



**SELECTION CALL FOR THE ADMISSION TO AN INTERNATIONAL STUDY
PROGRAM LEADING TO THE AWARD OF A DOUBLE DEGREE**

**CORSO DI LAUREA MAGISTRALE IN CROPS AND PLANT SCIENCES
(TWO-YEAR MASTER'S PROGRAM IN CROPS AND PLANT SCIENCES)
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019**

University of Milan (UNIMI) and Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (TUAT), have jointly developed an integrated educational program at graduate level leading to a double degree in the field of "Master of Agriculture" TUAT and the "Corso di Laurea magistrale in Crops and Plant Sciences" for UNIMI.

Structure of the international program leading to the award of a double degree

Like the "Corso di Laurea magistrale in Crops and Plant Sciences" at UNIMI, the "Master of Agriculture" at TUAT is a second-level university program, each of which lasts two years and is worth a total of 120 ECTS credits.

The double-degree international program agreed upon by UNIMI and TUAT consists of two full academic years, each worth 60 ECTS credits. In each academic year similar courses are taught and similar learning activities are carried out at UNIMI and TUAT, respectively. All students registered in the program will spend their first year at their home University and their second year at the host University, where they will complete their studies and defend their master's dissertation.

At the end of the double-degree international program, registered students successfully completing their studies will obtain the degree of "Laurea magistrale in Crops and Plant Sciences" and the degree of "Master of Agriculture".

Admission criteria

In the academic year 2018-2019, UNIMI will select for participation in the double-degree international program up to **3** students registered as first-year students for the academic year 2017-2018 in the Crops and Plant Sciences program.

Crops and Plant Sciences students selected for the double-degree international program will simultaneously be recognized as TUAT students registered in the "Master of Agriculture", according to the study plan they choose to follow during their second year at TUAT (see below, Annex 1).

The following eligibility requirements must be satisfied at the moment of the application:

- a. applicants must be regularly registered as first-year students in the Crops and Plant Sciences program for the academic year 2017/2018;
- b. applicants must have achieved 12 ECTS in the first semester;
- c. applicants must have passed either the IELTS English language proficiency test (at least 6.5) or TOEFL (at least 575 paper - based, 233 computer-based, or 90 internet -based).



Mobility requirements

Only regular students enrolled in their second year of the Crops and Plant Sciences master's during academic year 2018/2019 will be enabled to take part in the international study program.

Applications

Applicants must fill in and sign the application form for admission to the international double degree program between UNIMI and TUAT (Annex A attached).

The following documents must be enclosed with the application form:

1. curriculum vitae;
2. letter of motivation;
3. transcript of the undergraduate career, with the grades obtained in all the exams taken and the final grade (screenshot of the relevant UNIMIA page); Crops and Plant Sciences students that have graduated in a different University than UNIMI must fill up the form [DICHIARAZIONE SOSTITUTIVA DI CERTIFICAZIONE DI ISCRIZIONE UNIVERSITA' - CONSEGUIMENTO TITOLO - ESAMI](#) (see Section "Modulistica generale- Dichiarazioni sostitutive di certificazione") with the information related to their undergraduate degree and career records;
4. transcript of their graduate career in the Crops and Plant Sciences program, with the grades obtained in all the exams taken up until the date of the application submission (screenshot of the relevant UNIMIA page): also self-certifications about mid-term exams, or not already registered exams, will be considered;
5. English proficiency certificate (IELTS or TOEFL). Should the students have no certification, their proficiency will be evaluated by the selecting committee.

Applicants must submit the application form and the enclosed documents to unimi@postecert.it. Subject must be: "DD TUAT_A.Y. 2018/2019".

Deadline: 30 July, 2018 – 12 pm (Italian local time).

Selection procedures

The applications will be assessed by a selection committee, chaired by Prof. Daniele Bassi and composed of Prof. Antonio Ferrante and Dott. Lucio Brancadoro. After examining the applicants' dossiers, the committee will interview the candidates on **31 July, 2018 at 08:30 am**, at Dept. Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, "Biblioteca di Arboree".

Candidates unable to attend the interview due to circumstances beyond their control must submit any relevant documentation proving said circumstances. The Committee may decide to interview such candidates via videoconference.

After completing the interviews, the committee will rank the candidates according to their respective merit. For each candidate the overall score will be obtained by summing up the following four partial scores:



1. academic career and grades obtained in the exams taken in the Crops and Plant Sciences program (up to 60/100);
2. curriculum vitae (up to 10/100);
3. motivations (up to 20/100);
4. proficiency in English (up to 10/100).

Only candidates with an overall score of 70/100 minimum are admitted in the general classification of merit qualifying themselves for Double Degree program.

Applicants in the first three positions of the ranking and qualifying for the international double degree program must formally accept to enter the program within five days from the online publication of the ranking, by sending a letter of acceptance to unimi@postecert.it.

If the letter of acceptance of a selected candidate is not received by the specified deadline, the same candidate loses her/his right to enter the program and is replaced by the candidate immediately following in the ranking, provided that the same qualifies for the international double degree program. The same replacement procedure applies in case a selected candidate should give up her/his right to enter the program before leaving for the host University or should not meet the further requirements, specified below, on which the authorization to spend the second year of the international double degree program at the host University is conditioned.

Selection results will be published [here](#) by **3 August, 2018**.

Following the publication of the selection results, the selected students will be contacted by the Ufficio Accordi e Relazioni Internazionali to formally enter the program.

Financial aspects

Double-degree international program students will pay tuition and fees to the Home University. The Host University will waive tuition and fees. The University of Milan will award a grant towards travel and living costs abroad.

Exchange student will be covered with civil liability insurance and accident insurance provided by the University of Milan during the performance of her/his study activities at the Host University. Exchange student will personally provide for medical insurance coverage during her/his stay abroad.

The university grant will be awarded according to the student's income, based on ISEE statement as already submitted to Divisione Segreterie Studenti. The awarding criteria will be as follows:

ISEE	Monthly allowance
less or equal to 13.000 euros	700 euros
from 13.000 to 21.000 euros	650 euros
from 21.000 to 26.000 euros	600 euros
from 26.000 to 30.000 euros	550 euros
from 30.000 to 50.000 euros and further	350 euros



Confidentiality

According to D.Lgs. n. 196/2003 the University shall fully respect the confidential nature of any information furnished by the candidates: said information will only be processed for the purposes of the selection call, the formalization of any relation between the University and the candidates and the management of the relation thereof.

Contacts

Further information on didactic issues will be provided by the academic coordinator, [Prof. Daniele Bassi](#).

For information on administrative issues students are invited to contact Ufficio Accordi e Relazioni Internazionali – Sezione Accordi, e-mail: bandi.extraeu@unimi.it.

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Annex 1. STUDY PLAN

STUDENTS OF UNIMI AS HOME UNIVERSITY SECOND YEAR AT TUAT UNIVERSITY

Course code	course name	ECTS
Third & Fourth semester		
<i>At least the followings:</i>		
Special filed lectures 7.2ECTS(4 credits)	Any subjects below table	3.6(2crd)
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New developed course for DDP students 18 ECTS	Advanced practice on IEAS I "tentative"	3.6(2crd)
	Advanced practice on IEAS II "tentative"	3.6(2crd)
	Advanced practice on IEAS III "tentative"	3.6(2crd)
	Advanced practice on IEAS IV "tentative"	3.6(2crd)
	Advanced practice on IEAS V "tentative"	3.6(2crd)
Related topics on Thesis 25.2ECTS	Subjective Exercise for International Environmental and Agricultural Research	1.8(1crd)
	Practical Exercise for International Environmental and Agricultural Research	3.6(2crd)
	Communication Exercise for International Environmental and Agricultural Research	1.8(1crd)
	Research in International Environmental and Agricultural Science	10.8(6crd)
	Exercise for International Environment and Agricultural Science	7.2 (4crd)
Sub-Course lectures 3.6ECTS(2 credits)	Sub-course Lecture for IEAS	3.6(2crd)
	Sub-course Exercise for IEAS	3.6(2crd)
Elective	Any subject	3.6(2crd)
Total ECTS		61.2
Total credits+transfer credits		34+10
Thesis supervised by both partners		
The student will develop his/her Master Thesis full time for a value of 45 ECTS, to be developed in ENGLISH. The thesis will be academically jointly supervised by teachers at TUAT and UniMI		
Total minimum of ECTS		121.2