CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE FIRST CYCLE DEGREE PROGRAMME IN
MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGY (CLASS L-2)

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/2018

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HAVING REGARD TO

Law no. 264 of 02 August 1999 regulating access to university programmes;

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Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 24, “Amendments to the regulations on the educational autonomy of universities” (Modifiche al regolamento recante norme concernenti l’autonomia didattica degli atenei) approved with Decree of the Minister for Universities and Scientific and Technological Research no. 509 of 3 November 1999;

HAVING REGARD TO

The decisions of the responsible academic bodies concerning admission procedures;

DECREES

A competition for admission to the first cycle degree programmes in Medical Biotechnology for the 2017/2018 academic year.

Art. 1 - Admission requirements

Applicants with an upper secondary school diploma or equivalent qualification obtained abroad can take the admission exam.

Foreign qualifications are valid if obtained after at least 12 years of schooling. If the local education system provides 11 or 10 years of schooling, the qualification is valid if supplemented by one or two years of university study, respectively, and if all exams scheduled for the years attended have been passed. The years of university study can be substituted by a post-secondary qualification awarded by a non-university higher education institute. Further information about the foreign qualifications valid for access to University is
contained in the relevant annual Ministerial provisions, in particular in the attachments 1 and 2, published on the Ministry website: http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/.

The eligibility of the foreign qualification in any case is assessed by the University having regard to the ministerial instructions on the subject and in implementation of bilateral applicable agreements.

EU and non-EU citizens with qualifications obtained abroad who hold a Residence Permit issued in accordance with art. 26 of law no. 189 of 30 July 2002 have access to university education under the same conditions as Italian students.

Citizens of Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, the Republic of San Marino, refugees and beneficiaries of subsidiary protection, personnel serving in foreign diplomatic missions and in international bodies with headquarters in Italy - accredited by the Italian State or the Holy See - as well as their dependent family members (spouses and children only) are considered equivalent to EU citizens.

Non-EU applicants resident abroad access with the procedures and the limitations provided by the mentioned ministerial instructions.

Art. 2 - Number of places available

The number of places available for enrolment on the first at the degree programme in Medical Biotechnology is determined in 100 places, plus 5 places reserved for non-EU students resident abroad.

Art. 3 - Registering for the admission exam and deadlines

All applicants must register for the admission exam online starting from 17 July 2017 and by no later than 12 noon on 28 August 2017.

To register, applicants must follow the procedure below:

1. Register on the University portal through the page https://www.unimi.it/registrazione/ENG/registra.keb (not required of those already registered on the portal or in possession of University login credentials)
2. Access the online application services using their credentials: http://www.unimi.it/hpsifa/ENG/nonProfiledPage_100.html;
3. Pay the € 30.00 fee in one of the following ways:
   - using the “MAV” (notice of payment) form generated at the end of the online registration procedure;
   - by credit card (the only accepted payment method for resident abroad applicants).

Without exception and on pain of exclusion, payment must be made by the deadline for registration.
The online admission form cannot be amended, nor it can be completed with additional documentations once it has been submitted.

A receipt (application for admission) is issued at the end of the online enrolment procedure and must be shown to the examining committee on the day of the exam. The receipt is the only document accepted as proof of registration for the admission exam.

Applicants who provide false details will be excluded from the final ranking list

Applicants with an upper secondary school diploma obtained abroad must upload their qualification and an eligible certification which demonstrates the final grade and the minimum and maximum possible grades of the system of grades applied (Eg: “Dichiarazione di valore in loco” issued by the Italian Embassy in the country where the qualification was awarded, certificate issued by the school attesting the final grade or the grades of every subjects of the last year of upper secondary school, if the system does not foresee a unique final grade).

Besides online university enrolment, non-EU applicants resident abroad, must also present an application for pre-enrolment to the Italian diplomatic office in their country of origin, in accordance with the methods and deadlines set out in current provisions regarding the enrolment of foreign students in university programmes published on the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research webpage: http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/.

Art. 4 - Disabled applicants

In order to ensure equal opportunities during the exam, applicants with disabilities who require extra time and/or specific aids - if in possession of a certificate of legal disability and/or acknowledgement of status of handicap under law 104/92 - must provide specific application (available at the following link: http://www.unimi.it/cataloghi/segreterie/Application_disabled.pdf) together with the above-mentioned certificate issued by the National Health Service or accredited specialists or facilities.

The scanned documents must be uploaded during the online admission procedure, by the 28 August 2017.

Art. 5 - Applicants with SLD

To the applicants with a diagnosis of specific learning disabilities (SLD) under law no. 170/2010 is granted an extra time until the 30% more time than that set for the other applicants. The committee will evaluate the received applications and, in order to ensure equal opportunities during the exam, will be able to consent the use of other compensatory tools taking into consideration the type of test to be taken and the type/degree of the candidate’s disability.
To be accorded the abovementioned measures, applicants with SLD must provide specific application (available at the following link: http://www.unimi.it/cataloghi/segreterie/Application_sld.pdf) together with appropriate certification issued by the National Health Service or accredited specialists or facilities (issued no more than three years earlier if the applicant was underage at the time of the issuance of the certification).

The scanned documents must be uploaded during the online admission procedure, by the 28 August 2017.

Art. 6 - Students transferring from other degree programmes, other Universities or graduates

Students already enrolled on a Biotechnology degree programme at the University of Milan are not required to sit the admission exam.

Students who are already enrolled on other degree programmes at the University of Milan, studying at other Universities or graduates, are, on the other hand, required to sit the admission exam and, if transferring from another University, must submit self-certification showing exams taken and relative credits by 28 August 2017, to allow the appropriate academic body sufficient time to verify their previous studies for the purpose of allowing their admission to a year other than the first year.

This scanned documentation must be uploaded during the online admission procedure.

Students transferring from other degree programmes at the University of Milan or from other Universities who wish to study for the degree in Medical Biotechnology, may be admitted on to years other than the first year provided that in their previous degree course they have obtained at least 20 credits deemed valid by the Teaching Committee, for the purpose of recognition of previous studies.

Art. 7 - Admission exam schedule and procedure

The admission exam will take place on 7 September 2017 at the Teaching Sectors in Via Celoria 20 and Via Golgi 19 (entrances at Via Celoria 26 and Via Golgi 19).

Candidates must arrive at 9 am bearing the valid identity document indicated during exam registration. The 90 minute exam will begin once candidate identification procedures are completed.

During the exam candidates cannot leave the room, use handwritten notes, texts of any kind, calculators or anything else specified before the start of the exam.

The committee and the supervisory staff will ensure that the abovementioned rules are observed and can adopt the necessary measures in case of non-observance of the same. For any matters not covered in this announcement, the provisions on the conduct of public competitions apply.
Art. 8 - Examining committee

The examining committee is appointed by the appropriate academic body.

During the exam the committee will be assisted by teaching and administrative staff, who will be responsible for supervising and identifying candidates.

Art. 9 - Examination programme and assessment criteria

The exam consists in a multiple choice questionnaire aimed at ascertaining applicants’ knowledge and competence in the areas of Logic, Fundamentals of Mathematics, Understanding of Scientific Texts, General Culture, including general Biology and Chemistry topics.

Points are assigned as follows:

- Correct answer: 1 point
- No answer, crossed out or illegible answer: 0 points
- Wrong answer: minus 0.25 points.

The ranking list in order of merit, for each degree programme, will be drawn up according to the following criteria:

- Overall score;
- in the event of two or more applicants with the same score, priority will be given to the applicant with the higher score in Understanding of Scientific Texts;
- in the event of two or more applicants with the same score after the score in Understanding of Scientific Texts has been taken into account, priority will be given to the applicant with the higher score in General Culture;
- in the event of two or more applicants with the same score after the score in General Culture has been taken into account, priority will be given to the applicant with the higher score in their secondary school leaving exam.

Art. 10 - Enrolment

10.1 Ranking lists and enrolment of place winners

The ranking list will be published on the University website, at the following page: www.unimi.it - Servizi online SIFA - Graduatorie ammissione corsi di laurea (http://www.unimi.it/hpsifa/nonProfiledPage_100.html) from 19 September 2017.

Publication of the ranking lists constitutes official notification to those concerned.

Based on the number of places available, place winners of the competitions must enrol online by midday, 25 September 2017, as indicated on the website http://www.unimi.it/studenti/matricole/77604.htm.
Not enrolling within the prescribed period the candidate will operate an implicit waiver and his place will become available for the following selections in accordance with the order of the ranking list.

10.2 First updating of ranking list

Places left vacant after the deadline for enrolment described in 10.1 are assigned to the next students in the ranking list and will be published on the website www.unimi.it - Servizi online SIFA - Graduatorie ammissione corsi di laurea (http://www.unimi.it/hpsifa/nonProfiledPage_100.html) as of 5 October 2017.

Applicants admitted for the places available must enrol by 12 noon on 9 October 2017, in accordance with the procedures published at http://www.unimi.it/studenti/matricole/77604.htm.

Following possible updating of the ranking list will be notified as from 12 October 2017 on the website: www.unimi.it - Servizi online Sifa - Graduatorie ammissione corsi di laurea.

10.3 Applicants with qualifications gained abroad

Applicants with qualifications gained abroad who enrolled online as indicated above must deliver the following documentation (show original and lodge photocopy) to the Ufficio studenti internazionali - Via Santa Sofia 9/1, Milan - by the deadlines indicated above:

- Upper secondary school diploma, translated into Italian, legalized by the authorities in the country where the qualification was issued and carrying a Dichiarazione di valore; or statement of validity issued by ENIC_NARIC centres or by diplomatic missions resident in Italy;
- Certificate of enrolment at university with a list of the exams taken, or certificate of post-secondary education obtained in a non-university higher education Institute if the local education system provides less than 12 years of schooling;
- Certificate of academic eligibility if provided for in the country of origin;
- Any other document stating specific requirements of validity of the title (e.g. Aps for the United States titles, A-level for British titles);
- Valid residence permit (only for non-EU citizens).

Verification of the validity of qualifications gained abroad is conducted on presentation of the official documents. Until then, applicants are admitted to the programme conditionally and may be excluded from the ranking list if they prove not to have the necessary qualifications.

Non-EU candidates resident abroad must sit for and pass the Italian language test organised by the University, as indicated at: http://www.unimi.it/studenti/foreign_students/23986.htm#c36777.
Art. 11 - Procedure Manager and contacts

Pursuant to law no. 241 of 7 August 1990, the manager of the procedure related to this announcement is Mr Giuseppe Boffi (Head of the Secretary’s Office Medicine and Surgery, Sports Science and Schools of Specialization).

For any further information regarding the content of the call please use the Infostudenti service (www.unimi.infostudente.it) by selecting the category: Test, bandi e graduatorie.

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