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Call for Application

for the admission to The Master's Degree

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"EAST EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES" (MIREES)

SECOND CYCLE DEGREE CLASS LM 52 – International Relations

In agreement with the Partner Universities

VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY AT KAUNAS

UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB

(Code 6751)

Website

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

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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.

Disclaimer notice: The present English version of the “East European and Eurasian Studies” a.y. 25-26 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 2025/2026, 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 the UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB (CROAZIA).

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" LM-52 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, 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.

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

- **TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES**

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 1ST INTAKE. THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE PLACES FOR THE 2ND POSSIBLE SELECTION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME THE SELECTION WILL OPEN.

THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE PLACES AND QUOTA IS REPORTED IN THE **TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES** BELOW AND IN [SECTION 1.2](#) OF THE PRESENT CALL FOR APPLICATION.

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

NON-EU CANDIDATES RESIDING ABROAD CAN ONLY PARTICIPATE IN THE 1ST 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: **35 places**

Non-EU candidates residing abroad: **15 places**

STEPS	DATES
1. Deadline for on-line application and submission of documents	By 6th MARCH 2025 h. 15:00 (CET)
2. Publication of admission ranking lists	3 APRIL 2025
3. Enrolment procedure for selected candidates	7 APRIL 2025 – 22 APRIL 2025
4. Dates for expression of interest in the clearing procedure in case of unallocated places (candidates in the waiting list select the clearance option)	7 APRIL 2025 – 22 APRIL 2025
5. Publication of the number of unallocated and available places and list of suitable candidates on the waiting list for the clearing procedure	24 APRIL 2025
6. Enrolment procedure for candidates from the waiting list for unallocated places	24 APRIL 2025 – 30 APRIL 2025
7. Deadline for graduating for enrolled students who have not completed the 1 st cycle degree	31 DECEMBER 2025

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 possible intake opening	8 APRIL 2025
2. Deadline for on-line application and submission of documents	By 8 MAY 2025 h. 15:00 (CEST)
3. Publication of admission ranking lists	29 MAY 2025
4. Enrolment procedure for selected candidates	3 JUNE 2025 - 16 JUNE 2025
5. Dates for expression of interest in the clearing procedure in case of unallocated places (candidates in the waiting list select the clearance option)	3 JUNE 2025 - 16 JUNE 2025

STEPS	DATES
6. Publication of the number of unallocated and available places and list of suitable candidates on the waiting list for the clearing procedure	18 JUNE 2025
7. Enrolment procedure for candidates from the waiting list for unallocated places	18 JUNE 2025 – 25 JUNE 2025
8. Deadline for graduating for enrolled students who have not completed the 1 st cycle degree	31 DECEMBER 2025

Candidates are invited to check regularly:

- the online service **Studenti Online** at www.studenti.unibo.it
- the institutional mailbox: name.surname@studio.unibo.it at <https://posta.studio.unibo.it> 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 2025/2026 for the admission to the Master's Degree in "East European and Eurasian Studies" (MIREES), class LM-52 is **50**, of which:

- **n. 35 places for Italian citizens, EU citizens and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status;**
- **n. 15 places for non-EU citizens resident abroad.**

The admission to the Master's Degree foresees 1 intake and a possible 2nd intake. The **50 available places** are distributed as follows:

First intake	Second possible intake
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Italian, EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates: 35 places • Non-EU citizens residing abroad: 15 places <p>The clearing procedure for unallocated places candidates in the waiting list (eligible) is foreseen.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Italian, EU and non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status candidates: residual places not assigned in the first intake. <p>The clearing procedure for unallocated places candidates in the waiting list (eligible) is foreseen.</p>

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 for unallocated places** 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: <https://www.unibo.it/en/international/Who-are-international-students>

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;

NON-EU CITIZENS with residency abroad participation guidelines

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 <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/>

In particular they are required to:

- hold a **qualification** obtained abroad that grants access to a second cycle degree in Italy;
- apply for the **pre-enrolment application** to the Italian Embassy/Consulate in the student's country of residence through **Universitaly portal** (<https://www.universitaly.it/>) and request a Student Visa. Only one course of study can be selected, and international students must be admitted to that course.
- 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 www.universitaly.it at the Italian Embassy-Consulate within the deadline annually established and published at <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/>.

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

- <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/international-experiences/you-are-an-international-student-wishing-to-study-at-Unibo>
- <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-foreign-qualification>

All **students interested in enrolling** in the Master's Degree in *East European and Eurasian Studies* must **participate in the selection process** according to the methods outlined in this Call for Application.

Candidates with a **previous university career** or who are **simultaneously enrolled in 2 degrees**, before applying for the selection or before transferring or requesting a course shortening if they are selected, are **invited to check the conditions for admission to the second year of the program**.

In the academic year 25/26, only the **first year** of the new Master's Degree in East European and Eurasian Studies (**code 6751**) will be offered. Therefore, if a student enrolled in the program obtains recognition for sufficient credits, admission to the second year will only be possible in the previous Master's Degree in *East European and Eurasian Studies* (**code 5911**).

The course structure diagram and study plan are available on the Masters' Degree website <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees/course-structure-diagram>.

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-10 Humanities	L-37 Peace studies
L-11 Modern languages and civilisations	L-40 Sociology
L-12 Linguistic mediation	L-42 History
L-20 Communication	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/01, SPS/03, SPS/04, SPS/05, SPS/06, SPS/07, SPS/08, SPS/11, SPS/14, SECS-P/01, SECS-P/02, SECS-S/01, SECS-S/04, SECS-S/05, M-FIL/06, M-GGR/01, M-GGR/02, M-PSI/05, M-STO/02, M-STO/03, M-STO/04, IUS/13, IUS/14, IUS/20, L-LIN/19, L-LIN/21

https://www.cun.it/uploads/storico/settori_scientifico_disciplinari_english.pdf

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 [TIMETABLE OF DEADLINES](#) with reference to their own intake and pay the tuition fees due **PROVIDED THEY OBTAIN THE BACHELOR'S (FIRST CYCLE) DEGREE WITHIN 31 DECEMBER 2025.**

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: <https://centri.unibo.it/cla/it/riconoscimento-idoneita-linguistica>
- TOEFL-paper-based min. 550 points;
- Trinity GESE 7-9;
- 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 / General Training), at the application stage may indicate the Test Report Form Number.

OR

- **Min. B2 level English OOPT - Oxford Online Placement Test** obtained at the University of Bologna Language Centre (CLA)
 - on **5 March 2025, at 10:00 a.m (CET) for the 1st intake**
 - on **7 May 2024, at 10:00 a.m (CET) for the second possible intake**

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 didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it within 5 days from**

the test date in order to allow the offices to sign them up to the test. For further details please see [Section 1.5](#)

- Min. English B2 level OOPT TEST obtained at the University of Bologna Language Centre (CLA), at the Department of Interpretation and Translation at Forlì Campus or other University of Bologna Department for the admission to another Master's Degree for the academic year 2025/2026 or the previous a.y. 2024/2025.

OR

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

- Be a native English speaker (due to linguistic or educational background) with documented nationality from the following countries Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, UK and USA;
- applicants who have obtained or are about to obtain a first-cycle degree / Bachelor's Degree entirely taught in English (to be documented)

Applicants who do not hold any of the above mentioned 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 for that intake 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 3 February 2025 to 6 March 2025 at 15:00 (CET) for the first intake;

From 8 April 2025 to 8 May 2024 at 15:00 (CEST) for the second possible intake.

In order to apply candidates will need to:

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

Non-Italian students who do not hold an Italian ID may log in with UNIBO account; in order to obtain it enter **Studenti Online** (www.studenti.unibo.it) 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

The self-certification of the academic title for admission is automatically acquired for graduates and graduating students of the University of Bologna; graduates and graduating students from other universities must fill out the 'Courses Taken' table to apply (see [point 5](#) below).

ONLY 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 above-mentioned 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 obtained or to be obtained. In order to complete the admission request, candidates will have to specify the list of exams passed in the 'Courses Taken' table in their previous career. The application can be updated up to the selection deadline. "It is not necessary to attach any additional document regarding the courses completed during the academic career; for the purposes of the selection, only the courses listed in the aforementioned 'Courses Taken' table will be considered."
- **candidates who have obtained a University degree abroad:** during the application process, it is mandatory to indicate the University Degree achieved or to be achieved. Please make sure to insert all the exams and credits passed during the previously indicated qualification in the 'Courses Taken' table. The application can be updated up to the selection deadline. In this case, it is necessary to attach in the appropriate section the documents related to the degree issued by the foreign University awarding the title.

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 help.studentionline@unibo.it.

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 [SECTION 1.3](#), 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 2025, at 10:00 a.m (CET) for the 1st intake**,
- on **7 May 2024, at 10:00 a.m (CEST) for the second possible intake**

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 didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it within 5 days from the test date** in order to allow the offices to sign them up to the test. For further details please see [Section 1.3](#)

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 Department for Interpreting and Translation (DIT) 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 ases.adattamentiammissione@unibo.it.

Candidates will not receive any certificate nor attestation as the OOPT will not grant any English Language certificate; 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:

1. **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:

$$[(\text{Exams weighted average} - 18) \times 45/11,5]$$

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/20 PHILOSOPHY OF LAW
IUS/21 COMPARATIVE PUBLIC LAW
L-LIN/19 FINNO-UGRIC PHILOLOGY
L-LIN/21 SLAVIC STUDIES
M-FIL/06 HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY
M-GGR/02 GEOGRAPHY
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
SECS-S/01 STATISTICS
SECS-S/04 DEMOGRAPHY
SECS-S/05 SOCIAL STATISTICS
M-PSI/05 SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY
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 equal score, the priority will be given to the youngest.

The ranking lists will be posted:

on 3rd April 2025 for the first intake,

on 29^h May 2025 for the second possible intake

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

PLEASE NOTE: In compliance with privacy regulations, the final rankings are made anonymous, without displaying the candidates' names. The ranking position can be verified using the provisional matriculation number assigned through **Studenti online** upon registration for the selection."

SECOND PART- ENROLMENT AND CLEARING PROCEDURE

2.1 – ENROLMENT

By the following mandatory deadlines selected candidates must enrol:

From 7 April to 22 April 2025 for the first intake,

From 3 June to 16 June 2025 for the second possible intake,

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

- **Connect to Studenti Online** on the website www.studenti.unibo.it by using the **SPID** credentials or the User ID (name.surname@studio.unibo.it) 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** on PagoPA platform or alternatively the full annual fee by a single instalment according to the methods indicated at **Studenti Online** www.studenti.unibo.it. Failure to pay the tuition fee within the deadline will entail being excluded from the procedure. **No late fee payment is admitted.**
- **THE STUDENT'S CAREER HAS TO BE ACTIVATED BY 26 FEBRUARY 2026** 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.

- If the student has registered for the selection using SPID or CIE, after making the payment, their identity will be automatically validated.
- If the student has registered for the selection using a username and password, they must proceed with the identification according to the instructions provided in the enrollment request details on **Studenti Online** (www.studenti.unibo.it).

With the activation of their academic career, students are authorized to carry out typical university activities and use the available services, such as submitting the study plan, booking exams, accessing the Wi-Fi network, library and online educational resources, and the IT LAB (LABIC) of the campus, using the MyUnibo app, and completing any other procedures related to their academic career.

An email will also be sent with a QR code that allows the printing of the **badge**.

After identification, the activation of the academic career will take place automatically, except in the following cases where additional steps need to be taken:

- a) **NON-EU CITIZENS WITH EU EQUIVALENT STATUS WHO HAVE OBTAINED THEIR ACCESS QUALIFICATION IN ITALY** must send a copy of their valid residence permit that allows the equivalence to the email address segforli@unibo.it. If they have obtained their academic qualification abroad, they must upload the residence permit along with the other documents related to the foreign qualification on **Studenti Online** (www.studenti.unibo.it) in the section "*Enrollment a.y. 25_26_upload of documents for international students and those with foreign qualifications,*" as indicated below in letter b).

ATTENTION: It is strongly recommended to carefully check on the webpage <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/who-are-international-students/Who-are-international-students> what is meant by "**non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status**" and which are the types of residence permits that ensure the equivalence. Participation to the selection process as a **non-EU citizens with EU equivalent status** without holding the relevant permit that ensures equivalence will not allow the completion of the enrollment, including in the case of successful admission and payment of the first installment.

- b) **STUDENTS HOLDING A FOREIGN QUALIFICATION** must consult the detailed information at <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-foreign-qualification>. The documentation used for the admission request must be officially translated and, if required, verified for authenticity and value.

Connect to **Studenti Online** (www.studenti.unibo.it), enter in the section “CALLS”, then select “MATRICULATION FOR THE 25_26 ACADEMIC YEAR - DOCUMENT UPLOAD FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WITH FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS”, upload a copy of the foreign qualification and make an appointment with the Student Administration Office / *Segreteria Studenti* of Forlì by sending an email to segforli@unibo.it to hand in their original degree documents.

- c) **NON-EU CANDIDATES RESIDING ABROAD** shall check all relevant information on <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/enrolling-in-second-cycle-degree-programmes/enrolling-in-a-second-cycle-degree-programme-if-you-come-from-a-non-eu-country> In the case of a foreign qualification, the documentation used for the admission request must be officially translated and, if required, verified for authenticity and value.

connect to **Studenti Online** (www.studenti.unibo.it), enter in the section “CALLS”, then select “MATRICULATION FOR THE 25_26 ACADEMIC YEAR - DOCUMENT UPLOAD FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WITH FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS”, upload a copy of the foreign qualification and a copy of the entry VISA for Study. Upon arrival in Italy students shall make an appointment with the Student Administration Office / *Segreteria Studenti* of Forlì by sending an email to segforli@unibo.it to hand in their original degree documents as well as a 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);

ATTENTION: Admission and validation of the pre-enrolment with or without conditions by the University do not confer any right to complete the enrolment, even in the case of obtaining the Entry Visa, physical presence in Italy, eligibility, and/or actual award of scholarships or contributions of any kind. For enrollment purposes, it will be necessary to verify the actual eligibility of the foreign qualification and the authenticity of the documentation submitted. The formal verification of the qualification will be carried out by the Student Administration Office of Forlì after the payment of the first installment of the enrollment fee and the submission of the original documentation required.

- d) **SELECTED CANDIDATES WHO HAVE NOT OBTAINED THEIR ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION, YET,** can enrol according to the methods and deadlines mentioned above **provided that the entry academic qualification is obtained by 31 December 2025.**

Upon **obtaining the Bachelor’s (First Cycle degree) at the University of Bologna**, the academic qualification will be automatically retrieved and the academic career activated.

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

Nevertheless, In case the degree was awarded abroad, the students will have to upload the documents on **Studenti Online** matriculation request section and contact the Student Administration Office / *Segreteria Studenti* of Forlì to show the original documents as described above.

Failure to graduate by **31 December 2025** deadline or in case of false declarations, the candidate loses the right to enrol on this Master's Degree programme even in case the career is under condition.

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 27th, 2025 shall apply for a **SHORTENED DEGREE PROGRAMME** according to the detailed procedure at <http://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/shortening-of-the-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>;

- **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 22 April 2025** for the first intake and by **16 June 2025** 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 22 April 2025 for the first intake and by 16 June 2025 for the second possible intake.**

Afterwards, from **24 July 2025 to 20 November 2025** they shall complete the transfer on **Studenti Online**.

Information on **SIMULTANEOUS ENROLMENT IN 2 DIFFERENT COURSES OF STUDY** as provided for by Italian law no. 33 of 12 April 2022 is available here: <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/simultaneous-enrolment-in-different-courses>

If a student enrol in one course and, subsequently, is admitted to another but does not wish to maintain enrolment in both courses, he/she should not enroll in both simultaneously but:

- If both courses are at the University of Bologna: request a course transfer;
- If the course they are transferring from is at another university: request an incoming transfer.

Alternatively, renounce the current course of studies and proceed with a new enrolment.

2.2 – CLEARING PROCEDURE FOR UNALLOCATED PLACES

The clearing procedure for unallocated places **is foreseen both in the first and 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 each intake, all eligible candidates who are placed after the last selected candidate, **must express their interest in the clearing procedure for unallocated places**

- **from 7 April 2025 to 22 April 2025** for the first intake;
- **from 3 June 2025 to 16 June 2025** in the second possible intake.

In order to participate in the clearing procedure for unallocated places:

1. **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.

ATTENTION:

the candidates who will not express their interest in the clearing procedure for unallocated places 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 www.studenti.unibo.it, in the detail page of the admission request as the only legal means of communication on

- **24 April 2025 for the 1st intake**
- **18 June for the 2nd possible intake**

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 24 April 2025 to 30 April 2025 for the 1st intake,

From 18 June 2025 to 25 June 2025 for the 2nd possible intake,

Candidates admitted to the clearing procedure who do not intend to enroll are kindly invited to send a written communication to didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it, through the Unibo email address name.surname@studio.unibo.it 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 e-mail 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 20 November 2025**.

2.3– REGISTRATION FEES AND TUITION FEES

Information on The amount of the annual tuition fees and the calculation system of the fees on the basis of the student's economic conditions are published on the University website at <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/fees-and-exemptions-amounts-deadlines>

The fee to be paid to register for a degree programme consists of a fixed amount of €157.04 that you have to pay even if you are fully exempt and a variable amount calculated according to the economic situation of your family (ISEE) up to a maximum amount that varies depending on the course of study.

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 <https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/tuition-fees>.

Attention: International students with income and assets solely abroad cannot submit the ISEE, but must refer to the information available on the page <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/degree-programmes/tuition-fees-and-exemptions/ISEE-and-other-documentation-for-tuition-fee-exemptions>

STUDY RIGHTS BENEFITS PROVIDED BY ER.GO.

ER.GO – the Regional Authority for the Right to Higher Education publishes every year on www.er-go.it a Call for Application for scholarship, accommodation, food and other benefits.

The procedures to request benefits from ER.GO are independent from the application and enrolment to a degree. It is necessary to apply to www.er-go.it, upload the ISEE even if the student has not made the final decision to enrol, yet in a Master's degree of the University of Bologna. The Call for applications have mandatory deadlines and no exceptions are admitted.

Important Information for students with an active university career

Candidates already enrolled in other courses of study, before transferring from another Italian university or from another course at the University of Bologna, must carefully check the merit requirements for access to the benefits indicated in the ER.GO 2025/2026 notice. This is because, due to the recognition of credits (CFU) earned in their previous career, their position may change regarding access to benefits.

For all ER.GO benefits, the minimum number of CFU required as a merit requirement is always determined starting from the year of first enrollment at the university (even if it was at another university, higher education institutions, or study programs, including abroad), regardless of the year of study to which students are admitted following the recognition of CFU. Only the CFU recognized for the new course are considered valid.

Benefits of the right to study provided by the University

Information on the benefits provided by the University of Bologna can be found on the University Portal in the section <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/study-grants-and-subsidies/scholarships-and-funding-opportunities>. For each benefit, the instructions on how to apply and the deadlines are provided. The deadlines are mandatory, and no exceptions are allowed.

Students with a civil disability certificate of 66% or higher, or with certification under Law 104/92, in order to be entitled to the exemption described on the page <https://www.unibo.it/en/study/study-grants-and-subsidies/exemptions-for-disabled-students> must send an email to segforli@unibo.it to the Student Administration Office / *Segreteria Studenti* of Forlì sending the certificate confirming their conditions.

2.4– FINAL INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Any notice on the admission and enrolment procedure will be published on **Studenti Online** at www.studenti.unibo.it

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

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.

OFFICES:

For information on the call for applications:

MIREES Programme Coordinator - Daniela Farinelli

Ufficio Gestione Corsi di Studio Scienze Politiche e Sociali

Via G. Della Torre 1, 47121 Forlì

Ph. +39 0543 374126; e-mail didatticaforli.mirees@unibo.it; <https://corsi.unibo.it/2cycle/mirees>

Student Administration Office of Forlì Campus (Segreteria studenti Campus di Forlì)

Padiglione Melandri, Piazzale Solieri 1, 47121 Forlì

E-mail segforli@unibo.it;

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 Bologna (CLA - Centro Linguistico di Ateneo)

Forlì branch, Via Lombardini 5, 47121 Forlì

E-mail cla.fo-segreteria@unibo.it

Contacts: <https://centri.unibo.it/cla/it/contatti/segreterie-studenti-del-cla>

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

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:

Student Administration Office of Forlì Campus (Segreteria studenti Campus di Forlì)

Padiglione Melandri, Piazzale Solieri 1, 47121 Forlì

E-mail segforli@unibo.it;

Contacts <https://www.unibo.it/en/campus-forli/campus-services/student-administration-office-1>

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

E-mail ases.contribuzionistudentesche@unibo.it

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:

Via Marsala, 49 – Bologna;

for adapted admission (OOPT):

ases.adattamentiammissione@unibo.it

contacts: <https://site.unibo.it/studenti-con-disabilita-e-dsa/en>

The contact details of the **OTHER STUDENT SERVICES OF FORLÌ CAMPUS** are available at

<https://www.unibo.it/en/campus-forli/campus-services/campus-services-1>

OFFICE CLOSURES

National holidays (www.unibo.it/CalendarioAccademico)

- 4 February 2025;
- 21 April 2025;
- 25 April 2025;
- 01 May 2025;
- 02 June 2025;
- from 11 August to 15 August 2025;
- 08 December 2025.

In case of any further office closures, they will be notified on the University website at www.unibo.it