

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO

Call for applications for reimbursement of rental fees paid in 2020 by non-resident students enrolled at the University of Milan (Ministerial Decree no. 57 of 14 January 2021)

THE RECTOR

Given the resolution of the Council of Ministers of 31 January 2020 containing the "Declaration of the state of emergency as a result of the health risk associated with the onset of pathologies deriving from transmissible viral agents", as well as subsequent resolutions of 7 October 2020, and of 13 January 2021, which extended the state of emergency to 30 April 2021;

Given the Law Decree no. 34 of 19 May 2020, as converted and amended by Law no. 77 of 17 July 2020, and in particular art. 29, paragraph 1, which provides: "In order to mitigate the economic effects deriving from the spread of the COVID-19 contagion, the National Fund for Access to Rental Housing referred to in Article 11 of Law no. 431 of 9 December 1998, is increased by a further 160 million euros for the year 2020", as well as paragraph 1-bis which provides: "A portion of the increase of 160 million euros referred to in paragraph 1, equal to 20 million euros, is allocated to the leasing of residential properties for non-resident students with a financial indicator ("ISEE Università") not exceeding 15,000 euros, through reimbursement, within the overall limit of 20 million euros for the year 2020, which constitutes an expenditure ceiling, of the rent paid under lease agreements entered into by students residing in a place other than the one where the leased property is located, for the entire period of the state emergency as approved by the Council of Ministers on 31 January 2020";

Given the Decree of the Minister of University and Research no. 57 of 14 January 2021, governing the implementation criteria and methods for determining the actual financial needs and the expenditure ceiling relating to rents paid by non-resident students during the period of the COVID-19 state of emergency as approved by the Council of Ministers, as well as the methods of allocating resources to the Regions;

Having acknowledged that the Decree of the Minister of Infrastructure and Transport (MIT) no. 343 of 12 August 2020 provides for the distribution of the specific portion of 20 million euros to the regions, pursuant to the aforementioned article 29, paragraph 1 bis of Law Decree 34/2020, to reimburse rental fees paid under the lease agreements stipulated by the students indicated in the same paragraph 1 bis, and that the Lombardy Region has been assigned a share of 3,243,514.50 euros;

Given Resolution no. XI/4365 of 3 March 2021, whereby the Council of the Lombardy Region resolved to approve Annex A "Criteria for allocating to universities and public institutions for higher education the share relating to the National Fund for Access to Rental Housing for non-resident university students in the period of health emergency" and to "delegate the approval of calls for applications, collection of funds, and disbursement of the benefits for to rental housing for non-resident university students on the basis of the criteria defined in Annex A";



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HEREBY DECREES

In implementation of Ministerial Decree no. 57 of 14 January 2021 and the resolution of the Council of the Lombardy Region no. XI/4365 of 3 March 2021, the call for applications for the reimbursement of rental fees paid in 2020 by non-resident university students enrolled at the University of Milan is hereby issued.

Article 1 – Eligible students and general application requirements

1. Eligible candidates are off-site students residing in a place located in a province other than the one where the leased property is located, enrolled for the 2018/2019, 2019/2020 or 2020/2021 academic year at the University of Milan during the period of the state of emergency as approved by the Council of Ministers on 31 January 2020.

2. Applicants for the reimbursement of rents paid in the year 2020, in the period between 31 January 2020 and 31 December 2020, must meet the following requirements:

- have an ISEE indicator not exceeding 15,000.00 euros. To this end, the last ISEE already held by the University for the years 2019 or 2020 or deriving from a new declaration submitted by the students will be considered;
- have not been beneficiaries of any education incentive programmes for academic year 2019/2020 or 2020/2021, intended as subsidies for housing services also in the form of financial contribution / scholarship (DSU scholarship for non-resident students).

The student may also use the current ISEE pursuant to art. 9 of DPCM 159/2013 when, despite already having a valid ISEE, there is a change in the work situation or an interruption of social security, welfare and indemnity treatments not included in the total income (declared for IRPEF purposes) for one or more members of the family unit, or when there is a decrease in the overall income capacity of the family unit of more than 25%.

International students whose family unit resides and produces income abroad may submit the request even if they do not have the ISEE Università certificate, without prejudice to the above requirement to be verified by the competent office.

Article 2 – Terms and procedures for submitting the refund request

1. The request may be submitted from 15 March 2021 to 14 May 2021.

2. The request for the benefit must be submitted by completing the online form available at https://www.unimi.it/it/studiare/borse-premi-mense-e-alloggi

3. When completing the online application, the following documents must be attached:

- copy of the lease agreement as duly registered
- registration receipt issued by the Revenue Agency
- rent payment receipts (tax receipts or bank transfer confirmations).

4. Failure to submit the aforementioned documentation or submission of an irregular document entails the loss of the right to reimbursement.

Article 3 – Determination of financial needs and allocation of resources by the Region



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1. The University of Milan, within 30 days of the deadline of this call for applications, after vetting the applications received, will transmit to the Region the data relating to the number of students and the corresponding financial needs.

2. Within 15 days following the transmission of the data, the Lombardy Region, with a provision of the Education, University, Research, Innovation and Simplification Department, will provide education incentive programmes managers with the resources assigned by Ministerial Decree no. 343 of 12 August 2020 for the reimbursement of fees to eligible students.

3. If, following the checks carried out by education incentive programmes managers on the applications received, the total amount to be reimbursed at a regional level exceeds the expenditure ceiling of 3,243,514.50 euros allocated to the Lombardy Region based on Ministerial Decree no. 343/2020, the disbursement of resources to education incentive programmes managers will be reduced proportionally.

Article 4 – Payment of the benefit to students

1. The University of Milan, within 15 days of the allocation of resources by the Region, will refund the rent to eligible students, based on, and up to the limit of, available resources.

2. If the total amount to be reimbursed exceeds the allocated expenditure ceiling, reimbursement to those entitled will be made in proportion to the resources actually available.

3. The benefits will be paid by bank transfer on "Carta La Statale", which must be activated as "Flash Up Studio La Statale", or on the IBAN provided when completing the online application.

Milan, 9 March 2021

The Rector Elio Franzini