

Call for Applications for the Award of Academic Merit Awards

A.Y. 2025/2026

This Call for Applications sets out the criteria and procedures for the award of study grants intended to recognise and reward academic excellence among students who have maintained continuous enrolment throughout their degree programme.

1. Admission requirements

Applications may be submitted by students who, as of 30 November 2026, meet all of the following requirements:

- **Enrolment:** Be regularly enrolled in the 2025/2026 academic year as a student within the prescribed duration of a Bachelor's, Master's or single-cycle Master's degree programme.
- **Academic progress:** Have obtained the following University Credits, differentiated according to the year of enrolment:

Year 1 (cohort 25/26)	Year 2 (cohort 24/25)	Year 3 (cohort 23/24)	Year 4 (cohort 22/23)	Year 5 (cohort 21/22)	Year 6 (cohort 20/21)
at least 40 ECTS credits	at least 95 ECTS credits	at least 150 ECTS credits	at least 205 ECTS credits	at least 260 ECTS credits	at least 315 ECTS credits

- **Merit:** Have a **weighted average** grade of no less than **26/30**.

Note: The following formula shall be applied to calculate the weighted average grade:

$$M = \frac{\sum(\text{Grade} \cdot \text{ECTS credits})}{\sum \text{ECTS credits}}$$

Honours are not taken into account in the numerical calculation of the average grade (they are considered equivalent to 30/30) for the purposes of this Call for Applications.

The merit requirement must be achieved without taking into account any recognition of examinations passed in previous university careers.

2. Amount of the Awards

The amount of the award is determined according to the merit bracket achieved by the student, calculated on the basis of the weighted average grade obtained:

Weighted Average (M)	Weighted Average (M)	Weighted Average (M)	Weighted Average (M)
26≤M<27	27.01≤M<28	28.01≤M<29	29.01≤M≤30
Award Amount	Award Amount	Award Amount	Award Amount

€500.00	€1,000.00	€1,500.00	€2,000.00
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3. How to apply

Applications must be submitted exclusively through the applicant's personal Esse3 page no later than 1p.m. on 30 November 2026. At the time of submitting the online application, students must provide their IBAN code for the possible payment of the award. The IBAN details must be held in the student's name (or jointly held with the student).

4. Ranking list formation

The provisional ranking list will be published on 13 May 2027 on UNIMORE's Online Register. On the same date, information will be provided regarding the submission of any written objections and the publication of the final ranking lists. The ranking list for the study grants will be drawn up in descending order according to the weighted average grade obtained in the examinations passed. In the event of a tie, priority will be given to the student who has passed the higher number of examinations; in the event of a further tie, priority will be given to the student with the higher number of honours (cum laude grades), or, as a final criterion, to the younger student by date of birth.

Subject to compliance with the above requirements, the selection procedure shall ensure the allocation of at least one study grant to each degree programme.

Should any grants remain unassigned during the allocation process due to a lack of eligible students, they shall be awarded to students enrolled in other degree programmes within the same department or, alternatively, to students from other departments, according to the order established in a single University ranking list.

5. Available funding

The total amount allocated for the study grants is €220,000 and provides for the award of an amount ranging from €500.00 to €2,000.00 to each successful applicant, based on the weighted average grade achieved as at 30 November 2026, as specified in Article 2 above.

The available funding shall be allocated among the University's Departments according to the proportionality criterion, based on the number of enrolled students as at 30 April 2026.

Admission to the award shall initially be assessed taking into account the funds available to each Department; subsequently, any unallocated amounts shall be redistributed to fund awards relating to other Departments.

Structure	Students enrolled	Available amount €
Department of Life Sciences	1,833	15,000
"Marco Biagi" Department of Economics	2,820	23,000
Department of Law	2,295	19,000
"Enzo Ferrari" Department of Engineering	5,015	41,000
Department of Sciences and Methods for Engineering	1,563	13,000
Department of Studies on Language and Culture	1,275	10,000

Department of Medicine and Surgery	4,476	37,000
Department of Physical, Computer and Mathematical Sciences	963	8,000
Department of Communication and Economics	3,016	25,000
Department of Education and Human Sciences	2,831	23,000
Department of Chemical and Geological Sciences	697	6,000

6. Incompatibility

Students who submit an application for both the study grant and the graduation award for the same academic year and are awarded both shall be required to indicate their preference as to which award they wish to retain, as the two awards cannot be combined.

The academic merit study grant is incompatible with other graduation awards and/or study grants awarded by UNIMORE with the same characteristics and purposes. Study grants are compatible with measures provided under the right to university education scheme.

7. Tax treatment

Academic merit study grants shall be subject to the applicable tax legislation.

8. Transitional and final provisions

With regard to the assessment of merit, checks, withdrawal and sanctions, reference shall be made to the provisions contained in the Call for Applications for Benefits for the Right to University Education.

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