



Call for applications for the awarding of a Special Grant for the 2023/2024 academic year

(Issued by Rector's decree no. 3620/2023 of 7th July 2023)

Art. 1 - Definitions

Special Grants are a type of financial aid that is awarded, until the allocated funds are exhausted, to students facing severe distress due to serious events affecting them or their family members. These events must be properly documented.

Special grants may be cumulated with any other forms of financial aid. They may only be awarded once over the course of each academic year and, with respect to any given request type, once during the student's academic career.

Special grants may be awarded in the following circumstances, occurring between **1 October 2022 and 30 September 2023**:

- Students facing severe economic distress within their family (e.g. unemployment, furlough, bankruptcy, layoffs...), where the household has lost its main source of income;
- Illness, injuries, surgeries, or expensive medical treatment having a serious and prolonged impact on the student or the student's family members, jeopardising their academic career;
- The passing of a member of the student's family unit as defined for ISEE purposes;
- Natural disasters.

The total grant award cannot exceed €1,500.00.

Art. 2 - Eligibility

Students enrolled in the 2023/24 academic year who were regularly enrolled in a. y. 2022/23 and meet the income requirement contemplated for the awarding of Regional scholarships for the 2023/24 academic year (art. 4 of the Call for applications for Regional scholarships), may submit an application:

- Through the first "off-track" year for those enrolled in a Bachelor's degree, single-cycle Master's degree or Master's degree programme, and through the second "off-track" year for students with a disability percentage at or above 66% or a recognised handicap pursuant to article 3, paragraphs 1 and 3 of Law no. 104 of 5 February 1992;
- Solely during "on-track" enrolment years for students enrolled in a doctoral programme or postgraduate school.

The following candidates are NOT eligible for the grant:

- Those who hold an academic qualification, awarded in Italy, of the same (or higher) level as the programme for which the grant is requested for the 2023/24 academic year;
- Those who were not enrolled in the 2022/23 academic year at the University of Milan;
- Those who enrol in the second repeating year for the same programme year;
- Those who are enrolled on a part-time basis;
- Those who are enrolled on a shortened degree programme with transfer credits from a foreign university;



- Those who do not submit the required documentation or who submit untruthful and/or non-compliant documentation.

Students who, during a. y. 2023/24, are repeating for the first time the programme year in which they were enrolled in a. y. 2022/23, are eligible for the grant.

Art. 3 - How to apply

Applications may be submitted online from 13 July to **31 October 2023** at: <http://studente.unimi.it/dirittoallostudio/>.

The Single Substitute Statement (*Dichiarazione Sostitutiva Unica*, DSU) must also be signed by this deadline, otherwise students will not be eligible for the grant.

Students with a University email account (name.surname@studenti.unimi.it) must log in using their University credentials, complete the forms and confirm the entered data by the deadline.

Students who are not enrolled yet can access the procedure after registering to [www.unimi.it](https://registrazione.unimi.it) (<https://registrazione.unimi.it>).

Applicants are required to upload **evidence of the serious event for which financial aid is sought** by 31 October 2023. Foreign documents must be translated into Italian, and legalised by an Italian Diplomatic or Consular mission abroad.

Failure to provide such documents or the submission of non-compliant documentation will result in the application being rejected. Incomplete applications, and those which are not officially submitted online by the application deadline, will be rejected.

The Grant Committee shall have discretion to review special cases where the incident occurred after 30 September 2023.

Art. 4 - Notice of results

Applications for Special Grants, accompanied by the requisite documentation, will be assessed by an ad-hoc Committee. Students will be notified of the outcome by e-mail on their institutional account, by 28 February 2024.

Payment will be made by 31 March 2024 to the recipient's La Statale card, to be activated as a "Flash Up Studio La Statale" prepaid card.

Students residing in Syria, Iran and North Korea may receive the payment on their bank account.

Art. 5 - Checks on the accuracy of declarations

The University of Milan will check the student's declarations for accuracy even after awarding the Special Grant, based on the powers conferred on it by the law, namely by the provisions of art. 10 of Legislative Decree no. 68/2012 and art. 71 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000.

Any false statements shall be punished pursuant to arts. 75 and 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, as well as art. 10 of Legislative Decree no. 68/2012, without prejudice to any disciplinary and/or criminal sanctions, if applicable.

Therefore, the Special Grant may be revoked even after it has been awarded, should material discrepancies be identified between what the student declared and his/her actual economic and financial situation.



Art. 6 - Person in charge of the procedure and contact details

Pursuant to Law no. 241 of 7 August 1990, the person in charge of the procedure referred to in this call for applications is Mr. Stefano Salvato (Head of the Scholarships and Grants Office).

To contact us, please use Informastudenti: <https://informastudenti.unimi.it/saw/ess?AUTH=SAML> > Fees and benefits > Scholarships

For information: <https://www.unimi.it/en/study/financial-support>

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The Rector
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