Call for applications for subsidized-rate refectory services - Academic year 2022/23

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To access university refectory services and other partner eating places at subsidized rates in academic year 2022/23, students must submit an application through the “Online Help Desk” available through www.unimi.it at http://studente.unimi.it/dirittoallostudio/ by 15 December 2022.

Subsidized-rate refectory services include:

1. one midday meal (excluding Sundays and holidays) for resident students whose families reside in the metropolitan area in which courses are held or in the surrounding area, from where it takes them no more than 60 minutes to reach the course location with public transport, and for commuter students whose families reside in areas of the municipality in which courses are held or in other municipalities from where it takes 61-90 minutes each day to reach the course location with public transport;

2. two meals per day for non-resident students whose families reside in municipalities from where it is impossible to reach the course location with public transport in 90 minutes or less.

Refectory services are in any case suspended for all categories of students in the month of August and on the closing days of the refectories and partner eating places.

Any matters not expressly provided for under this notice shall be regulated by the provisions for awarding the regional scholarship.

Art. 1 - Who can access refectory services at subsidized rates

All students enrolled in a normal year of bachelor’s, master’s or single cycle master’s degree programmes for academic year 2022/23 or enrolled in the first year outside prescribed time may access subsidized-rate refectory services; those enrolled in postgraduate school and doctoral research programmes attending regular course years may access the same services.

Art. 2 - Income and asset requirements

The income and asset limits (Indicator of Economic Situation and Indicator of Assets Situation) for accessing refectory services at subsidized rates are:
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<th>Income bracket</th>
<th>University ISEE Indicator 2022</th>
<th>ISPE Indicator</th>
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<td><strong>First bracket</strong></td>
<td>No greater than € 12,167,56</td>
<td>No greater than € 52,902,43</td>
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<td><strong>Second bracket</strong></td>
<td>Between € 12,167,57 and € 16,223,41</td>
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<td><strong>Third bracket</strong></td>
<td>Between € 16,223,42 and € 24,335,11</td>
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*Figure 1 Income bracket indicators*

Applicants must respect **both** limits indicated in the table.

**Art. 3 - Merit requirements**

Students enrolled beyond the first year outside prescribed time cannot access the service at subsidized rates.

**3.1 First year students**

Students enrolled in the first year of all programmes have a right to access refectory services at subsidized rates, depending on their income bracket, as long as this falls below the limit of the third income bracket.

**3.2 Students enrolled in years subsequent to the first of programmes activated pursuant to Ministerial Decree no. 270-04**

Those enrolled in years subsequent to the first of any degree programme have a right to access refectory services at subsidized rates, in accordance with their bracket, for a number of years equal to the legal duration of the programme plus one (starting from the year of matriculation) only if they earn at least 15 credits **between 1 October 2021 and 30 September 2022**. If the number of credits to be earned annually differs from the number of credits set by Ministerial Decree 270/04 (60 credits per year), a proportional criterion will be applied to determine the merit requirement, based on the number of credits set by the Study Programme, rounded down.

Students exceeding this time limit will not have access to refectory services at subsidized rates.

**3.3 Doctoral research programmes and postgraduate schools**

Students enrolled in doctoral programmes or postgraduate schools must meet the academic requirements for admission to the year frequented.
Art. 4 - Automatic exclusion from refectory services

Access to refectory services at subsidized rates will be denied to the following students, even if they meet the income and merit requirements:

a) those who have already completed a degree, diploma or specialization or other academic qualification pursuant to Presidential Decree 162/1982, of equal level or higher to the one attended in academic year 2022/2023;

b) student repeating the same programme year for the second time within the same study career;

c) those in non-agreed arrears with any payment to the University.

Art. 5 - Cost of meals

Current meal costs are:

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<td>€ 3.30</td>
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<td>Second</td>
<td>€ 4.10</td>
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<td>Third</td>
<td>€ 4.70</td>
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Figure 2 - costs according to income bracket

Art. 6 - Transfers

Students who have applied to transfer from another university to the University of Milan will be allowed to access refectory services at subsidized rates once they have completed enrolment.

Art. 7 - How to access refectory services at subsidized rates

Students must display the university badge Carta La Statale to access refectory services at subsidized rates. The university badge is a means for identifying students and their income bracket.

The university badge is personal and non transferable, and its use is governed by the Regulations for refectory services at subsidized rates (Appendix 1).
Art. 8 - Forfeiture

Students who graduate and do not pursue higher studies forfeit benefits entitling them to subsidized-rate refectory services. Any meals taken after completing the degree will be charged to the student.

Students who graduate and continue to the next level of studies without interruption can access refectory services at subsidized rates up to 31 December 2023, upon request. Students who then fail to continue studies will be charged for any meals taken after graduation.

Students who transfer to another university or submit a request to withdraw from studies also forfeit the benefits pertaining to refectory services. Any meals taken after the transfer or withdrawal date will be charged to the student.

Art. 9 – Procedure manager

Pursuant to Law no. 241 of 7 August 1990, the procedure manager is Stefano Salvato, Head of the Scholarship and Grants Office.

Milano, 13 July 2022

The Rector
Elio Franzini
Appendix 1 – Refectory service regulations

Regulations for the use of catering and food services at subsidized prices

ART. 1 - Use of the service

1. Access to catering and food services at subsidized prices, through University cafeterias and affiliated restaurants and bars (hereinafter the service), is granted to all students enrolled on Bachelor's, Master's and single-cycle Master's degree programmes, as well as postgraduate and PhD programmes, upon request. Applications must be submitted according to the procedures and deadlines set forth by the annual call for applications.

2. The type and amount of the benefit will be managed through the University badge (Carta la Statale), which is strictly personal and may not be shared or transferred.

3. The financial benefits arising from the service cannot in any way be converted into money.

4. The service entitles the student to a menu agreed with every manager of an affiliated service, separately. The Student Administration Office and Right to Education Department, responsible for managing the service, verifies that the menus proposed by the managers correspond to the needs of the users, guaranteeing agreements with an adequate number of managers available to provide a complete meal consisting of a first course, a second course, side dish, fruit or dessert, bread and cover.

5. The list and opening hours and the agreed menu of University cafeterias and affiliated restaurants and bars are showed on the map available on the university website: www.unimi.it > study > financial support > refectory services and meals

ART. 2 - Validity date

1. The benefit expires on 31 December following the start academic year, without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 2.

2. The loss of student status for any reason whatsoever (e.g. withdrawal from studies, transfer to another University, graduation, etc.) will result in the loss of the benefit. After graduation, the service may continue upon request, provided the student pursues their studies at a higher level, with no interruption of their academic career.

3. The validity may be extended for another calendar year only upon request. In this case, the benefit will be automatically renewed, with a new user profile, on 1 January. Applicants will not need to go to the helpdesk.

4. Any changes in the user profile that may occur during the academic year will also be automatic.
5. Students participating in an international mobility programme (e.g. Erasmus) are entitled to a refund for any free meals not taken, as explained in the call for applications for regional scholarships. When away, they cannot use the service. Any transactions will be charged to the student.

ART. 3 - How to use the service

1. Users are required to show their Carta La Statale University badge (hereinafter the badge). Restaurant/cafeteria managers or University staff may also ask for some form of identification.

2. The badge will be inserted in the device, which will show the type of meal to which the user is entitled (free meal, first-bracket subsidy, etc.). Any sums to be paid by the student will be paid to the restaurant/cafeteria manager.

3. Should the device be out of order, the student will be required to fill in a self-certification form, stating which type of meal they are entitled to. In case of false statements, the student will have to pay back for any meals taken whilst they were not eligible.

4. In order to prevent students from taking meals they are not entitled to, the University reserves the right and the option to block the badge:
   • if the student’s income bracket changes from one academic year to the next
   • if the student graduates or loses student status for any reason whatsoever
   • whenever the badge is used illegitimately (Art. 7)
   • in case of false statements in the self-certification form

ART. 4 - Types of services

The types of meal services are as follows:

a) Resident / commuter students:
   • 1 paid meal (according to their income bracket) Monday to Saturday, lunch time.

b) Non-resident students:
   • 1 paid meal (according to their income bracket) Monday to Sunday.

c) Resident / commuter scholarship recipients:
   • 1 free meal Monday to Saturday, lunch time.

d) Non-resident scholarship recipients:
   • 1 free meal Monday to Saturday.
   • 1 paid meal (according to their income bracket) Monday to Saturday.
   • 2 paid meals (according to their income bracket) on Sundays.

Meal times are as follows:
Lunch 11.30 am - 3.00 pm, dinner 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm
ART. 5 – Checks

University or specially appointed staff, who may be identified by their badge, are authorized to check badge ownership in affiliated restaurants without prior notice, pursuant to Art. 7. During these checks, they may ask the student for their badge and some form of identification.

ART. 6 - Loss of the university badge "Carta La Statale"

In case of loss or theft of the badge, the student must immediately block it through their personal UNIMIA page by following the instructions contained therein in the dedicated box. All meals taken between the date of loss or theft and the date of blocking will be charged to the badge owner.

ART. 7 – Infringements

Illegitimate use of the University badge for meal services will be punished as follows:

a) Requirement to reimburse any meals taken illegitimately;
b) Suspension of service for one month, after the first infringement, for 2 to 12 months in the event of subsequent infringements, as per the following points.

The following cases are to be considered as illegitimate use of the badge and as infringements of the regulations. (This list is provided by way of example and is not exhaustive.)

c) Holding and/or using more than one badge;
d) Holding and/or using a badge other than the University badge;
e) Giving one’s badge to third parties;
f) Refusing to show or hand over the badge to University or specially appointed staff, or to restaurant managers;
g) Using the badge after forfeiture of eligibility pursuant to Art. 2 paragraph 2;
h) Refusing to show an ID in affiliated restaurants and University offices or to specially appointed staff;
i) Using the badge during a study-abroad period (e.g. Erasmus).

Without prejudice to any applicable provisions of criminal law (Art. 10 of Legislative Decree 68/2012).