



RESIDENZA UNIVERSITARIA
BIOMEDICA

FONDAZIONE COLLEGIO UNIVERSITARIO
S. CATERINA DA SIENA

COMPETITION FOR STUDENT PLACES ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Situated in the Polo Cravino complex (Via Giulotto 12, Pavia), the Biomedical University Residence of the Fondazione Collegio Universitario S. Caterina da Siena is a College of Merit recognised by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research. The Residence is open to students studying for first-level (three-year) Bachelor's degrees or second-level (two-year) Master's degrees (Laurea Magistrale) or long-cycle Master's degrees (Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico), preferably in biomedical subjects (but also in other disciplines), and to students on *post-lauream* Master's courses, PhD programmes, or specialist courses.

Students living in the Residence are accommodated in single rooms with *en suite* facilities, air conditioning, a telephone, free internet access and a weekly cleaning service. Each unit of six rooms has a fully equipped kitchen with hob, oven, refrigerator, dishwasher, and a television. Emergency medical care is provided and students have full access to all the communal areas in the Residence. Furthermore, if they are accepted, Residence students may also attend courses at IUSS, to take the relative diploma.

With the support of tutors, the Biomedical University Residence promotes the acquisition of excellence in the various disciplines and also complements the students' university curricula with internal educational and cultural initiatives, such as courses, conferences, seminars, meetings, labs/workshops, debates, foreign language courses, art exhibitions and cultural visits. Through its *Progetto Formativo* (Educational Project), the Residence offers ideas and input to help students enrich their personal abilities. To this end, individual programmes are drawn up and agreed with the Residence Board at the start of each academic year. Upon completion of these studies in the Residence, a College Diploma is issued certifying that the established targets have been reached.

Applications for places in the Biomedical University Residence **for the 2018-2019 academic year may now be submitted. Places will be allocated according to a selection procedure** based on qualifications and tests. The places offered, both **free and subsidised**, depend on actual availability and are assigned for the period from 1st September 2018 to 31st August 2019, inclusive, and may be renewed for subsequent years on condition the students continue to meet the necessary requirements.

1. Who can apply

The places are open to:

a) male students enrolled or enrolling on a Bachelor's degree course at the University of Pavia for the 2018–2019 academic year.

Students enrolling in the first year of a course need to possess an Italian High School diploma with a final mark of at least 80/100; students enrolling in subsequent years need to have an average mark, considering all the examinations taken, of at least 27/30.



b) male and female students enrolling in the first year of a second-level (two-year) Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale) or in the fourth year of a long-cycle Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico). Female students may apply only if they are not already alumnae of the Collegio Universitario S. Caterina da Siena.

These students need to have obtained a mark of at least 95/110 in their first degree or, in the case of those doing a long-cycle Master's degree (Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico), an average mark, considering all the examinations taken, of at least 27/30.

c) male and female students enrolling on *post-lauream* Master's courses, PhD programmes or specialist courses of any kind.

In all cases (a, b, c) preference is given to students doing biomedical courses, resident in municipalities situated not less than 30 km from the city of Pavia, and who have a family income, according to their University Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator (ISEEU) certificate, no greater than €44,000 (in accordance with Art. 8 of Italian Prime Ministerial Decree No. 159/2013).

2. Admission

Places are allocated according to a selection procedure that takes into account the qualifications submitted and the outcome of an interview during which applicants introduce themselves and talk on a topic of their choice. Qualifications will be assessed taking into account the duration of the university studies already completed.

Applications must be submitted online, filling in the application form available on the Foundation website (www.collegiosantacaterina.it) as from 31st May, 2018.

Applications must be accompanied by the following documents, to be handed in at, or sent by registered mail to: Segreteria della Residenza, Via Giulotto 12, 27100 Pavia, Italy (tel. +39 0382 516762, fax +39 0382 516790), biomedica.segreteria@collegiosantacaterina.it:

- 1) self-certification of the marks obtained in examinations taken and of any degrees obtained;
- 2) a valid (current) University Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator (ISEEU) certificate showing the student's family income. This can be obtained from the student's municipality of residence, from the local INPS office, or from local public accounting services (CAF), and must be presented together with the relative *Dichiarazione Sostitutiva Unica* (DSU); foreign applicants must produce equivalent documentation;
- 3) signed passport-size photograph of the applicant;
- 4) any other qualifications or certificates obtained that further illustrate the applicant's education and interests.

The Foundation Board reserves the right to check the validity of the documents mentioned in points 1 and 2 with the appropriate University and tax offices. Inaccuracies and omissions in the declarations could lead to exclusion from the allocation procedure or the loss of an allocated place.

Foreign applicants must submit documentation equivalent to that referred to above.

Applicants enrolling in the first year of a Bachelor's degree course or a long-cycle Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico), or in the fourth year of a second-level (two-year) Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale) who wish to attend courses at IUSS must also apply for admission to IUSS in accordance with the rules of the relative call for applications (available at: www.iusspavia.it).



3. Interview dates

Candidates may choose one of the following days for their interview:

First call: 10th July 2018, 3.30 pm;

Second call: 20th July 2018, 3.00 pm;

Third call: 7th September 2018, 3.00 pm.

Subject to availability of places, there may be further calls after the third call.

4. Allocation procedure

After the assessment of applicants' qualifications and the interviews, held on the scheduled dates, the Selection Committee will draw up the ranking list. In the event of ties, higher positions in the list will go to students with lower incomes. The places will be allocated, on the basis of the ranking list, by the Board of the Fondazione Collegio Universitario S. Caterina da Siena at its September meeting. The results of the selection procedure will be posted on the Foundation website (www.collegiosantacaterina.it) and applicants awarded places will be notified e-mail or telephone.

Successful applicants must submit, by 16th October 2018, the following documents:

- a declaration in lieu of a criminal record certificate;
- a medical certificate – issued by a district Health Officer (ASST) – declaring that they are healthy, free

from infectious diseases and do not require special care or supervision.

Successful applicants must also submit their certificate of registration at the University of Pavia as soon as they have it; this must, in any case, be submitted within the year for which they are allocated the place, otherwise they may forfeit the right to renewal of the place for the following year.

The student, on accepting the place, subscribes to and undertakes to observe the rules of the Residence.

5. Fees

Three free places will be awarded as follows:

– **two places**, referred to as MINTAS Foundation places, will be assigned to the first two female students in the ranking list who enrol on a second-level (two-year) Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale) or in the fourth year of a long-cycle Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico) in the biomedical area; these places will be renewed for the subsequent years on condition the students continue to meet the necessary requirements;

– **one free place**, also referred to as a MINTAS Foundation place, **only for the first year** in the Residence, will be assigned, in accordance with the ranking list, to another female student enrolling



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on a second-level (two-year) Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale), or in the fourth year of a long-cycle Master's degree course (Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico) in the biomedical area;

Further places are reserved for students who, under the terms of articles 8 and 14 of the competition for admission to IUSS courses, have been awarded IUSS-funded **free places** at one of Pavia's University Colleges of Merit. Such students are required to transfer the sum of the IUSS grant (€4,000) to the College.

All students assigned the remaining places pay their contribution to Residence accommodation costs at the **ordinary rate of €5,400**. This represents a reduction on the real costs of maintaining their place, and it is granted by the College Board in recognition of their merit in winning admission to the College.

In the case of students **not receiving any other economic benefits** (grants or contributions from public or private bodies), **the Residence Board, taking into account the student's family income and any other relevant documents presented, may grant further reductions, of up to €840**, in order to reduce the ordinary contribution to Residence accommodation costs.

Applicants who are sons of public sector employees are reminded that the Biomedical University Residence has an agreement with the Italian National Social Security Institute (INPS) to provide study grants for students who are the offspring of living, retired or deceased public servants (i.e. employees of INPS, now also incorporating the former INPDAP, iPost and ENAM). Details and the relevant notice are available on the website www.inps.it and updates on the Foundation website www.collegiosantacaterina.it.

Places awarded can be withdrawn at any time should students be in arrears with the payment of their accommodation fees or fail to comply with the College rules and *Progetto Formativo*.

Pavia, 8th May 2018

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