



Migration Studies and New Societies

Migration Days (17-22 May, 2021)

Call for applications

International and cross-disciplinary collaboration in higher education is one of the central objectives of the 4EU+ European University Alliance ([4EU+ Alliance \(4euplus.eu\)](https://4euplus.eu)).

The 4EU+ Project “*Migration Studies and New Societies*”, which is coordinated by the University of Milan in cooperation with Charles University - Prague, Sorbonne University - Paris, and the University of Warsaw, aims at developing teaching projects on migration related issues.

To implement the Project, promote an in-depth reflection and stimulate an informed debate on the multi-faceted implications and future of migrations, **the University of Milan, together with other partner Universities, organizes one week of teaching activities between May 17th and 22nd, 2021.**

4EU+ Migration Days will feature on-line seminars and workshops for students of all partner Universities. The activities will follow an innovative approach to education which envisages the active involvement of students.

Students who actively participated in a minimum of 8 events (16 hours) and who attend the mandatory inaugural session that will take place on 17th May will obtain 3 ECTS.

All the activities – save for the inaugural session – are open to a limited number of participant students. Once selected to take part in the Migration Days, students should select in advance the events that they mean to be enrolled for.

The proposed activities shall consist of two academic hours of interactive teaching sessions and focus at least on one of the following **TOPICS**:

1. Migration Policies in Europe

The growing selectivity of (im)migration policies: how States distinguish, classify and manage different forms of (im)migration; Migration policies – scope, goals, assumptions, mechanisms and tools, stakeholders; Different sub-policies: emigration, immigration, asylum, reception, diaspora, integration, and visa policies, etc.; EU policies in the field of (im)migration, asylum and borders management; EU Citizenship; EU response to the ‘migration and refugee crisis’; The horizontal level of migration’s governance: State actors vs. non-state actors; De-bordering solidarity and its actors

2. Borders Management, Mobility, Governance of Migration, Irregular Migration

The new salience of borders and their symbolic role in politics; The venue shopping approach: moving borders; The externalization of borders and the involvement of transit countries in borders’ management; Retention centers; The multilevel (and multi-actor) governance of immigration; The multiple causes of irregular immigration; Migration at Sea; The safeguards of migrants’ human rights at borders.

3. Asylum Seekers and Refugees

Asylum as a contentious issue: between human rights and restrictive trends; External and internal controls: an increasing effectivity of States' regulation?; Path to legalization: regularization mechanisms and regularization programs; Horizontal forms of solidarity; Associations and neighborhood help; The constitutional right of asylum; The principle of non-refoulement; Encampment, shelters, sanctuaries; Durable solutions: return, integration, resettlement; the externalization of asylum; Humanitarian corridors.

4. Racism and Discriminations

Discrimination of migrants; Discrimination among migrants; Vulnerable Groups; Discrimination based on, race, ethnicity, nationality, immigration *status*, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, etc.; Multiple and Intersectional Discriminations; Institutional racism; Discrimination and the principle of non-refoulement; Anti-racism movements; Constitutional and supranational safeguards towards discrimination.

5. New Societies and Integration

Multiculturalism; Women's Rights and Multiculturalism; Group Rights; Minority Women; Pluralism, mixedness, constitutional principle of transnationalism; Families' migration; Care chain; Migration for family reasons; Diaspora; Second generations and new forms of citizenship; transnationalism, TIC and uses of popular cultures.

6. Migration and the Media

Media narratives; Dynamics of news reporting; Representation of migrants and refugees across national press cultures and across time; Media responsibility; Migrant voices; Media coverage of refugee crisis; Attitudes towards immigrants in EU countries; Hate speech and online hate speech; Constitutional safeguards towards hate speech.

7. Labour Market and International Labour Migration

Dynamics of the contemporary labour markets and labour migration (including: technological change and migration); Access of the migrants to the labour market; Temporary labour migration; Migrants' labour conditions and (social) protections; Trade unions and migrant workers; migrants' exploitation; Migrants in the informal market; Policies, rules and procedures on the regularisation of the migrant workers; Discriminations against migrant workers; Pendular migrations.

8. Past, present and future of migration in Europe and beyond

Origins, routes, returns; History and cultures of migration in Europe and to Europe; History and cultures of migration in the Mediterranean; in the Americas; in Africa and Middle East, in Asia. South-south migration; Diasporas and transnational communities; Migration, mobility and population change; Future of migration.

WHO MAY APPLY

Migration Days' events are open to students coming from UNIMI who prove to meet the following requirements:

- Being regularly enrolled in a two-year master's degree (among the following: Extracurricular Languages and Literatures; Global Politics And Society; Historical Studies; International Relations (REL); Languages and Cultures for International Communication and Cooperation; Law and Sustainable Development; Modern Literature; Philosophical Sciences; Philology, in Literature and in Ancient History; Political Science and Government (GOV); Politics, Philosophy

- and Public Affairs (PPPA); Social Sciences for Research and Institutions (GLO), or in the 4th year of a five-year (single cycle) master's degree (Law), or in a PhD, for the academic year 2020/2021.
- Average mark: not below 25/30 (not required for PhD candidates)
 - Applicants whose native language is not English require B2 English Language Certification.

HOW TO APPLY AND WHEN

Applications must be submitted online, via the dedicated platform at:

https://elixforms.unimi.it/rwe2/module_preview.jsp?MODULE_TAG=Erasmus_4EU_MigrationDay2021

The application must attach the following:

- **Grade-point average certification** for the student's academic career, obtained through a screenshot taken on the UNIMIA system (which may also be submitted as a .jpeg); the certification must bear the applicant's student ID number. This document is not required for PhD candidates.
- An **official language certification** recognized by the University; the list of recognized certifications is available at [Other foreign languages: tests and courses | Università degli Studi di Milano Statale \(unimi.it\)](#). The certification must have been obtained no more than three years before the application date or a language proficiency statement obtained through the **University Language Centre – SLAM**. For the sole purpose of this call for applications, SLAM proficiency statements obtained by students over the entire course of study at the University of Milan shall be deemed valid. Students who are enrolled in degree programmes entirely taught in English, or who attend curricula taught in English, are considered to meet the language requirement up to the level required for admission to their degree programme. These students will have to self-certify their English-language proficiency using self-certification of language skills form attached (Annex C). If the level of the language needed for your application expressly appears on your UniMi career, you can submit a screenshot of it in pdf-format.
- A motivation letter (max 1000 characters), including a description of competences, interests and personal motivation about choosing to apply for the Migration Days. The motivation letter shall clearly also indicate the topics that students are more interested in terms of the above areas 1 – 8.
- Any other qualifications that may be relevant for the purpose of the application.
- Photocopy of a valid ID

Please note that the **online procedure will close at 14 pm on 22nd April 2021**.

The Rector
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