

ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT – A.Y. 2016/2017

The **Collegio di Milano** is an inter-university College recognized by the Ministero dell'Instruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca (MIUR) for its commitment to student growth, both Italian and foreign, enrolled in seven universities of Milan and admitted in accordance with an attentive selection process based on merit and motivation.

The Collegio di Milano is an initiative of the **Fondazione Collegio delle Università Milanesi**. Its activities are directed towards the diffusion of and promotion of **college life**, the valorization of a **meritocratic culture**, the **internationalization** of the university system and the integration of local realities. Through the study of dynamics relative to temporary residency within multicultural contexts, this system acts as a means of promoting and incentivizing **social mobility** and **active citizenship**.

The Members of the Fondazione are Università degli Studi di Milano, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Università Luigi Bocconi, IULM, Università degli Studi di Milano-Bicocca, Politecnico di Milano, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Comune di Milano, Regione Lombardia, Assolombarda, Camera di Commercio di Milano, Aspen Institute Italia, Bracco, Edison, Intesa Sanpaolo, Mediaset and Pirelli & C.

The goal of the Collegio di Milano is to enrich and encourage the talent of students and to allow them to experience a lifestyle focused on improving their personal and professional growth. To such an end, the Collegio offers, in addition to **accommodation** in a 8,000 square-meter campus planned by architect Marco Zanuso, and immersed in a 30,000 square-meter park, a rich **cultural program** of high quality, and multiple services, in a **vibrant and lively environment**.

All of the services and activities are planned out in accordance with an educational and formative proposal in line with the mission of the Fondazione.

In particular, the Collegio di Milano offers:

- A Cultural Program, complementary to the university curriculum, with the goal of supplying means for understanding the complexity of today's world through encounters with multicultural, interdisciplinary and internationally-minded topics, in addition to the goal of fostering the development of life skills (ex. Communication, Group Work, Leadership). The program includes seminars, labs, project work, workshops, guest speakers noted in the worlds of culture and business management, and English courses which feature certifications. Every semester at least one of the courses of the Cultural Program is taught in English, others are taught in Italian.
- Tutorship to accompany the students during their stay in the Collegio, encouraging their talents and supporting their personal and professional development;
- Career services for assisting in understanding the professional world, and how to enter into it;
- International relations for developing an international network of connections and identifying work and study opportunities abroad;
- Single rooms with a bathroom, air conditioning, a balcony and furniture completely renovated in August 2014;
- Open 24 hours a day with a weekday daily reception service, and video-surveillance;
- Meal service (Mon-Fri: breakfast and dinner; Sat-Sun: breakfast, lunch, dinner);
- Common kitchen and dining room;
- Room-cleaning service with weekly bedsheet changing;
- Common laundry with coin-operated washing machines and a dryer;
- Library and study rooms open 24 hours a day;

- Medical assistance:
- Wi-Fi connection present throughout the whole structure;
- Fully-equipped gym and athletic fields (basketball, volleyball, grass-field soccer);
- Living room;
- Play room;
- Music room;
- Art room;
- Large lecture hall.

Application

Open admission positions

The available admission positions for the 2016/17 academic year, beginning on September 1st, are as follows:

- n. 30 positions for students living in the Collegio.
- n. 3 positions for non-resident students (students who attend the Cultural Program activities without residing in the Collegio).

The Collegio di Milano reserves the right to modify the number of open admission positions. In the event that some positions become open during the admissions process, it may become possible for applications submitted in a period different from the deadline in the announcement to also be considered.

> Applicant requirements

Candidates who satisfy the following requirements may submit an application:

- Being enrolled in one of the following Universities: Università degli Studi di Milano, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, IULM, Università degli Studi di Milano Bicocca, Politecnico di Milano, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele;
- Being enrolled, within the month of September 2016, in a three-year undergraduate program, a Master program, or a Single Cycle five-year program;
- Enrolled in a postgraduate Master program, Specialized Curriculum or PhD program;
- Being under the age of 30 years old;
- Applications may also be considered from students enrolled in Conservatorio G. Verdi, Accademia delle Belle Arti di Brera, Humanitas University, NABA, IED and SPD.

> Deadline dates and application submission process

The admission application must reach the Collegio di Milano by June 30th (up until July 20th for those students who are enrolled in the first year of a three-year undergraduate program, even if they have not yet completed their high-school exit exams)

The application must be filled out online at the site www.collegiodimilano.it in the section "Admissions". Completion of every section of the application is necessary, along with attaching the following documents:

- Complete Curriculum Vitae;
- University Curriculum (list of exams taken and credits (ex.CFU, ECTS) earned, and/or graduating diploma with exams supplied by the secretary of the University);
- A document which verifies the grade of your high-school exit exam;
- A document which verifies the grades from the last two years of high-school (requested only from those students enrolling in the 2016/17 A.Y. at the 1st or 2nd year of a three-year undergraduate program, or are in a Single Cycle five-year program);
- Two letters of presentation written by academic/scholastic references, and/or non-academic/scholastic references (ex: sports coach, employer, volunteer-work supervisor);
- Passport-style photo.

Contact information

For any questions or necessities, you can reach the Admissions Office through the following channels:

Telephone: 02 87397000; direct line 02 87397148

Email: admissionsoffice@collegiodimilano.it

Selection Process

The selection process takes into account the curriculum of the candidate, including the requested documents and the results of the selection tests. The selection tests take place over the course of a single day, the date of which will be communicated via e-mail, and include an individual interview and a group assessment aimed at gaining a better understanding of the candidate, and also including an English test.

In the selection phase, the characteristics of the candidate will be evaluated, and furthermore the following specifics constitute preferential consideration:

- Good grades on the report cards of the last two years of high-school and on the exit exam (those grades will be weighed with respect to the average grades of the school in question);
- An average of grades totaling at least 27/30 on taken University exams, and a curriculum of study in line with the number of credits required by the plan of study;
- An advanced degree grade for those who have already obtained it;
- The potential of the candidate:
- Individual experience in significant extra-curricular activities;
- The motivation and predisposition of the candidate to actively participate in the Cultural Program activities, and in the life of the Collegio.

Everyone who has undergone the selection process will receive via e-mail as to their suitability or unsuitability for admission to the College. The list of admitted students will not be published, and admission decisions are the unimpeachable judgement of the **Admission**, **Fee and Scholarship Commission of the Collegio di Milano**.

The candidates deemed unsuitable may reapply only once, and no earlier than 12 months from their first application.

Cost of Participation, Entry, and Residency at the Collegio di Milano

For those who passed successfully through the selection process, the monthly cost for participation in the 2016/17 academic year is as follows:

- € 1.000,00 for the students residing in the Collegio (full fee);
- € 400,00 for the non-resident students of the Collegio.

The Collegio residency periods are always at <u>least one semester long at a minimum</u>, and cannot be split up. The first semester of the 2016/17 A.Y. lasts from September 1st, 2016 to January 31st 2017; the second semester lasts from February 1st, 2017 until July 31st, 2017. The maximum duration of residency in the Collegio for a student is equal to the number of semesters needed to complete their main course of University study, without going off-track.

Having passed the selection process, admitted students must send a signed confirmation of the economic agreement, and undersign the Educational Agreement of the Collegio di Milano.

In the event that a student arrives with a semester already in progress, or if they decide to leave the Collegio before the end of a semester, they will be nevertheless required to pay the amount covering the entire semester.

Only students who attend the Collegio for at least two semesters, even if not consecutive, and as per the terms of the Educational Agreement, will be granted a diploma.

With respect to the health of the community, the following vaccinations are suggested: antimeningococcal C and anti-measels.

Scholarships

The Collegio di Milano intends to support "the capable and meriting, even if they are lacking in means" and to assist social mobility in Italy; for these reasons, the Collegio di Milano has adopted a system of scholarships reducing the cost of participation.

For the 2016/17 academic year, the number of scholarships reserved for new students is 7 (seven), of which:

- n. 4 (four) scholarships in the amount of 2.200,00 €;
- n. 2 (two) scholarships in the amount of 5.000,00 €;
- n. 1 (one) scholarship in the amount of 8.000,00 €.

The scholarships are implemented as reductions in the fees to be paid, and not as an amount of money paid from the Collegio directly to the student. There is also the further possibility of residency in a double-room as an alternate option of financial aid rather than a scholarship, depending upon the availability of those rooms.

The scholarships and double-room residency cannot be combined with each other, and at the end of every semester an evaluation will be made to confirm the need for the aid.

The following categories of student are excluded from the possibility to receive these aids:

- Non-resident students:
- Visiting students;
- Students who received a scholarship supplied by the National Social Security Institute (INPS).

After having received notification of their admission to the Collegio di Milano, students may apply for a scholarship via sending an email to the following address: borsedistudio@collegiodimilano.it; the application must also include the following attachments:

- ISEE form with indication of the parties claiming the right to "An amount of financial aid for exercising the right to University studies" released by the appropriate authorities (INPS, the local municipal government, CAF) in accordance with the Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers 159/2013 and the Inter-Ministerial Decree of 11/7/14. This form must be signed as required and stamped by the organization which released it, and must still be valid; Personal Statement.

The awarding of scholarships is managed by the Admission, Fee and Scholarship Commission of the Collegio di Milano, as per their unimpeachable judgment.

Economic benefits may be retained into the following semester by re-submitting the application for an academic scholarship, and if:

- Academic performance is in line with the standards required by the Collegio (an average of at least a 27/30 on University exams, and to be within the expectations of number of credits earned as required in the student's field of study);
- The student respects the Educational Agreement of the Collegio di Milano, and participates in the Cultural Activities of the Collegio in an involved and motivated manner;
- The student has not been rebuked for any reason;
- The need for continued economic support is still evident.

Those possessing the right to financial aid from the INPS may obtain further information on the relevant announcements and accept scholarships offered by them through the website www.inps.it.

Treatment of Personal Information

As per the senses of Article 13 of Law 196/03, the personal information supplied by candidates for admission will be gathered by the Fondazione Collegio delle Università Milanesi, and used exclusively for the purpose of furthering the admissions process. The information will remain anonymous for the purpose of being used in eventual statistical studies.