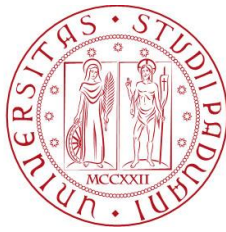


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**EXCHANGE FACTSHEET**

Information for Partners and Incoming Students

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# 1 General information

## Institutional details

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Full name: Università degli Studi di Padova  
Erasmus code: I-PADOVA01  
Website: [www.unipd.it](http://www.unipd.it)

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## Useful websites

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[Erasmus+ for Studies - Incoming students \(ENG\)](#)  
[Erasmus+ Studio - Studenti in ingresso \(ITA\)](#)  
[FAQ – COVID-19 effects on student mobility](#)  
[The Course Catalogue](#)  
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## Social networks

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<https://it-it.facebook.com/universitapadova/>  
<https://it-it.facebook.com/universitypadova/>  
<https://www.instagram.com/unipd>  
<https://twitter.com/UniPadova>

## 2 Nomination and Application

### Nominations:

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Partner Universities should send students' official nominations through our online form: <http://www.unipd.it/en/erasmus-study>

#### Nomination deadlines:

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 11th March to 30th April  
Spring Terms – from 3rd August to 30th September

### Applications:

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Application instructions will be automatically e-mailed to all nominated students. The online application for Exchange students is available after registration in our student portal. Further info: <https://www.unipd.it/en/application-erasmus-semb>

Please note that Unipd does not accept freemover students.

#### Application deadlines:

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th April to 15th June  
Spring Terms – from 16th September to 30th November

#### Language requirements

- B1 English level, for students attending courses in English
- A2 Italian level, for students attending courses in Italian

*Documents accepted:* OLS test results, official language certificates, attendance certificates of intensive courses, certificates issued by University officers/professors attesting language proficiency level, transcript of records including language exams results.

Submission by  
15th September  
(Autumn/Winter terms and full year)  
15th February  
(Spring terms)

#### Required documents\*

- Identity card or passport
- Learning Agreement
- Transcript of records
- European Health Insurance Card or private insurance valid abroad (mandatory only for extra-EU students at this stage)
- Language certificate (optional at this stage)

*\*To be submitted through the online Application form and anyway before starting the mobility period.*

Once students are accepted to Unipd, the Mobility Unit will publish their nomination code on the website:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/erasmus-studies-semb>

## 3 Accommodation and Canteens

On-campus accommodation is not guaranteed and is limited.

Accommodation support and Canteen service are provided by **SASSA Service** (Desk of the ESU – Regional Agency for the Right to Study).

The Accommodation form is mandatory for all students, including those who decide to look for private accommodation.

### Accommodation form:

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<https://www.esu.pd.it/en/sassa-service>

#### **Deadlines:**

Autumn/Winter Terms and Full Year – from 15th May to 30th June

Spring Terms – from 16th September to 15th November

Price range: € 205 - € 320 per month

Booking fee: € 350 to be paid in advance

#### Housing contracts duration

The accommodation offers sent by SASSA Service will report standard dates of start/end, which correspond to the duration of the semesters. Students can always ask for customised start/end dates if their stay differs considerably from the standard dates. Students may have to arrange an alternative accommodation if they arrive earlier than their place is available.

Further information regarding on-campus accommodation in Unipd is available at:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/accommodation-erasmus-semp>

### Canteens

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There are 16 University Canteens all around the city

Price Range for exchange students: € 4,60 - € 5,70 per meal

<https://www.esu.pd.it/en/our-main-activities/food-services-canteens>

### Private housing

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As an alternative to on-campus accommodation, students can search for private rooms/apartments on *HousingAnywhere*, an international housing platform through which they can book a room/apartment offered by verified private landlords and by outgoing students.

To receive a Unipd VIP profile and priority access to the listings:

<https://www.unipd.it/housinganywhere-pd-en>

## 4 Academic life

### Academic calendar

The organisation of the academic activities in trimesters or semesters depends on the degree course, not on the choice of students. The term system on which the course unit is based is displayed in the Course Catalogue.

	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Welcome Days - Autumn term												
Biannual Italian language course												
<b>First semester classes</b>												
<b>First semester exams</b>												
First trimester classes												
First trimester exams												
Second trimester classes												
Second trimester exams												
Welcome Days - Spring term												
Biannual Italian language course												
<b>Second semester classes</b>												
<b>Second semester exams</b>												
Third trimester classes												
Third trimester exams												

#### Semester System

##### *First (winter) Semester*

Classes, 4th October 2021 – 15th January 2022  
Exams, 17th January – 26th February 2022

##### *Second (spring) semester*

Classes, 28th February – 11th June 2022  
Exams, 14th June – 23rd July 2022

#### Trimester System

##### *First (fall) Trimester*

Classes, 4th October – 4th December 2021  
Exams, 9th December – 22nd December 2021

##### *Second (winter) Trimester*

Classes, 10th January – 19th March 2022  
Exams, 21st March – 31st March 2022

##### *Third (spring) Trimester*

Classes, 6th April – 11th June 2022  
Exams, 14th June – 16th July 2022

### Recommended arrival dates and ORIENTATION

Orientation activities usually take place before classes begin or during the first week of classes  
Further information: <http://www.unipd.it/en/welcome-days>

## **Courses available to exchange students**

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### **Course catalogue**

English version: <http://en.didattica.unipd.it/>

Italian version: <http://didattica.unipd.it/>

List of courses held in English:

<http://en.didattica.unipd.it/catalogues>

In the Course Catalogue the Educational offer is divided per School. The language of the course is indicated in every course page.

Students can easily identify the course units they are allowed to attend, with the label *“The course unit can be attended by Erasmus+ and other exchange students”*.

If the TEACHING MODALITY is different from in-class teaching (i.e. online, blended), it will be mentioned in the *“Syllabus”* section before the start of the classes.

Exchange students should carefully read the Guide [“How to choose courses at Unipd”](#) which contains instructions on how to browse the Course Catalogue, how to fill out the Learning Agreement and on the restrictions on course units for exchange students.

### **Language of instruction**

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The main language of instruction at Unipd is Italian, but we offer a large number of complete degree courses and course units held in English. Make sure to check in our Course Catalogue the teaching language for each course unit.

### **Credit and grading**

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Unipd uses the ECTS credit transfer system.

The grades for each exam successfully passed can range from 18 to 30. In case of exceptional performance, the grade is 30 cum laude. In some courses, the grade can be expressed instead as “fail”, “sufficient”, “satisfactory”, “good”, “very good” or “excellent”.

For other courses and activities, such as the Italian Language Laboratory for exchange students (3 ECTS), the positive assessment is not expressed in terms of a grade but simply as “Pass”.

## **Standard course load**

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20-30 ECTS per semester is the

average/suggested amount for exchange students (not mandatory for Unipd!).

30 ECTS is the standard full-time semester load for degree seeking students.

1 ECTS credit equals 25 hours of study, including contact hours and self-study.

### **Course registration**

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Students do not need to enroll formally in course units.

Two online platforms are used for course and exam registration:

- “Uniweb” student portal: students must fill out a study plan here, which will allow them to sign up for exams at the end of the classes.
- “Moodle” teaching platforms: due to the online teaching, it is required to register in each course unit before classes start.

### **Examinations**

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Each exam session usually offers 2 exam dates for each course. It is possible to sit an exam on the first date and then re-sit it on the second date in case of failure (unless formally prohibited by the responsible Professor).

### **Transcript issuance**

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Unipd will send the Final Transcript of Records (list of all the passed study activities and of their respective grades) directly to an email address of the student’s Home University. Students will have to request the ToR online only after all the exams are registered in the online “booklet” in the Uniweb student portal. Failed exams are not registered in the online booklet; therefore, they will not be reported in the ToR.

## 5 Pre-departure

### Website

<https://www.unipd.it/en/exchange-students/erasmus-studies/your-arrival-erasmus-studies>

	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Nomination by the Home uni.												
Application form												
Accommodation form												
Request a Buddy												
Book WD restricted events												
Orientation/Welcome Days												
Arrival												

### Visa and residence permit

Non-EU students residing in non-EU countries must apply for a visa before arriving in Italy. Non-EU students residing in EU countries might not need to apply for a visa, if they hold a valid Residence Permit issued by a EU country.

Please refer to:

[Before your arrival - See Step 6](#)

<http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

### Health Insurance

EU, EEC (Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein) and Swiss students must bring their [EHIC - European Health Insurance Card](#)

Non-EU students residing in a EU country may use the [EHIC - European Health Insurance Card](#) if it is valid abroad.

Health insurances/cards for non-EU students must be valid for the whole duration of the stay. For private insurance, the insurance company must guarantee a medical coverage of at least Euro 30.000 and coverage of emergency medical evacuation and repatriation of remains. It must also have an agency or an emergency contact based in Italy.

### Cost of living

Average living costs: €600-€700/month (including grocery shopping + accommodation and bills + personal extras)

- Accommodation in a dorm: €205 - €320/month
- Canteen: €4,60 - €5,70/meal
- Grocery shopping: around €60/week
- Residence permit: around €100/one time

[Find out more here!](#)

### Italian language course

The University Language Centre (CLA) offers a free course of 3 ECTS to all exchange students during the mobility period:

<http://cla.unipd.it/en/courses/italian-courses/>

*Important!*

- The Italian language course final test does not award any final grade, only "Pass"
- Language requirements for Unipd cannot be fulfilled by attending this course

### Other online activities

Students will be informed by email of any other online opportunities they can take part in before their arrival in Padua (such as: [eTandem](#) learning organised by the Language centre; webinars organised by the [GaragErasmus association](#), etc.).

## 6 Student support services

### SAOS

#### Welcome Service for Foreign Guests

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This desk of the International Relations Division assists extra-EU students on immigration-related procedures upon their arrival.

### SASSA

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The SASSA Service desk from ESU (Regional Agency for the Right to Study) manages the accommodation in the student residence halls and the canteens.

<https://www.esu.pd.it/en/sassa-service>

### Buddy Service

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Students can request a tutor “Buddy” student before their arrival in Padua using our online form. Students will receive an email when the form is available (June-July and Nov-Dec). The Buddy (i.e. a senior University student) will welcome and support exchange students during their stay. Extra-EU students and students with disabilities do not need to request this service: a Buddy is assigned to them automatically.

### Students with disabilities or learning difficulties

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The Student Services Office organises specific initiatives for students with disabilities who wish to participate in an exchange programme. Students with disabilities or learning difficulties and vulnerable students can arrange for favourable conditions during their stay in Padua by informing the Student Services Office of their condition before they arrive.

<https://www.unipd.it/en/inclusion-international-mobility>

### Psychological and Psychiatric assistance

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The Psychological Assistance Service and the Psychiatric Consultancy Service are a point of reference for any students who encounter psychological difficulties during their studies, personal problems or unease (anxiety, relationship problems, and academic performance).

Both services are completely free of charge for all students of the University of Padua.

[Healthcare and Primary Services | Università di Padova \(unipd.it\)](#)

### University Language Centre (CLA)

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[CLA - Italian language course for Incoming Students](#)

<http://cla.unipd.it/en/>

### University Sport Centre (CUS)

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Sport (athletics, rugby, volleyball, basketball, boat races...) both at competitive and amateur levels; two sport facilities in Padua.

[Home | CUS Padova](#)

### ESN - ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

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The association of volunteer students who support exchange students during their international mobility in Padua.

ESN assists exchange students by answering their questions and helping them in dealing with any kind of issue they might have.

ESN also organises activities, trips and parties to promote Italian culture with the aim to create a positive environment where everybody can feel at ease and make new friends.

[ESN Padova - Erasmus Student Network](#)



## 7 Contacts

### Mobility Unit - Central Desk

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Students and Partner Universities can contact the central desk about:

- Nomination/Application procedure
- Accommodation
- Orientation/Welcome Days
- Buddy Service
- Arrival/Departure certificate
- Final Transcript of records

### Mobility Unit desks at the School/Department

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Students and Partner Universities can contact the Mobility desks at the School/Department about:

- Learning Agreement and changes
- Information about courses and exams
- Information about the School/Department services (Libraries, tutors, study rooms, etc.)

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For detailed info:

[Desks and contacts | Università di Padova \(unipd.it\)](#)