# Welcome Orientation Meeting

Politecnico di Torino September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2023



# Agenda

### Welcome speeches:

- Elisa Armando: Deputy Head Student, Education and International Affairs
- Professor Alberto Godio: PoliTO Rector's Advisor for student mobility and Erasmus
- International Mobility Unit
- Teaching & Language Center
- Life Division Practical information for your stay in PoliTO and Torino
- > Q&A session
- ESN Association Buddy System
- > Wrap up and meeting with Students Associations



We are excited to have you at PoliTO!



# Welcome speech and academic tips by the Rector's Advisor for student mobility and Erasmus+

Professor Alberto GODIO



# To be remembered

Mobility for courses/courses and final project: you have to define the Learning Agreement including at least 18 credits/ECTS of courses per semester taught in the PoliTO Degree Course of application. Final project and Italian language course credits are excluded. The remaining credits, in order to reach 20/30 per semester, can be chosen also from the entire course catalogue.

Mobility for final project/PhD research: you are excluded from the 18 credits/ECTS requirement as the workload is directly agreed with your PoliTO supervisor. You don't have to define the PoliTO Learning Agreement.

**Mobility for Double Degree:** the Learning Agreement must include the courses of your first year of mobility according to the scheme shown in the Double Degree Agreement. All the courses have to belong to the PoliTO Degree Course of application.



# Courses

### Composed by:

#### ✓ 1 module

 Modules can be worth 6, 8 or 10 credits and their workload is 25 hours per credit - 10 hours (class) and 15 hours (homework)

## ✓ More than I module (integrated courses)

- The modules of an integrated course cannot be separated: they are complementary and offered as a whole.
- you cannot choose to attend only 1 module as the final grade will be registered only after having passed all of them.

It is not possible to ask professors to let you attend courses that are not included in your PoliTO Learning Agreement.





# Exams

### Exam periods (sessioni)

There are 3 sessioni available:

- ✓January/February (end of the first semester)
- ✓June/July (end of the second semester)
- ✓ September (recovery session)

### Check the Academic Calendar <u>here</u>

# Since all the exams take place in the same period, you should study every week and organize your workload for the upcoming sessions!

### How to take the exam:

- 1) Register up on your <u>Portale della Didattica</u> page (don't forget it!)
- Show up on the examination date (follow the instructions given by your professor)
- 3) Have your Smart Card with you, as you'll be requested to prove your identity before taking the exam



# **Important**

Exams can be written, oral or both.

Check the online course description or ask your professor.



Online exams are not allowed. 🛑



# **Exam marks**

Range from 18 to 30	
Below 18	failed
From <b>18</b> to <b>23</b>	low (albeit sufficient)
From <b>24</b> to <b>26</b>	average
From <b>26</b> to <b>27</b>	good
From <b>27</b> to <b>28</b>	very good
From <b>29</b> to <b>30</b>	excellent
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### **Marks registration**

The exam marks are registered through an online procedure by professors.

Marks already registered cannot be refused nor modified.



# Final Project

### **Mobility for Final Project**

- Evaluated by your PoliTO supervisor through the Final Project Evaluation form (downloadable in your Portale della Didattica page)
- Not shown in the Transcript of Records
- No final discussion at PoliTO

### **Mobility for Double Degree**

- You need to find <u>by yourself</u> a PoliTO final project supervisor
- You need to define with them the topic
- The Double Degree Agreement specifies the final project credits amount and where to defend the thesis
- Final discussion and graduation



# Transcript of records

- For each passed course, the ECTS (European Credits Transfer System) and the cumulative percentage will be shown
- Marks below 18 (failed) will not appear
- If an exam grade is P (passed), like the PoliTO Italian language exam, this cannot be converted in a mark from 18 to 30
- The final grade of an integrated course is only one. Single modules cannot be registered.





# Welcome speech and practical tips by the International Mobility Unit

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Mobility coordinators



# How to reach...

## **The International Mobility Unit:**

**Q** Campus Help Desk

Corso Castelfidardo 39 (left side down the hall) every Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 12:30 pm

Virtual help desk

upon request via Ticket >> INCOMING MOBILITY

Ticketing service

Ticket >> INCOMING MOBILITY

### **Other PoliTO offices:**

© Campus Help Desk when available, more details here

Ticketing service

### **Professors:**

By E-mail

using your PoliTO e-mail account (<u>sSTUDENT NUMBER@studenti.polito.it</u>). Remember to check it frequently!





- Steps 4 guidelines\*
- Declare the arrival date and upload a proof of travel

\*in your new PoliTO profile >> Incoming Students >> Get ready for PoliTO

Boarding cards, electronic bus/train ticket to Torino



Toll and cross border YES receipts to Torino



Receipt of payment; Confirmation email; Itinerary description; Credit card balance



# To do list after arrival



- Step #4 guidelines\*
- Access to laboratories when entitled
- Pay the meal at the university canteen

\*in your new PoliTO profile >> Incoming Students >> Get ready for PoliTO

Download PoliTO Declaration of Stay: replaces your Home University Certificate of Arrival

### Update your contact info: <u>the address in Torino</u>

 New PoliTO profile >> View your data and change your address >> Personal Details >> Change Address >> Contact info



# Learning Agreement drop and add period

### Who?

mobility for courses, courses and final project, double degree

mobility for final project or PhD research don't do the L.A.

### How?

Same procedure done last June/July; Learning Agreement already unlocked; For academic issues contact your PoliTO Academic Advisor

### When?

from September 25<sup>th</sup> To October 16<sup>th</sup>

### Why?

Only if you need to modify your L.A.

If you don't have to change it you don't have to do anything. The courses are already approved

Check the **Step #3 part 1 and 2** in your New PoliTO profile >> Incoming students >> Get ready for PoliTO or the **tutorial in the videoguides section** 



# Welcome speech and practical tips by the University Language Centre



# The Italian language courses at Politecnico di Torino

The CLA (University Language centre) offers language courses.

## How can you join an Italian language course?

You are required to register through your **PoliTO profile**, **Languages Tab**, **Italian section**, **Italian language courses**. According to the time period of your mobility, you can register for an Italian course of the

First Semester: procedure open in October and November

and/or of the

Second Semester: procedure open in March and April

Further information at <a href="https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/courses\_italian">https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/courses\_italian</a> <a href="https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/urgent">https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/urgent</a>



# The Italian language courses at Politecnico di Torino

- are taught by teachers of the Società Dante Alighieri (https://www.dante.global/en), an organization which spreads the Italian language and culture in Italy and abroad through its Centres all over the world.
- start (1 or more weeks) after the beginning of your other courses.
- are usually held at 19:00-20:30 on three days a week from Monday to Friday and on some Saturday mornings



# Mobility for courses / courses and final project / final project / research during Phd: Italian COURSE/EXAM RULES

When you register for an Italian course (through your PoliTo profile, Languages tab, section Italian - Italian language courses), the **Italian course/exam** will be automatically added to your Learning Agreement.

You can take the university Italian exam in person @Politecnico during the Exam periods, and ONLY if you have an Italian course added to your Learning Agreement.

If your mobility <u>pr</u>oject lasts 2 semesters, you **can**:

- attend an Italian course in First Semester
- Attend another Italian course in Second Semester (provided that you have passed the exam in First Semester)





# Mobility for Double Degree: Italian COURSE/EXAM RULES

### If you are enrolled in an English-taught degree programme:

You must take and pass the Italian language exam – level 2 (already included in your Learning Agreement). You are not allowed to take a higher level exam. The Italian language exam is a graduation requirement. The 6 credits of the Italian exam do no count towards the number of credits required for graduation at PoliTO.

# If you are enrolled in an Italian-taught degree programme or in a blended programme:

If you are interested in learning Italian, you can attend an Italian language course. You do not need to inloude it in your Learning Agreement and you are not required to pass the final exam.



# PLIDA exam at Politecnico

The teachers of the Italian courses are specifically trained to prepare students to take the PLIDA exam, the Italian language certificate developed by the Società Dante Alighieri and recognized by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, the Ministry of Labour, and the Ministry of Education, University and Research.

You can take the PLIDA A2 or the PLIDA B1 exam in the sessions organized at Politecnico in cooperation with Società Dante Alighieri.



# PLIDA exam at Politecnico

Further information about the PLIDA certificate at: <a href="https://www.dante.global/en/certifications/plida-certification">https://www.dante.global/en/certifications/plida-certification</a>

Information about

PLIDA - registration deadlines and PLIDA <u>payment policy</u>: <a href="https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/plida">https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/plida</a>

**Registration for PLIDA @Politecnico**: through your PoliTo page, Languages Tab, Italian section, PLIDA.



# Welcome speech and practical tips by the LIFE Division

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# **CODICE FISCALE**

The Fiscal Code (Codice Fiscale) is a code made up of letters and numbers and it is used to identify the citizens living in Italy.

The Fiscal Code is needed for:

- enrolling at PoliTO
- opening a bank account
- receiveing the payment from a scolarship
- signing a rental contract

If you have not obtained it at the Italian Embassy/Consulate of your country you can get it at the local Revenue Agency (Uffici Locali dell'Agenzia delle Entrate)





# **CODICE FISCALE**

International Students - Fiscal code (polito.it)

Where to apply for Fiscal Code



- at *Politecnico di Torino* every Tuesday and Wednesday
  - → Book your appointment on your PoliTO Profile in the Reservation Tool
- at Agenzia delle Entrate
  - → by booking an appointment at <u>Direzione Provinciale I di TORINO Direzioni</u> <u>Provinciali e uffici Provinciali territorio Uffici Uffici Agenzia delle Entrate (agenziaentrate.gov.it)</u>



# **CODICE FISCALE**

### DOCUMENTS NEEDED at the appointment with Agenzia delle Entrate

passport/ID card and a photocopy of it visa (non-EU students) and a photocopy of it A4/8 form filled in

#### WHERE CAN YOU FIND THE FORM AND A SAMPLE ON HOW TO FILL IT IN?



<u>International Students - Fiscal code (polito.it)</u>

The official fiscal code must be uploaded in your PoliTO profile. Check how to do it in the Get Ready for PoliTO section!



# Immigration procedures

- European Union citizens are not required to apply for the residence permit. For staying longer than 3 months registration at "Ufficio Anagrafe" requested.
- Non-EU citizens have to apply for the <u>residence permit</u> within 8 working days from their arrival in Italy.
- Politecnico Immigration Desk can help you with the application procedures. In these weeks the service is open every day from Monday to Friday > appointment on your PoliTO Profile in the Reservation Tool

### Please

People with dual nationality (Italian or EU/ExtraEU) do not need to apply for the residence permit.

# Save the date

29th september at 11:00
AM in classroom 7 (Main Campus):
meeting, explaining residence permit procedures.



### Students' Canteen

**University canteens** are run by EDISU Piemonte. The closest University canteen to PoliTo Main Campus is located in Corso Castelfidardo, 30A. Check the other locations and the opening times <u>here</u>

You can benefit of the lowest fare.

If you don't have access to the lowest fare after that date or if you face any **problem related to that issue**, you can **contact EDISU Piemonte** through its ticketing service, section "Restaurant service": <a href="https://clio.edisu-piemonte.it/ticket.aspx">https://clio.edisu-piemonte.it/ticket.aspx</a>



#### **Accommodation**

PoliTO has a new service called «Cerco Alloggio».

Cerco Alloggio offers a service of orientation and support in the research of a rooms/flats to rent thanks to a database of certified apartments.

If you need help finding accommodation, book your appointment on your PoliTO student page.

Additional info <u>here</u>.



#### **Welcome Point**

You can find our mentor students and ask information about the procedures to be completed upon your arrival and much more. It is open until the 13th October from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

You can borrow book and magazines from the different libraries.

Libraries

### **Study Rooms**

Various <u>study rooms</u> are availble to have a quiet environment for studying.

#### LalB

Students have access to different Basic Informatic Laboratories (LaIB) for their activities.



### **Student Teams and Projects**

Students can join various <u>Student</u>
<u>Teams</u> to create a project that allows them to boost cultural and technical skills.

### **Counselling Service**

A <u>counselling service</u>, run by psychologists provides advice and support assuring privacy and confidentiality

#### **Student Societies**

<u>Student societies</u> allow students to share their interests and/or cultures.

### **Post Office and Bank**

A post office is available for every postal service and for the acceptance of the Residence permit requests.
Unicredit bank offers its services aimed at Politecnico students.



# PoliTO Welcome activities

Do you want to get familiar with PoliTO facilities?

SIGN UP FOR THE DAILY CAMPUS TOUR!



Are you interested to know the opportunities for students to enjoy campus life in a sustainable way?

# SIGN UP FOR THE Sustainability@ PoliTO event

JOIN AND HAVE FUN WITH THE OTHER ACTIVITIES!



# How to reach...

### **Immigration Desk**



### **Campus Help Desk**

Corso Castelfidardo 39 (Right side down the hall) on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, on appointment only.

(September and October open from Monday to Friday)



#### Info

E-mail >> immigration.desk@polito.it

#### <u>Desk Agenzia delle Entrate at PoliTo:</u>



### Campus Help Desk

Corso Castelfidardo 39 (Right side down the hall) on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, on appointment only.



#### Reservations

registration in the section "My Academic Progress" on your PoliTO Profile in the Reservation Tool



# Who can I contact...

For information regarding the **Italian language course? Language Center (CLA):** 

Ticketing service >> Foreign Language Learning

For information regarding the **Smart Card?** 

### **Registrar's Office:**

Ticketing service >>
Academic progress, rules
and other information

For information regarding your mobility and related documents?

International Mobility Unit:

Ticketing service >> Incoming Mobility

For information regarding exams and grades?

**Registrar's Office:** 

Ticketing service >>
Academic progress, rules
and other information

For information regarding courses in your Learning Agreement?

Your PoliTO Academic Advisor

For information regarding
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immigration.desk@polito.it
PoliTO Welcome
activities:
E-Mail>>
welcome.events@polito.it

Edisu:>> Ticketing service



# Any questions?



# Thank you!

