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ALMA MATER STUDIORUM - UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA - A.Y. 2025/2026 **SEMESTERS @ BUENOS AIRES** Call for attending Semesters at the University of Bologna Campus in Buenos Aires (July 27th - December 19th 2025; February 2nd - July 4th 2026)

This is an adapted translation in English of the original Call for Applications ("Bando di Ammissione") in Italian and it is made only for publicity purposes. To enforce the call, resolve any dispute and for all legal purposes only the Italian version will be valid, and will prevail in the exact interpretation of the rules contained within.

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION AND PURPOSES

The SEMESTERS @ BUENOS AIRES project aims to offer students of the Alma Mater Studiorum - University of Bologna the opportunity to attend learning activities of the Degree Course in Business and Economics at the



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University of Bologna Campus in Buenos Aires, from the University Instituto Tecnologico de Buenos Aires (ITBA), from the Universidad Catolica Argentina (UCA) and from the Universidad Argentina de la Empresa (UADE). During the period in Argentina students will, therefore, have the opportunity to get in touch with students, companies and institutions of Latin America, through projects, presentations, visits and lectures of experts from various sectors.

The semesters will take place as follows:

July 27th - December 19th 2025 for the I semester (following the academic calendar of the Italian universities) of the a.y. 2025/26.

February 2nd - July 4th 2026 for the II semester (following the academic calendar of the Italian universities) of the a.y. 2025/26.

The learning activities will cover the entire period of the academic calendar, students, therefore, will have to take this into account when organizing of the academic fulfilments before, during and after the exchange period.

2. WHO CAN APPLY

The project is aimed at students of first cycle degree programs of the University of Bologna who have joined the project (see points 3 and 4), as indicated in this call for each semester, who at the time of application are at the second year and who will be in their third year of the Degree Course during the period in Argentina.

Students who have joined the Undergraduate project attending the first year of the course in Buenos Aires in the academic year 2023-2024, following then, with the second year of the Degree Course in Business and Economics in Bologna, are part of the quotas of the Degree Course in Business and Economics and have priority in the admission process to the third year semesters in Buenos Aires project: they will still have to apply through ALMARM indicating that they have participated in the 1st year project in Buenos Aires.

The possibility of completing both semesters in Buenos Aires is conditional on taking and passing all the exams of the 2nd year before leaving for Buenos Aires (July 27th 2025)

All other candidates enrolled in courses participating in the project will be able to apply for only one semester and must follow the procedures indicated in this announcement.

Online application opening	April 7 th 2025
Online application deadline	May 5 th 2025 at 1.00 pm
Publication of the application results	May 15 th 2025
Confirmation of interest and Learning Agreement submission	From May 15 th to May 22 nd 2025 at 1.00
	pm

TABLE OF DEADLINES for both semesters:



Publication of available replacement positions, acceptance of replacement positions and Learning Agreement submission

from May 22 $^{\rm nd}$ to May 29 $^{\rm th}$ 2025 at 1.00 pm

3.1st SEMESTER

It will take place in the period **July 27th - December 19th 2025** in Buenos Aires, corresponding to the first semester of the Italian a.y. 2025/26. The period will be proven by the arrival and departure certificates WITHIN the dates above mentioned and ACCORDING TO THE EXAM SESSIONS WHICH STUDENTS HAVE TO TAKE, under penalty of exclusion from the programme.

3.1 ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES FOR THE 1st SEMESTER

The first semester project is for **35 students** enrolled, <u>at the moment of selection</u>, to the 2nd year of the bachelor's degrees in:

- Business and Economics (CLABE 8965)
- Ingegneria Gestionale (0925)

18 of the 35 places are for students of the bachelor's degree in business and Economics;

17 places are reserved for students of the bachelor's degree in Ingegneria Gestionale. If the places of a degree course are not covered, they will be assigned to the group of the other degree course.

3.2 LEARNING ACTIVITIES PLAN FOR THE 1st SEMESTER

The programme gives the opportunity to attend, at the University of Bologna Buenos Aires Campus and at the partner campuses, lectures of learning activities included in the study plan <u>of the bachelor's degree in Business</u> <u>and Economics</u> – added either as compulsory exams (Corporate Finance) or as optional exams or student's free choice (Laboratory of Management and Gestion de Proyectos - at the partner University ITBA) (Attachment 3 - Allegato 3);

in the study plan of the Degree Course in Ingegneria Gestionale – added either as compulsory exams (Studi di Fabbricazione e Gestione dei Progetti d'Innovazione - at the partner University ITBA), or as "other educational activities" to be chosen within a group of optional courses (Laboratory of Management), or as " student's free choice courses" (Corporate Finance) (Attachment 1 - Allegato 1);

by taking the relevant assessment tests (it will be possible to take 1 or 2 exam sessions for each learning activity). Courses will be taught both in English and Spanish.



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM | DIPARTIMENTO UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA | DI SCIENZE AZIENDALI 3.3 FREQUENCY AND VERIFICATION TESTS OF THE 1st SEMESTER

For the teaching activities listed above and carried out in Buenos Aires the **attendance will be mandatory for at least 70% of the class** in order to take the exam. Students not complying with the rule of mandatory attendance will be unable to take the exam during the exchange period and will have to attend the courses again after coming

back to Italy at the end of the period in Buenos Aires. During the period of stay in Buenos Aires the student will have the possibility to take one or two exams for each learning activity.

<u>Students of the Degree Course in Ingegneria Gestionale</u> will be able to take the remaining exam sessions available in Bologna according to the calendar available for CLABE (for Corporate Finance) and at Engineering (for other courses). The contents will be those of the courses taught in Bologna, equivalent to those taught in Buenos Aires, even if the exact equality of the texts used and the exam is not guaranteed. The alignment with the tools used is the responsibility of the student.

<u>Students of the Degree Course in Business and Economics</u> will be able to take other Corporate Finance exams in Bologna, according to the calendar available of CLABE. The contents will be those of the courses taught in Bologna, equivalent to those taught in Buenos Aires, even if the exact equality of the texts used and the exam is not guaranteed. The alignment with the tools used is the responsibility of the student. On the other hand, they will not be able to take appeals in Italy for the subjects of Business Management Laboratory and Management of Innovation Projects.

It is not possible to carry out exams at the Bologna campus during the period of stay at the Buenos Aires campus and the number of total sessions available to the student is in any case referred to the rules of the individual courses.

The conversion of the grades obtained will be the responsibility of the program coordinator according to the table available in Attachment 2 – Allegato 2.

3.4 ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR THE 1st SEMESTER

With reference to the 35 places intended for students enrolled in the 2nd year <u>at the time of selection</u>, in order to apply, it is necessary:

- be regularly enrolled in the academic year 2024/25, being it the second year of the course of one of the two indicated degree courses.
- have achieved at least 45 CFU on the date specified in the call as the deadline for applications submission to participate in the selection.



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- for students not enrolled in an international course in English: have passed the English language test or relative English language exam required in their study plan or having a certification among those listed below:
 - CEFR from level B2
 - FCE - First Certificate in English;
 - BEC - Business English Certificate Vantage;
 - BEC Business English Certificate Higher;
 - IELTS (Academic) minimum 5,5/9; •
 - TOEFL valid, minimum 86/120 (if internet based);
 - CAE Certificate in Advanced English; •
 - CPE Certificate of Proficiency in English; •
 - Diploma IB (International Baccalaureate), High School degree or GCE (General Certificate of Education) in English (at least the 50% of the courses must have been conducted in English);
 - English mother-tongue

4. 2nd SEMESTER

It will take place in the period **February 2nd - July 4th 2026** in Buenos Aires, corresponding to the second semester of the Italian a.y. 2025/26. The period will be proven by the arrival and departure certificates WITHIN the dates above mentioned and ACCORDING TO THE EXAM SESSIONS WHICH STUDENTS HAVE TO TAKE, under penalty of exclusion from the programme.

4.1 ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES FOR THE 2nd SEMESTER

The second semester project is for **50 students** enrolled, at the moment of selection, to the 2nd year of the following degree programs:

- Business and Economics (CLABE) 8965
- Economia Aziendale codice (CLEA) 8871
- Economia Mercati e Istituzioni (EMI) 8038
- Economics and Finance (CLEF) 8835
- Management e Marketing (CLAMM) 8406
- Management e Marketing Gestione e Innovazione di Impresa (CLAMM GII) 8406
- Economia e Commercio (CLEC) 9202
- Management and Economics (CLAME) 5892
- Sviluppo e cooperazione internazionale (SVIC) 8890 •
- Economia del Turismo International Tourism and Leisure Industries (ITALI) 8847



20 places are for students of the Degree Course in Business and Economics (CLABE); 20 places are for students enrolled in degree programs under the Department of Business Sciences (DISA) and the Department of Economics (DSE), so CLEA, EMI, CLEF, CLAMM, CLEC, CLAME, and ITALI. 10 places are for students of the Degree Course in Sviluppo e Cooperazione (SVIC).

If there are remaining positions, they will first go to eligible students of the Degree in Business and Economics, secondly divided between the other courses (in case of an odd number, the odd place is assigned to the group of students from DISA and DSE).

4.2 LEARNING ACTIVITIES PLAN FOR THE 2nd SEMESTER

The programme gives the possibility to attend classes, at the University of Bologna Buenos Aires Campus, of two learning activities of the Business and Economics bachelor's degree – added either as compulsory exams or as optional or student's free choice exams in the study plan also of students enrolled to other Degree programs - taking the related assessment exam (the exams will be available based on the local calendar). The courses International Economics B.A. and International Marketing B.A will be taught at the Unibo campus in Buenos Aires. A third learning activity will be carried out at the UCA or UADE University and will assign 12 credits. In relation to this last subject, the exam calendar is managed according to the rules of international exchange programmes and, therefore, by the host university.

For the teaching activities listed above and carried out in Buenos Aires the **attendance will be mandatory for at least 70% of the class,** in order to take the exam. The activities **and exams taken at the partner Universities, instead, will follow their rules**. Students not complying with the rule of mandatory attendance will be unable to take the exam during the exchange period and will have to attend the courses again after coming back to Italy at the end of the period in Buenos Aires.

During the period of stay in Buenos Aires the student will have the possibility to take one or two exams for each learning activity, by **July 4th 2026**. The third possibility to take the exam will be given in Bologna in **September 2026** following the CLABE academic calendar.

If the student doesn't pass the exam in September (third and last possibility) he/she will be able to add its gain in the institutional study plan as a former learning activity.

The possible learning activities for each course are listed in the table of correspondence (Learning agreement examples). They are mandatory and cannot be changed (Attachment 4 - Allegato 4).

4.3 ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR THE 2nd SEMESTER

With reference to the 50 places intended for students enrolled in the 2nd year <u>at the time of selection</u>, it is necessary:



- be regularly enrolled in the academic year 2024/25, being it the second year of the course of one of the two indicated degree courses;
- have achieved at least 45 CFU on the date specified in the call as the deadline for applications submission to participate in the selection.
- for students not enrolled in an international course in English: have passed the English language test or relative English language exam required in their study plan or having a certification among those listed below:
 - CEFR from level B2
 - FCE First Certificate in English;
 - BEC Business English Certificate Vantage;
 - BEC Business English Certificate Higher;
 - IELTS (Academic) minimum 5,5/9;
 - TOEFL valid, minimum 86/120 (if internet based);
 - CAE Certificate in Advanced English;
 - CPE Certificate of Proficiency in English;
 - Diploma IB (International Baccalaureate), High School degree or GCE (General Certificate of Education) in English (at least the 50% of the courses must have been conducted in English);
 - English mother-tongue

5. HOW TO APPLY (FOR BOTH SEMESTERS)

- Go to AlmaRM <u>https://outgoing.unibo.it</u>
- Select the semester and follow the instructions on-line

All candidates must upload the motivation letter written in English or Spanish. It must include the motivations of the candidate to participate in the project and the consistency with the training project. Candidates not enrolled in an international course, who have not yet passed the English language "idoneità" or related English language exam required in their study plan, must attach an English language certification as indicated in points 3.4 and 4.3 or a self-certification of the language level and/or English language exam obtained in Italian universities;

Candidates who have taken part in the "Undergraduate@Buenos Aires Campus" will have to indicate it in the application, writing it in "notes".

6. RANKING CRITERIA (FOR BOTH SEMESTERS)



For the 1st SEMESTER, the ranking of the selection procedure will be based on the following criteria:

- weighted average (and normalized to the school average to which the Degree course completed belongs) of the marks obtained in the exams (75% of the weight in the evaluation). For the purpose of the calculation all the votes useful for the attainment of the qualification resulting from the *Almaesami* information system on the expiry date will be considered to present the application for this project;
- motivational letter IN ENGLISH or SPANISH (20% of the weight in the evaluation);
- proof of knowledge or self-certification of knowledge of the Spanish language (B2 required) among those listed below:
 - CEFR all levels
 - DELE all levels
 - SIELE all levels
 - CELU all levels
 - Spanish native speaker status
 - "Idoneità" in Spanish language carried out at this or other universities (certification or self-certification)
 - Spanish language exam carried out at this or other universities (certification or self-certification)

N.B.: the Spanish language certificate is not mandatory, but it will be evaluated if present, adding a 5% to the final grade.

For the 2nd SEMESTER, the ranking of the selection procedure will be based on the following criteria:

- weighted average (and normalized to the school average to which the Degree course completed belongs) of the marks obtained in the exams (75% of the weight in the evaluation). For the purpose of the calculation all the votes useful for the attainment of the qualification resulting from the Almaesami information system on the expiry date will be considered to present the application for this project;
- motivational letter IN ENGLISH OR SPANISH (25% of the weight in the evaluation);

For both semesters 100 additional points will be given to candidates who attended the "Undergraduate@Buenos Aires".

For both semesters with the same merit, priority will be given to the youngest candidate.

In the event of false declarations or use of false documents, the penal sanctions referred to in the art. 496 of the Penal Code will be applied.

7. WHEN AND HOW TO ACCEPT TO TAKE PART IN THE PROJECT (FOR BOTH SEMESTERS)



The ranking will be published on AlmaRM - https://outgoing.unibo.it. This publication will represent the only means of legal publicity on the outcome of the selection. Written communications will **not** be sent to candidates.

From May 15th to May 22nd 2025 ALL WINNERS must:

- accept the place on AlmaRM
- fill in the Learning agreement form according to the conversion tables available as attachments 1, 3 or 4 (Allegati 1, 3 or 4) to this call for application following the instructions available on AlmaRM.
 The same procedure applies from May 22nd to May 29th 2025 for any further candidates.

Winners who will not have accepted the project by the deadline will be automatically removed from the ranking without further notice.

The Commission reserves the right to re-open the deadlines for submitting applications if positions remain uncovered.

8. MANDATORY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (FOR BOTH SEMESTERS)

8.1 BEFORE DEPARTURE

- Obtain approval of the Learning Agreement from the Degree Course coordinator;
- Renew the enrolment at the University of Bologna for the academic year 2025/26;
- Request the documents necessary to start the residence permit procedures (VISA)
- Check your academic situation with the calendar of your course of study (in order to plan the graduation applications, etc.)

8.2 WHILE IN BUENOS AIRES

- Upload the signed and stamped Certificate of Stay from the Buenos Aires office on Alma RM;
- Request the end-of-period certificate signed and stamped by the Buenos Aires office;
- Request the "Transcript of Records" (or certification relating to the activities performed) for activities carried out in agreement with other universities (UADE, UCA, ITBA)
- Start the procedures for regularization of the migratory position, according to the indications provided by the Buenos Aires office under penalty of blocking the career.

8.3 AFTER COMING BACK

• Hand in the recognition request of exams and / or other activities carried out abroad.

9. PRIVACY



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