

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Information for Students on Exchange

<p>A. University</p>	<p>University of Bologna (UniBo)</p> <p>http://www.unibo.it/en</p>
<p>B. Country</p>	<p>Italy</p>
<p>C. Academics</p>	
<p>i) Course Mapping & Credits Transfer</p>	<p>Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange. You can check with the SEP Coordinator in the Dean's Office of your home faculty.</p> <p>Courses approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan.</p>
<p>ii) Academic Calendar</p>	<p>Semester 1: September to February Semester 2: February to End July</p> <p>https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/academic-calendar</p> <p>Each school has its own course and exam timetable. Lessons generally begin in September or shortly afterwards, and may be annual, six-monthly or divided into several sessions. The course timetables are set yearly, just before the start of the programmes. As soon as they are available, the calendars and timetables are published online. For more information, please visit: https://www.unibo.it/en/international/incoming-exchange-students/exchange-students-unibo-exams-and-internships</p>
<p>iii) Exchange Duration</p>	<p>One semester.</p> <p>For more information about the exchange programme, please refer to https://www.unibo.it/en/international/incoming-exchange-students</p>
<p>iv) Examination</p>	<p>Students are expected to attend all mandatory examinations at the host university.</p>
<p>v) Curriculum Structure</p>	<p>UNIBO is a comprehensive university offering various study disciplines in the 1st cycle (3-year bachelor level), 2nd cycle (2-year master level), or single cycle (5-year combination of bachelor through to master level).</p> <p>Exchange students are allowed to pick courses from several Schools (we have 11 Schools) and from all the five campuses (Bologna, Forlì, Cesena, Ravenna or Rimini). The courses they can choose from are the courses</p>

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	<p>normally available to local students, so (apart from the Italian language courses, see below) there are no special courses for exchange students. UNIBO's course catalogue is one, for both Italian and international students and can be consulted online at: https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/course-unit-catalogue. You may use the language filter on the portal to filter out English-taught courses.</p> <p>If the necessary information cannot be found on the internet portal, students are invited to contact the International Office of the School. Contact details can be found on the following here: https://www.unibo.it/en/international/incoming-exchange-students/contacts-for-exchange-students-at-unibo.</p> <p>Italian language courses are provided free of charge by our university. Courses are held both in the first and second semester, during September (intensive courses), October-December (extensive courses) and February-May (extensive courses). Information can be found at http://www.cla.unibo.it/corsi/italian-language-courses-for-foreigners/italian-language-courses-for-foreigners. Places are limited therefore students are suggested to take action as soon as they are briefed on this by email.</p>
<p>vi) Entry Requirements</p>	<p>Students should have completed 2 semesters of studies. GPA of 3.0 out of 5.0 with no grade below C.</p>
<p>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</p>	<p>The medium of instruction for classes Italian and English.</p> <p>Students without sufficient Italian proficiency are only allowed to read English-taught courses.</p>
<p>viii) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine • Arts, Humanities, and Cultural Heritage • Economics, Management, and Statistics • Engineering and Architecture • Foreign Languages and Literature, Interpreting and Translation • Law • Pharmacy, Biotechnology and Sport Science • Political Science • Psychology and Education • Science

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<p>ix) Course restrictions and pre-requisites</p>	<p>There are no specific language requirements for studying at the University of Bologna. However, before coming to Bologna students are strongly advised to have at least basic knowledge of Italian (level A2) for daily conversation, and, in order to be able to study and make the most of the lessons, students are strongly advised to have level B1.</p> <p>The normal course load is 30 ECTS per semester. Depending on the requirements of the home institution, students may either take the full 30 ECTS load, or read at least 24 ECTS.</p> <p>Please refer to the course catalogue here: https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/course-unit-catalogue</p>
<p>D. Application</p>	
<p>i) Procedures</p>	<p>Students should be nominated by NUS before they can apply for fee-waiver exchange at the host university.</p> <p>The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in SharePoint. Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean’s Office for the link to the SharePoint.</p> <p>Nominated students will be given access to the UNIBO’s online platform, AlmaRm to complete their registration.</p>
<p>ii) Deadlines</p>	<p>All NUS students must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.</p> <p>Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.</p>
<p>E. Accommodations</p>	
<p>i) University Accommodation / Private Accommodation</p>	<p>Bologna welcomes a large number of students and finding accommodation can be difficult, especially in September at the beginning of the academic year. Start looking for accommodation well in advance. It is advisable to book an accommodation before arriving in Bologna.</p> <p>For more information on Accommodation, please refer to: https://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/study-grants-and-subsidies/housing-and-residences/housing-and-residences.</p>

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F. Visa

Consular/Visa Regulation

Non-EU citizen students going to UNIBO for more than 90 days will need to apply for a Visa for study purposes to enter Italy. An invitation letter from

UNIBO will be sent to students for applying the Visa from the Italian Embassy or Consulate in the home country. The visa issuing procedure can take several months therefore students are suggested to apply early.

Students should request the health insurance to be stamped by the Embassy/Consulate when applying for the visa such that it can be used for application of residency Permit, which is to be done upon arrival in Italy.

When arrive in Italy, students must also apply for a Residence Permit. This is a compulsory procedure for all non-EU citizens wishing to stay in Italy for more than 90 days.

For more information, please refer to:

<https://www.unibo.it/en/teaching/enrolment-transfer-and-final-examination/visa-and-rules-for-residence-in-italy/before-leaving-home-entry-into-italy>.

G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health/Medical Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to <https://nus.edu.sg/uhc/general-health/billing-insurance/insurance-matters>.

For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to 'Insurance Cover for Official NUS Trips' through <https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/>

The Italian National Health Service is called "Servizio Sanitario Nazionale" (SSN) and is divided into local Healthcare Boards ("Aziende Unità Sanitarie Locali - AUSL"). A non-EU citizen has access to the National Health Service only after paying an annual registration fee of €149.77. The fee covers the calendar year from 1 January to 31 December and cannot be split. The student may register at one of the two SSN offices in Bologna.

If the student needs a specialist treatment, he/she can choose any doctor, also on the advice of your chosen GP. He/she must pay for the visits to the GP and any specialists, and then apply to his/her insurance company for a refund.

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	<p>It is recommended to check in advance, by contacting your insurance company, if the specific treatment can be reimbursed.</p> <p>For more information on health services in UniBo, please refer to: https://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/health-and-assistance/health-and-medical-assistance-in-bologna-cesena-forli-ravenna-e-rimini/medical-assistance-for-international-students</p>												
<p>ii) Emergency Number at host university</p>	<p>NIL</p>												
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Note: All information is subjected to change.