## Call for applications of non EU citizens residing outside Italy

The <u>University of Pisa</u>, founded in 1343, is amongst the top research universities in Italy and has a notable reputation in Computer Science Pisa hosted in 1969 the first Computer Science Department in Italy. The <u>Department of Computer Science</u> offers different MSc Programs, held entirely in English. Please **read carefully** the prerequisites and study plan rules of your target MSc Program before applying:

- <u>Computer Science</u>, MSc Degree including dedicated tracks in Software, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, and ICT, see <u>admission requirements</u>;
- Data Science and Business Informatics, MSc Degree, see admission requirements;
- Informatics for Digital Health, MSc Degree, see admission requirements.

Applications for **non EU citizens** are open from **November 2025 to February 5, 2026** (AoE). Candidate students should apply using the UNIPI portal:

## https://applymscenglish.unipi.it/

Important dates (for non EU citizens):

• Application deadline: February 5th, 2026

Acceptance/rejection notification: March 9th, 2026

• Classes start: mid September 2026

**Application Fee:** starting from the 2025/2026 academic year, payment of an application fee will be required *exclusively for applicants holding a foreign qualification*.

- 1. **Application Requirements:** The application fee is mandatory for submitting an admission application for the 2026/2027 academic year. Each applicant may submit up to two applications for programs available on the application portal. Please note that the application fee must be paid for each application submitted; therefore, in the case of two applications, two separate fees will be required. Candidates who do not complete the payment will not be able to submit their application.
- 2. Application Fee Amount: €30.00.
- 3. **Payment:** Payment must be made directly on the application portal <a href="https://applymscenglish.unipi.it">https://applymscenglish.unipi.it</a>. The payment will be requested immediately after completing the application, prior to its submission to the evaluation committee.

**Selection process:** In addition to a first-level Bachelor's degree, applicants must have a good knowledge of English, a solid background, high motivation, and hard working attitude. Applicants will be selected according to their graduation study performance (CGPA), to the affinity of their graduation transcript exams with the target Master degree, and to any additional education or working experiences in their CV.

**Notification and admission:** All applicants will receive either an admission letter or a rejection notification by March 9th, 2026. It is of utmost importance that **admitted students immediately start the VISA process at their local Italian Embassies or Consulates**, since in previous years many admitted students have not been able to enroll due to difficulties in getting the VISA in due time (or at all). Admitted students will have time to finalize their registration at University of Pisa until December 31, 2026, but please note that classes will start around mid September 2026, in presence in Pisa.

**Tuition Fees:** The <u>annual fee for international students</u> depends on the country of origin. University fees are to be paid each academic year and are determined annually by the Board of Directors. These fees are usually announced in June for the following academic year. Although the University of Pisa does not provide any fellowship for international students, some options for financial support are available as detailed below.

Tuition Fees Reduction: for possible reductions of tuition fees see the University website.

**Financial support:** Fellowships can be granted to enrolled students by other organizations than the University of Pisa.

- **DSU** scholarship: Financial support is available for students, including the DSU scholarship, offered by the Agenzia Regionale <u>Diritto allo Studio Universitario (DSU)</u> of the Tuscany Regional Council. This grant provides benefits such as free accommodation, meals at the University dining halls, and exemption from university tuition fees. For more details on the DSU scholarship, please visit <u>dsu scholarship</u>.
- **MAECI scholarship**: In addition, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) offers scholarships each year to international students and Italian students residing abroad. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.esteri.it/en/opportunita/borse-di-studio/">https://www.esteri.it/en/opportunita/borse-di-studio/</a>.
- Invest your Talent scholarship: This Master's Degree programme also participates in the "Invest Your Talent in Italy" scholarship programme, which aims to support students from selected countries and is funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI). Scholarships will be awarded to selected students admitted to the Master's programme. Additional information will be published as it becomes available on Invest your Talent scholarships.

## **Useful links:**

- How to apply for Master's Degree Programmes in English;
- Enrolment (see instructions for non EU citizens);
- Enrolling at the University of Pisa;
- International student quide;
- Students services:
- Invest Your Talent in Italy;
- <u>UniBuddy platform</u>: chat with our ambassador students and staff;
- International office University of Pisa (contacts: promozioneinternazionale@unipi.it);
- Internationalization office CS Department (contacts: international@di.unipi.it);
- Computer Science (contacts: mcs\_info@di.unipi.it);
- Data Science and Business Informatics (contacts: datascience@di.unipi.it);
- Informatics for Digital Health (contacts: mdh\_info@di.unipi.it).