



## Admission to the Master Degree in Neuroscience

Call for admissions to the Master Degree in Neuroscience (classe LM-6), academic year 2018/2019. The following places are available:

Neuroscience	29	EU and EU-equated citizens
	6	candidates selected from the Scuola Normale Superiore
	3	non- EU citizens residing abroad
	2	non- EU citizens taking part in the Marco Polo project.

The admission procedure foresees two sessions. The first session opened to EU and EU-equated citizens and non- EU citizens residing abroad and the second session opened only to EU and EU-equated citizens. In the first session, the overall number of available places will be assigned according to the ranking list. In the event of unassigned places, they will be available for a second session, up to a maximum 40 places. If final enrolled non-EU and/or Scuola Normale Superiore candidates are fewer than the corresponding reserved quota, the remaining places will increase the EU and EU-equated candidates quota, up to a maximum of 40 places.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

#### One of the following:

1. Bachelor degree in the Italian degree Class 12 or L-13;
2. Former Italian University System four-year or five-year degree in Biological Sciences
3. Former Italian University System bachelor degree or master degree, in other classes, provided that the applicant has acquired at least 60 cfu (Italian Credit Transfer System) in the following fundamental disciplines of the L-13 class of Biological Sciences:
  - BIO/01, BIO/02, BIO/04, BIO/05, BIO/06, BIO/07, BIO/09, BIO/10, BIO/11, BIO/18, BIO/19 or equivalent: BIO/14, MPSI/03, MPSI/02, MED/03, MED/04, MED/07, MED/26, MED/37, MED/39; a minimum of 24 cfu are required for this section;
  - FIS/01-FIS/08, INF/01, ING-INF/05, MAT/01-MAT/09, CHIM/01, CHIM/02, CHIM/03, CHIM/06 or equivalent: MED/01, SECS/01 -02, INF/01, MPSI/03; A minimum of 18 cfu are required for this section.
4. Qualifications obtained abroad and recognised as eligible.

The admission to the Master Degree is subject to the following assessment: admission requirements and Master Degree Regulations curricular requirements, in compliance with the current legislation. Only candidates qualified as stated in points 1 and 2 automatically meet the requirements and do not undergo the assessment. All other candidates must undergo the assessment in compliance with the following provisions:

The candidate does not meet the requirements: he/ she cannot be admitted to the selection.

Candidate assessment has a positive outcome, and the oral test is successful: the selection committee may identify further mandatory training activities up to a maximum of 40 cfu. In this event, the candidate is enrolled in specific courses (Corsi Singoli di Transizione) to recover the relevant educational gaps.

Candidates qualified as stated in point 4: the Admission Committee will assess the suitability of the qualification and verify that admission and curricular requirements are met. The Committee may also identify further mandatory training activities as mentioned above.

Students enrolled in an undergraduate course that meets the admission requirements are eligible for admission, provided they will graduate and supply the relevant certification by December 20, 2019.

The Admission Committee will then verify the admission and curricular requirements, as described above. At any time, the University may exclude anyone who does not meet the requirements.

1 The rules and procedures for admission of non-EU nationals resident abroad are set out in MIUR's circular of 19 February 2018. These candidates must pass a test of Italian language before the admission test, except for cases of exemption.

1 The rules and procedures for admission of non-EU nationals resident abroad and enrolled in the Marco Polo project are set out in MIUR's circular of 19 February 2018.

## APPLICATIONS

If applying for the first session, the deadline is January 28, 2019, by 12.00 AM; for the second session, applications will be from 29 April 2019, up to July 01, 2019, at 12.00 AM. Observance of deadlines is mandatory.

### 1. Application submission:

Register online at [www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica](http://www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica), following the instructions on the "Informazioni Generali" page. After the deadline, registrations will not be accepted. At the end of the procedure, the system will issue a receipt proving that registration is complete.

This receipt, marked by a unique serial number, is the only document proving the accurate completion of registration: in the event of a dispute only the candidate that can supply his/her receipt will be admitted to the test. The online procedure requires applicants to upload a copy of a valid identity document.

### 2. Documents submissions:

Register online at <https://applymcsenglish.unipi.it> to submit the application for the Master degree in Neuroscience and upload the required documents. In the section "Degree Title and Transcript" please upload: Candidates with an Italian Degree: a signed self-certification of the title obtained, (D.P.R. 445/2000), with the indication of the passed exams and their corresponding scientific sectors. Candidates with a title obtained abroad: a degree certificate and a transcript with the passed exams. Incomplete or unsigned self-certifications may cause the exclusion from the test. Self - certifications submitted with a different procedure will not be accepted. Subsequent self-certifications' edit and/or additions will not be accepted.

Candidates are required to specify if they want the oral test to be held via Skype or in person.

### 3. Fee

The Admission Fee is € 30. At the end of the registration procedure, the system will release an individual electronic invoice (MAV), to be printed up to January 28, 2019, if applying for the first session and up to July 1, 2019, if applying for the second session. The electronic invoicing allows payments at any bank within the deadline. Candidates are invited to keep their e-invoicing carefully, as an evidence of payment. For further instructions: Section "Informazioni Generali" at [www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica](http://www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica)

Only if paying the Admission Fee from abroad, please use the University of Pisa bank account: "Banca di Pisa e Fornacette Credito cooperativo"- Via Tosco Romagnola 101/ A Fornacette (PI), IBAN CODE: IT2700856270910000011156460, BIC/SWIFT CODE: BCCFIT33. The payment description should report the electronic invoicing code (codice identificativo MAV). Candidate will then send evidence of payment at the fax number 0502213408.

If received after the deadline the payment will not be accepted, and the candidate will be excluded from the selection, even if for a bank responsibility, The Admission Fee is not refundable in any case. At any time, the University may exclude the candidates that do not meet the admission required, even if successful in the admission test.

## TEST

The admission to the test is subject to the requirements assessment. The Committee will carry out the test even in the event the applicants are fewer than the available places. The test foresees the evaluation of the candidates' titles and an oral test in English, official language of the Master Degree course.

Candidates' evaluation and ranking are set on a 100-point scale. Admission Committee can assign each candidate:

Evaluation of titles, curriculum vitae, cursus studiorum and other documents submitted: up to 60 points. The minimum score to access the oral test is 40.

Oral test to assess appropriate knowledge of the BIO sector disciplines (see ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS) and fluency in English: up to 40 points. The minimum passing score is 30.

The list of candidates admitted to the oral test, and individual score will be published:

By February, 12, 2019, for the first session

By July, 18, 2019 for the second session

At [www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica](http://www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica) on the specific Master Degree page.

## TEST TIMING

First Session: February 18-19, 2019 - Second Session: July, 25-26, 2019.

The oral test timetable will be published together with the list of admitted candidates. If not differently required candidates will be interviewed via the web or conference call ( Skype or other digital platforms the Admission Committee may propose) in the nearest Italian Embassy or Consulate or where the Admission

Committee considers appropriate to ensure the duly candidates' identifications. In this event, candidates will display their identification document to the Admission Committee.

On the test day, candidates are required to timely prepare their valid identification document so to expedite the preliminary operations.

#### **RANKING**

The available places will be assigned following the candidates' ranking at the end of the test. The youngest candidate shall prevail in the event of equal rankings. On the date previously announced with the list of admitted candidates, the final ranking list will be published in: <http://alboufficiale.unipi.it> and [www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica](http://www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica), before February 26, 2019 for the first session and before August 2, 2019 for the second session on the Master Degree specific page. Personal communications to successful candidates are not foreseen. Unassigned places of the Scuola Normale Superiore and non-EU quota will be retrieved following the ranking list.

#### **ENROLLMENT DEADLINES**

The deadline for the admitted candidates to complete enrolment will be announced together with the publication of the ranking.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PROCEDURE**

According to art. 4 of the Law of 7 August 1990, no. 241 and subsequent amendments and additions, the head of the administrative procedure is Dr. Cristiana Bertini.

Candidates have the right to use the right to access the acts of the admission procedure in accordance with the terms and conditions of the current legislation, as well as by the Regulations for the implementation of Law 241/1990 issued by decree of 26 January 1995, no. 133, and subsequent modifications and additions.

#### **TREATMENT OF PERSONAL DATA**

With reference to the provisions of Legislative Decree 30 June 2003, no. 196 ("Personal Data Protection Code") and, in particular, Art. 13, the personal data provided by the candidates will be collected at the University of Pisa for the purposes of management and eventual registration, and will also be processed in an automated form.

#### **ADVERTISING AND INFORMATION**

This notice is published in the Official Journal of the University <http://alboufficiale.unipi.it> and on [www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica](http://www.unipi.it/studenti/concorsispecialistica) on the page of each specific course.

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