

COMPETITION FOR STUDENT PLACES ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019

Applications for places in the Biomedical University Residence (Polo Cravino complex, via Giulotto 12) for the 2018-2019 academic year may now be submitted. 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. The Foundation Board reserves the right to use the competition ranking as the basis for granting any further places that may become available at a later date. Places may be renewed for subsequent years on condition the students continue to meet the necessary requirements.

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 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 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.

The contribution to Residence accommodation costs payable by students assigned the remaining places may be further reduced on the basis of family income.

The places are open to:

- a) male students enrolled or enrolling on a first-level (three-year) 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 (or equivalent foreign qualification); 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.

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 (chapel, study room, library, computer room, music room, TV room, games room, newspaper and magazine room, gym, garden) and to the coin-operated laundry service. 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. Upon completion of these studies in the Residence, a College Diploma is issued certifying that the established targets have been reached.

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

Candidates may choose one of the following days for their admission 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.

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