previous career. The application can be updated up to selection deadline.
- candidates who have obtained a University degree abroad: during the application process, it is mandatory to indicate the University Degree achieved. Please make sure to insert all the exams and credits passed during the previously indicated qualification. The application can be updated up to the selection deadline.
- 6) Pay the registration fee of € 50.00 (unless it has been already paid for the first intake). The payment must be done through Studenti Online (www.studenti.unibo.it) and the amount paid cannot be refunded under no circumstances.

For assistance with the completion of the on-line admission application, candidates can contact the Help Desk of Studenti Online tel. number **+39 051 2080301** or e-mail <a href="mailto:help.studentionline@unibo.it">help.studentionline@unibo.it</a>.

Applications to the Master's Degree "East European and Eurasian Studies" that are not accompanied by all the compulsory documents or that are received after the closing date or whose registration fee has not been paid will not be considered under any circumstances.

# 1.5 - SELECTION CRITERIA AND EVALUATION

A joint International Examining Board representing the partner institutions (International Academic Board), appointed by the Department of Political and Social Sciences and composed of at least 3 members among the teaching staff and researchers of the joint programme, is in charge of ensuring that the selection procedure is being carried out correctly.

The admission to "East European and Eurasian Studies" Master's Degree depends on the positive assessment of the personal preparation carried out on the documents submitted online by all EU and non-EU candidates.

Candidates who **do not fulfil the admission requirements**, as indicated in <u>SECTION 1.3</u>, will not be admitted to MIREES.

Candidates who do not hold any of the English B2 level language certificates, nor they fall in any of the exemption cases specified above will have the opportunity to sit the **OOPT- Oxford Online Placement Test:** 

> on **5 March 2024**, **at 09:30 a.m (CET)**, for the 1<sup>st</sup> intake (Sign up to the OOPT test by sending an email to <u>didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it</u> **before 26 February 2024 h. 10:00** (CET))

> on 7 May 2024, at 09:30 a.m (CEST), for the possible 2<sup>nd</sup> intake (Sign up to the OOPT test by sending an email to <a href="mailto:didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it">didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it</a> before 29 April 2024 h. 10:00 (CEST))

Please check section 1.3 of the present call.

The OOPT will LAST 60 MINUTES and will be carried out online simultaneously for all candidates, gathered in a virtual room, under the supervision of the University Language Centre (CLA) gathered remotely.

Candidates who will score a result equal to or higher than B2 will be admitted to the assessment of the suitable personal preparation.

The OOPT test results will be available online at the end of the test on the Test platform and will also be published on **Studenti Online** together with the ranking list for the admission to the master's degree on each selection process intake.

For any adaptation request to carry out the OOPT from candidates with disabilities and learning disabilities, please contact <a href="mailto:ases.adattamentiammissione@unibo.it">ases.adattamentiammissione@unibo.it</a>.

Candidates will not receive any certificate nor attestation; results will be communicated to the Evaluation Committee for the purposes of this admission only.

The **personal preparation assessment** results will be expressed as a sum of the points obtained.

THE MAXIMUM SCORE IS 100 POINTS AND THE MINIMUM SCORE TO BE ADMITTED TO "EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES" IS 50 OUT OF 100.

Applications will be evaluated as follows:

- academic background education: UP TO 70 points, assigned according to the following criteria:
  - ➤ up to 45 points: weighted average grade of the marks obtained for the entry Bachelor's (First Cycle) Degree according to the following calculation:

# [(Exams weighted average - 18) x 45/11,5]

**45 points** are given to those candidates whose weighted average is **29,5/30 or above**.

In assessing the application of candidates who have obtained, or are about to obtain, a University degree abroad (outside Italy), in order to apply the same criteria set out for candidates graduate/graduating at an Italian University, the International Academic Board will use the ECTS (European Credit Transfer System); in case candidates hold academic titles that are not convertible into the ECTS system, the International Academic Board will then assign a score by assessing each degree submitted.

- relevance, number and length of any certified additional academic qualifications obtained (additional first or second-cycle degrees, first or second level vocational master, PhD, etc.): up to 5 points;
- ➤ certified international experiences (international mobility study exchanges or internships / research / thesis preparation periods abroad connected to the University career, summer schools, language certificates other than English of at least B2 level or above, etc.) and other documented academic experiences with attestations or publications in the field of international relations and in the Area of concern (Eastern Europe and Eurasia): up to 15 points;

- certified non-academic experiences (for example working experiences, internships, volunteering) in the field of international relations and in the Area of concern (Eastern Europe and Eurasia): up to 5 points.
- 2. **relevance of the entry Bachelor's (First Cycle) degree** to the "East European and Eurasian Studies" Master's Degree learning objectives and professional profiles: **UP TO 30 POINTS** assigned for the following **areas of study (SSD)** 
  - ➤ obtained in the disciplinary fields ("classi di laurea") established by the Italian Ministerial Decree DM 270/04 and by the Italian Ministerial Decree DM 509/99 (assimilated to the disciplinary fields of the DM 270/04):

**IUS/13 INTERNATIONAL LAW** 

IUS/14 EUROPEAN UNION LAW

**IUS/21** COMPARATIVE PUBLIC LAW

L-LIN/19 FINNO-UGRIC PHILOLOGY

L-LIN/21 SLAVIC STUDIES

M-GGR/02 ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY

M-STO/02 MODERN HISTORY

M-STO/03 HISTORY OF EASTERN EUROPE

M-STO/04 CONTEMPORARY HISTORY

SECS-P/01 ECONOMICS

SECS-P/02 ECONOMIC POLICY

SPS/01 POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

SPS/02 HISTORY OF POLITICAL THOUGHT

SPS/03 HISTORY OF POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

SPS/04 POLITICAL SCIENCE

SPS/05 AMERICAN HISTORY AND INSTITUTIONS

SPS/06 HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

SPS/07 GENERAL SOCIOLOGY

SPS/08 SOCIOLOGY OF CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION

SPS/11 POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

SPS/14 ASIAN HISTORY AND INSTITUTIONS

according to the following criteria:

**30 points** if the candidate has obtained 40 or more than 40 credits in the above-mentioned areas of study (SSD) with a maximum of 25 credits in the same area of study (SSD);

**15 points** if the candidate has obtained between 20 and 39 credits in the above-mentioned areas of study (SSD) with a maximum of **20 credits in the same area of study (SSD)**;

**5 points** if the candidate has obtained between 10 and 19 credits in the above-mentioned areas of study (SSD) with a maximum of 10 credits in the same area of study (SSD)

➤ for Italian academic qualifications awarded before the Italian Ministerial Decree D.M.

509/99 and non-Italian academic qualifications: the International Academic Board (IAB) will assess the correspondence between the areas of study of the candidate's entry qualification and the areas of study established by the Italian Ministerial Decree D.M. 270/04, as reported above.

**PLEASE NOTE**: the above-mentioned titles refer to the areas of study (SSD), the exams taken may have different titles.

# 1.6 - ADMISSION RANKING LISTS

When each selection process is completed, the International Academic Board (IAB) will draw up a final ranking of selected candidates and eligible candidates for every quota of reserved places according to the criteria set out in the FIRST PART of this Call for application; successful candidates will be admitted to the Master's Degree in "East European and Eurasian Studies" according to their position in the ranking lists up to the maximum number of available places.

**In the case of candidates with equivalent score**, the priority will be given to the youngest.

The ranking lists will be posted:

on 5th April 2024 for the first intake,

on 28th May 2024 for the second possible intake

• On **Studenti online** (<u>www.studenti.unibo.it</u>) in the detail page of the admission request, as the only legal representation of the admission ranking list.

# SECOND PART- ENROLMENT AND CLEARING PROCEDURE

#### 2.1 - ENROLMENT

By the following mandatory deadlines:

From 5 to 12 April 2024 for the first intake,

From 28 May to 7 June 2024 for the second possible intake,

in order to complete the enrolment process, selected candidates shall:

- Connect to Studenti Online on the website <u>www.studenti.unibo.it</u> by using the SPID credentials
  or the User ID (<u>name.surname@stdio.unibo.it</u>) and password received for the on-line
  application procedure
- Select "REGISTRATION", then "SECOND CYCLE DEGREE PROGRAMME" and finally "EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES"
- Enter the requested data in the online form and attach a passport-style picture.

In the case of false declarations punished by art. 496 of the Italian penal code, the candidate loses the right to enrol and any related benefits, together with the right to any reimbursement of the payments made.

- Pay the first instalment or alternatively the full annual fee by a single instalment according to
  the methods indicated at Studenti Online <a href="https://www.studenti.unibo.it">www.studenti.unibo.it</a>. Failure to pay the tuition fee
  will entail being excluded from the procedure. No late fee payment is admitted.
- The student's career has to be activated by 28 February 2025 or the enrolment will be cancelled.

After paying the first instalment of tuition fees, candidates shall check in **Studenti Online**, in the detail of the registration request, the next steps necessary to validate their identity and activate their university career.

Candidates whose university career cannot be automatically activated will have to contact the Student Administration Office / Segreteria Studenti of Forlì to validate their identity and/or to send the necessary documents to complete their enrolment.

After the career is activated, students can start to use all the services of the University such as online study plan, signing up for exams, getting access for WIFI, online library resources and Campus LABIC and make academic career procedures (change of Degree programme, transfer to another Italian University, withdrawal from studies). Besides, students will receive an e-mail with the instructions to get the badge.

Students asking for the recognition of a previous university career of Master level (Second Cycle Degrees or learning activities), after completing their enrolment, by November 28th 2023 shall apply for a shortened degree programme according to the detailed procedure at <a href="http://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/shortening-of-the-degree-programme">http://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/shortening-of-the-degree-programme</a>.

In order to complete the enrolment in the cases listed below, it is necessary to complete the following steps:

- a) **non-EU with EU equivalent status citizens** must send a copy of their valid residence permit ensuring the status of EU equivalent student;
- b) non-EU candidates residing abroad shall check all relevant information on <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/non-eu-students-with-residency-abroad-reserved-quotas-pre-enrolment-visas-and-italian-language-tests, connect to Studenti Online (www.studenti.unibo.it), enter in the section "CALLS", then select "Matriculation for the 24\_25 Academic year Document upload for international students with foreign Qualifications", upload a copy of their valid Italian permit of stay for study purposes or, if not issued yet, a copy of their passport with study visa and or the receipt confirming that a residence permit has been applied for (conditional enrolment status);
- c) **students who obtained a foreign entry qualification from a non-Italian University** shall check all relevant information on <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-">https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-</a>

examination/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-foreign-qualification, connect to **Studenti Online** (www.studenti.unibo.it), enter in the section "CALLS", then select "Matriculation for the 23\_24 academic year - document upload for international students with foreign qualifications", upload all documents relating to their entry degree by 28 February 2025. Upon their arrival in Italy, they shall make an appointment with the Student Administration Office / Segreteria Studenti of Forlì to hand in their original degree documents.

d)selected candidates with pending entry qualifications can enrol according to the methods and deadlines mentioned above, even though they have not obtained the First cycle degree yet, provided that the entry qualification is obtained by 30 December 2024.

After completing their Bachelor's (First Cycle degree) at the University of Bologna, the academic title will be automatically retrieved and the career will be activated.

After completing their Bachelor's (First Cycle degree) at another Italian University, students will need to login to **Studenti Online** in the detail of the registration request and insert the graduation mark by selecting the relevant "add the graduation mark" button in order to activate the career.

In case the degree was awarded abroad, the students will have to contact the Student Administration Office / Segreteria Studenti of Forlì to self-certify the final examination date and the final grade/GPA obtained and submit the original certificate.

Failure to graduate by **30 December 2024** deadline or in case of false declarations, the candidate loses the right to enrol on this Master's Degree programme.

Information on how to enroll after transferring from another Italian University or from another University of Bologna Master's Degree (or from the previous degree programme regulation of LM MIREES, code course 8049) and fees:

https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/transferring-to-the-university-of-bologna/transferring-to-the-university-of-bologna;

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;

 $\underline{https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/transfer-to-a-\underline{study-programme-under-the-new-system}$ 

Selected candidates enrolled at another Italian University who wish to transfer to MIREES must pay the first instalment (or alternatively the full annual fee by a single instalment) by 12 April 2024 for the first intake and by 7 June 2024 for the second possible intake.
The transfer application at the current Italian University must be submitted by the deadlines there established and a transfer fee will be requested by the Student Administration Office of

Forlì Campus as soon as the documents from the Italian University of origin have been received.

➤ Selected candidates enrolled at the University of Bologna who wish to change degree programme and transfer to MIREES (or students enrolled in the previous Mirees degree regulation opting to change to the new regulation) must pay the first instalment (or alternatively the full annual fee by a single instalment) by 12 April 2024 for the first intake and by 7 June 2024 for the second possible intake.

Afterwards, from 25 July 2024 to 21 November 2024 they shall complete the transfer on **Studenti Online.** 

Information on **simultaneous enrolment in different courses** as provided for by Italian law no. 33 of 12 April 2022 is available here: <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/simultaneous-enrolment-in-different-courses">https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/simultaneous-enrolment-in-different-courses</a>

### 2.2 – CLEARING PROCEDURE

The clearing procedure is foreseen only in the second possible intake and allows to reassign the positions left available by selected candidates upon conclusion of the enrolment procedure, according to the order of merit of the ranking list.

This clearing procedure consists of two steps.

# STEP 1 – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN THE CLEARING PROCEDURE

In the second possible intake, all eligible candidates who are placed after the last selected candidate, must express their interest in the clearing procedure from 28 May 2024 to 7 June 2024.

In order to participate in the clearing process:

- Log on Studenti Online (www.studenti.unibo.it);
- 2. **Express your interest in the clearing procedure,** by clicking on the relevant button to enter the clearing procedure available in the detail page of the admission request after the publication of the ranking list;
- 3. Check if the expression of interest has been regularly submitted by connecting again to Studenti Online in the detail page of the admission request: the page will show the date of the expression of interest and a receipt of the request submitted.

The candidates who have been assessed "Not eligible", "Absent" or "Excluded" cannot participate in the clearing procedure.

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the candidates who will not express their interest in the clearing procedure in accordance with the above-mentioned arrangements will be excluded from all the steps of the procedure. Candidates will be admitted exclusively on the basis of their position in the admission ranking list.

The number of available places and the list of candidates admitted to the clearing procedure will be published on **Studenti Online** at <a href="www.studenti.unibo.it">www.studenti.unibo.it</a>, in the detail page of the admission request as the only legal means of communication on **10 June 2024**.

# STEPS 2 – ENROLMENT OF ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES ADMITTED TO THE CLEARING PROCEDURE

Eligible candidates admitted to MIREES through the clearing procedure in the possible second intake must enroll within the following mandatory deadline, according to the arrangements laid down at section 2.1 of this call:

From 10 June 2024 to 14 June 2024.

Candidates admitted to the clearing procedure who do not intend to enroll are kindly invited to send a written communication to <a href="mailto:didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it">didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it</a>, through the Unibo email address <a href="mailto:name.surname@studio.unibo.it">name.surname@studio.unibo.it</a> or by enclosing a double-sided copy of a valid ID document.

Eligible candidates who could be assigned vacant places will receive an email to their Unibo email address assigned during the registration procedure. The e-mail will detail how and when they could be admitted to the clearing procedure and enrolment within the established deadline: by 16 June 2023.

#### **EXTRAORDINARY PROCEDURES OF VACANT PLACES**

If, upon conclusion of the clearing process of the possible second intake, there are still vacant places, the Director of the Department of Political and Social Sciences of Forlì Campus can decide to open a possible extraordinary intake and /or a possible extraordinary clearing procedure; in this second case, he will ask the Managing Director of the Campus Area of Forlì that the available places are fully assigned, exclusively with reference to successful candidates already placed in the ranking lists.

In both possible cases, **specific notices** will be posted on the website **Studenti Online** www.studenti.unibo.it.

Any extraordinary selection or clearing procedure must be concluded **no later than 21 November 2024**.

# 2.3- REGISTRATION FEES AND TUITION FEES

The amount of the annual tuition fees for the academic year 2024/2025 and the calculation system of the fees on the basis of the student's economic conditions are published on the University website at <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees">https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees</a> as soon as they are available.

Fees are progressively calculated based on a valid ISEE certification (or on the corresponding documents required to international students) only if it is submitted under the terms and conditions reported at <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemptions/tuition-exemption-exem

Non-EU citizens from one of the countries listed amongst particularly poor or developing countries or non-OECD will be granted reduced tuition fees <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees-for-international-students-a-y-2022-23">https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees-for-international-students-a-y-2022-23</a>

Information on available scholarships, exemptions, loans and other forms of financial aid for students can be found at the following web pages:

https://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/services-and-opportunities

https://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/study-grants-and-subsidies/study-grants-for-international-students

Detailed information on the benefits for the right to education are available in **the Call published** by the Regional Authority for the Right to Education (ER.GO) available at <a href="www.er-go.it">www.er-go.it</a> (expected to be published in June 2024).

Students who are enrolled in another degree course, before asking to be transferred shall check the requirements to have access to ER.GO benefits as detailed in ER.GO 24/25 call for Application as their career, after transferring to another Degree will be calculated on their first enrolment year at the University, regardless the credits recognition obtained and the year of enrolment that the Master's Degree academic board will assign. That could imply a loss in the benefits.

Students with recognized disability equal or higher than 66% or with a certificate of disability in compliance with the Italian Law 104/92 in order to have access to the exemptions detailed on <a href="http://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/study-grants-and-subsidies/exemptions-and-incentives/exemptions-for-disabled-students">http://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/study-grants-and-subsidies/exemptions-and-incentives/exemptions-for-disabled-students</a> shall send a copy of the certificate attesting their conditions by email to <a href="mailto:segforli@unibo.it">segforli@unibo.it</a> to the Student Administration Office / <a href="mailto:Segforli@unibo.it">Segreteria Studenti</a> of Forli;

The Collegio Superiore of the University of Bologna (<a href="http://www.collegio.unibo.it/en">http://www.collegio.unibo.it/en</a>) will publish in the coming months a call for admission of master's level for the Academic Year 2024/2025, open to Italian and international candidates.

# 2.4- FINAL INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

For information on the call for applications:

MIREES Programme	Ufficio Gestione Corsi di Studio Scienze Politiche e Sociali
Coordinator	Via G. Della Torre 1, 47121 Forlì
Daniela Farinelli	Ph. +39 0543 374126; e-mail didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it;
	www.mirees.unibo.it

<b>Student Administration Office</b>	Padiglione Melandri, Piazzale Solieri 1, 47121 Forlì
of Forlì Campus (Segreteria	E-mail segforli@unibo.it;
studenti Campus di Forlì)	Contacts: https://www.unibo.it/en/campus-forli/campus-
	services/student-administration-office-1

For information on the courses of Italian language offered to international students:

Language Centre – University of	Forlì branch, Via Lombardini 5, 47121 Forlì
Bologna (CLA - Centro	E-mail cla.fo-segreteria@unibo.it
Linguistico di Ateneo)	Contacts: https://centri.unibo.it/cla/it/contatti/segreterie-
	studenti-del-cla

The contact details of the **OTHER STUDENT SERVICES OF FORLÌ CAMPUS** are available at <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/campus-forli/campus-services/campus-services-1">https://www.unibo.it/en/campus-forli/campus-services/campus-services-1</a>

For technical assistance on Studenti online and information on the IT services (such as institutional User ID and Password, data entry, errors in the online service):

Studenti Online Help Desk	Ph. +39 051 2080301
Самени стипо погразон	E-Mail help.studentionline@unibo.it

International candidates or candidates with a qualification obtained abroad can receive information on the eligibility of their degree, pre-enrollment, visa and permit of stay, financial aid for international students, etc. from the International Desk, in addition to the Programme Coordinator and the Student Administration Office:

International Desk (Bologna)	Via Filippo Re 4 - Bologna
	E-Mail internationaldesk@unibo.it
	Contacts: www.unibo.it/ContattiStudentiInternazionali

# For information on fees and benefits:

Tuition fees offices	Via Marsala, 49 - Bologna
Tutton rees offices	E-mail <u>ases.contribuzionistudentesche@unibo.it</u>
	Contacts: https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-
	transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-
	exemptions/tuition-fees

### Information for candidates with disabilities and SLD:

Students with disabilities and	Via Marsala, 49 – Bologna;
SLD:	for adapted admission (OOPT):
	ases.adattamentiammissione@unibo.it
	contacts: https://site.unibo.it/studenti-con-disabilita-e-dsa/en

Any changes on the admission and enrolment procedure will be published on **Studenti Online** at <a href="https://www.studenti.unibo.it">www.studenti.unibo.it</a>, whereas information on the office closures will be notified on the University website at <a href="https://www.unibo.it">www.unibo.it</a>

The Information note on the **processing of personal data** is available on the University website at <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/university/privacy-policy-and-legal-notes/privacy-policy/personal-data-processing">https://www.unibo.it/en/university/privacy-policy-and-legal-notes/privacy-policy/personal-data-processing</a>.

This call for applications, approved by the Managerial Decree whose repertoire and protocol numbers are printed on the official Italian version front page, is issued in compliance with the provisions of the Decree of the Italian Ministry of University and Research n. 1154/2021 and subsequent amendments and addenda regarding the accreditation of degree programmes.

A selection appeal may be lodged to the relevant Regional Administrative Court (TAR) within 60 days from its publication.

Administrative procedures responsible is the head of the Student Administration Office of Forlì Campus (Segreteria studenti Campus di Forlì) dott.ssa Patrizia Ussani, tel. +39 0543 374815.

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