

# SELECTION CALL FOR DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAM MOBILITY DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023

The University of Milan- UNIMI has established an agreement with **Queen Mary University London**- QMUL for the activation of a Double Degree program of "LLM in Law and Sustainable Development" at UNIMI and master's programs at QMUL, namely, the "LLM in International Economic Law", the "LLM in Environmental Law", the "LLM in Energy and Natural Resources Law", the "LLM in Human Rights" or the "LLM in Commercial and Corporate Law".

On the basis of the agreement, n° 2 places are available to study abroad at partner university.

# Study program provisions

The study abroad period will last one academic year, and will take place during the second year of Master Degree. It will be recognized as part of the academic program.

The "LLM in Sustainable Development" at UNIMI is a second-level university program lasting two years for a total of 120 ECTS credits.

The "LLM in International Economic Law", the "LLM in Environmental Law", the "LLM in Energy and Natural Resources Law", the "LLM in Human Rights" and the "LLM in Commercial and Corporate Law" at QMUL are second-level university programs, each of which lasts one year and is worth 180 QMUL credits (corresponding to 90 ECTS credits).

The study abroad period will be agreed and formalized through a Learning Agreement signed between the academic coordinators of both Universities (Home and Host Institution) and the student, prior to departure. A draft of L.A. will be provided.

UNIMI students taking part in the Double Degree program will simultaneously be recognized as QMUL students registered in either the "LLM in International Economic Law" or the "LLM in Environmental Law" or the "LLM in Energy and Natural Resources Law" or the "LLM in Human Rights" or the "LLM in Commercial and Corporate Law".

The participants will also write their Master's dissertation under the co-direction of supervisors of partner university and UNIMI.



#### **Admission requirements**

Applicants must be regularly enrolled, in the current academic year, as first-year students in the Sustainable Development course.

UNIMI students selected for the Double Degree international program will enrol at QMUL in one LLM after paying the standard tuition fees (a 10% partner student discount is available).

The following eligibility requirements must be satisfied when applying:

a. applicants must meet the following English language requirements:

Direct Entry (no pre-sessional)	IELTS 7.0 (Writing 7.0; Reading 5.5; Listening 5.5; Speaking 5.5) or TOEFL 100 (Writing 27-28; Reading 8-12; Speaking 16-17)
5 week pre-sessional English required	IELTS 6.5 (Writing 6.5; Reading 5.5; Listening 5.5; Speaking 5.5) or TOEFL 79-93 (Writing 24-26; Reading 8-12; Speaking 16-17)
9 week pre-sessional English required	IELTS 6.5 (Writing 6.0; Reading 5.5; Listening 5.5; Speaking 5.5) or TOEFL 79-93 (Writing 21-23; Reading 8-12; Speaking 16-17)

applicants must have earned at least half of the ECTS credits associated with the first term courses and the other compulsory learning activities of the Sustainable Development program;

the applicants' weighted cumulative grade point average for courses and other learning activities as in point b. above, must be no less than 25/30.

# **Mobility requirements**

Selected students must be regularly enrolled in their second year of the above-mentioned study program for the a.y. 2022-2023. Students more than one year behind their study program (fuori corso) cannot participate to the mobility.

The status of student, guaranteed by the regular payment of UNIMI fees, must be maintained for the entire duration of the study period abroad.



A selected candidate will be allowed to spend her/his second year at the host University only if she/he has earned a minimum of 60 ECTs credits assigned to courses and other compulsory learning activities of the first-year Sustainable Development program.

Attention: should it not be allowed to reach the destination country, upon the consent of the Partner University, the exchange program will be held on a virtual basis.

### **Application procedure**

Applicants must fill in and sign the application form for admission to the international Double Degree program between UNIMI and QMUL.

Applicants must submit their application through the platform <u>elixForms</u>.

Documents required are the following:

- 1. updated CV (pdf or jpeg);
- 2. motivation letter, addressed to the Coordinator of Double Degree program (pdf);
- 3. transcript of undergraduate/graduate academic career, including the *matricola* number, the grades obtained in all the exams taken up until the date of the application submission and the final grade for the graduation (screenshot of the relevant UNIMIA page- pdf/jpeg). Students that have graduated in a different University than UNIMI must fill up the form **Dichiarazione sostitutiva di iscrizione, conseguimento titolo, esami (box 2)** or, if available, the certification issued by the University where they graduated, with the information related to their undergraduate degree and career records;
- 4. IELTS certificate or TOEFL certificates. Minimum grade point accepted: IELTS 6.5 or other tests' grade points corresponding to IELTS's (pdf or jpeg);
- 5. any other document or qualification deemed relevant to the selection.

#### **Application deadline**

All the documents required must be sent by **March 25th**, **2022** at **12 pm** (Italian local time), under penalty of exclusion from the selection.



# **Selection procedures**

The applications will be assessed by a selection committee, composed by Professors: Antonia Baraggia, Gherardo Carullo, Virginia Cecchini Manara and Benedetta Cappiello (alternate member).

The committee will interview the applicants via videoconference on the platform Microsoft Teams. The applicants will be notified on the date of the interview.

Participation in the interview is mandatory, under penalty of exclusion from the selection procedure.

After completing the interviews, the committee will rank the candidates according to their merit.

For each candidate the overall score will be obtained by summing up the following partial scores:

- 1. academic career (up to 50/100);
- 2. curriculum vitae (up to 20/100);
- 3. motivation letter (up to 15/100);
- 4. proficiency in English according to IELTS or TOEFL certificates (up to 15/100).

Only candidates achieving an overall score of at least 75/100 will qualify for the Double Degree program.

#### **Selection results**

The final ranking will be published online on the UNIMI website <u>here</u> by **April**, **8**<sup>th</sup>, **2022**. No personal communication will be sent to the candidates.

The positions of winners of the ranking will be automatically confirmed as selected candidates. Any withdrawal must be sent within 3 days from the online publication of the ranking, through this <u>link</u>.

Ufficio Mobilità internazionale e per la Promozione internazionale (The Office) will contact any eligible student who will replace the renouncer in the ranking.

The Office will send the data of the selected candidates to the Host Universities for final approval.



All the information necessary for this purpose will be communicated by e-mail. It will be the responsibility of the selected student to carefully check the e-mail address communicated at the time of application: it is recommended to use an address clearly showing name and surname.

Following the publication of the selection results, selected students must enter the program by:

- 1) filling up a Learning Agreement.
- 2) registering in QMUL as "partner-student".

# **Insurance coverage**

Exchange students will be covered with UNIMI civil liability insurance and accident insurance exclusively during the performance of their study activities at the Host University. Accordingly, they will personally provide for a general civil liability and accident insurance as well as medical insurance coverage during their stay abroad.

# **Mobility costs**

Travel and living costs (room and board, local transport, etc.), for the visa and health insurance will be borne by the student.

#### **Financial aspects**

Selected students must have paid tuition fees to UNIMI in academic year 2021-2022. They will be waived all academic fees for academic year 2022-2023 except for regional taxes and administrative tuition fees. When enrolling at QMUL in academic year 2022-2023 they will pay standard QMUL tuition fees. They are eligible for the QMUL 10% partner-student discount. The 10% discount cannot be combined with any other QMUL scholarships or discounts.

The University of Milan will award a grant according to the student's income, based on ISEE statement as already submitted to Divisione Segreterie Studenti. For information purposes only, below are specified the awarding criteria. The

Administrative Board will soon approve by decrete the criteria and amounts updated to 2021/2022.

ISEE	Monthly allowance
less or equal to 13.000 euros	500 euros
from 13.000 to 21.000 euros	450 euros
from 21.000 to 26.000 euros	400 euros
from 26.000 to 30.000 euros and further	350 euros

The amount of the grant corresponds to the actual period of mobility spent abroad. Should it last shorter than that established by the call will result in a partial refund of the grant itself.

# **Confidentiality**

Pursuant to EU Regulation 2016/679 "RGPD" and Legislative Decree no. 196/2003 and ss. mm. ii, with regard to the protection of personal data, the Institution undertakes to respect the confidential nature of the information provided by the Participant: all data provided will be processed only for the purposes connected and instrumental to participation in the Program. Information on the implementation of legislation on the processing of personal data is available on the <u>University website</u> at: Home> University> Regulations> Privacy.

#### **Information and contacts**

For information concerning Brexit, please consult the dedicated section on QMUL website, here.

Further information on didactic issues will be provided by the academic coordinator, <u>Professor Antonia Baraggia</u>.

For information on administrative issues students are invited to contact the Office, e-mail: <a href="mailto:international.education@unimi.it">international.education@unimi.it</a>.

For information on administrative issues related to academic Double Degree career, students are invited to contact International Students and Double Degree Programme Office, <a href="mailto:doubledegree@unimi.it">doubledegree@unimi.it</a>.

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