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**Call for applications for 14 scholarships for Afghan nationals
enrolling in a
Master of Science Program
for the Academic Year 2025-2026**



INTRODUCTION

The Politecnico di Torino aims at recruiting high-quality international students for its degree courses. The presence of a relevant number of talented international students in the university is a cultural value for the institution and for the region and its economic system.

This call aims in particular at supporting Afghan students with scholarships that will be awarded in the name of Mrs. Josephine Teresa Pratt and in honor of her husband Ing. Silvano Zorzi, who left a legacy for this specific purpose.

Scholarships will be awarded to Afghan students who meet the admission requirements in art. 1 below and who will enroll as full-time student in a Master of Science program (2nd level cycle - Laurea Magistrale) for the first time in A.Y. 2025/26 of Politecnico di Torino.

Art. 1. – Admission requirements

The benefits are intended for students who:

- have the Afghan citizenship;
- have a Bachelor Degree or an equivalent academic qualification in a foreign education system, outside Italy, providing access to a postgraduate degree program. Students with “equivalent academic qualification” are those enrolled in a foreign university in 5 or 6-year - i.e. single cycle degree combined Bachelor and Master program - who have not graduated yet but meet the minimum requirement of 15 years of global schooling (minimum 3 years at University level) and have acquired at least 180 ECTS credits or equivalent (pre-university or preparatory years are not counted in the achieved credits or years);
- **fulfill the [admission requirements](#) to be admitted to a Master’s Degree program of Politecnico di Torino in the A.Y. 2025/26;**
- have never been enrolled in a Degree Program at Politecnico or at any other Italian University and have never started the related academic career;

Art. 2. - Supports and benefits offered to the winners

2.1 - Amount, number and duration of the scholarships

Politecnico di Torino will support winners with **14 scholarships supported by a legacy in the name of Mrs. Josephine Teresa Pratt and in honor of her husband Ing. Silvano Zorzi.** The Gross Amount of the scholarship is **8.000 €** per year for the 2 years of the Master of Science program. **The net amount should be around 7.373,27 € per academic year, depending on individual tax conditions.**

The awarding of the scholarship for the second year is subject to the achievement of academic merit requirements (art. 6).



2.2 – Other benefits

Beneficiaries of the scholarship will benefit of the following services:

- exemption from Politecnico tuition fees for a.y. 2025/26 and 2026/27 (only in case of candidates with refugee status recognized by the Italian government);
- bureaucratic assistance in the application for the Italian residence permit provided by Politecnico Immigration Desk.

Art. 3 – Incompatibilities

The study grants cannot be combined with:

- other merit-based study grants/prizes issued by the Politecnico di Torino for the support of international students such as UNICORE;
- study grants issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI);
- scholarships offered by the Conference of Italian University Rectors - CRUI in favor of international protection holders;
- study grants issued by foreign governmental bodies or institutions aimed at assisting the enrolment of international students at Italian Universities;
- scholarships offered by Ente Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario (EDISU Piemonte).

Art. 4 – How to apply and deadlines

Applications can be submitted through the online application platform Apply@polito according to the timeframe of the two [calls for admission](#) to Polito Master's degree programs.

DEADLINE TO APPLY for the scholarship:

| A.y. 2025/26 | DEADLINE |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1 st CALL | 30/01/2025 |
| 2 nd CALL | 03/04/2025 |

Detailed information about the online application is available at:

<https://www.polito.it/en/education/applying-studying-graduating/admissions-and-enrolment/master-s-degree-programmes/applicants-with-a-non-italian-qualification>



The procedure for applying for the scholarships is the following:

- **REGISTER** in the online application. Enter your personal information exactly as presented in your passport. It may take you approximately 20 minutes to complete the application form. There is no time limit to fill it in and it can be completed in multiple sessions: https://didattica.polito.it/pls/portal30/sviluppo.pkg_apply.registrazione
- **LOG IN** the application with username and password received by email. If you don't receive the email, please double-check in your junk folder: https://didattica.polito.it/pls/portal30/sviluppo.pkg_apply.login
- **COMPLETE** the sections sequentially;
- **SELECT** up to two different MSc programs (in order of preference);
- **TICK** the option **“I wish to apply for scholarships for Afghan students Master of Science programs A.Y. 2025/26”** under the **“Research grants and scholarships”** section and **click on NEXT**;
- **ATTACH** all other required [documents](#) specified by our website;
- **SUBMIT** the application, clicking on **SAVE** and **SUBMIT** button.

Art. 5 – Selection process and scholarship assignment

The 14 scholarships will be awarded to candidates who fulfill the admission requirements (see art. 1) and have applied within the deadline as specified in art.4.

If the number of applicants is higher than 14, priority will be given to Afghan students who have been recognized the refugee status in Italy; scholarships who are left will be awarded to other Afghan students according to a ranking list based on the GPA (Grade Point Average) achieved in the previous academic career of each candidate. The GPA will be converted in its equivalent score in the Italian System according to the comparable table (**Annex 1**) issued by the Italian Ministry of Education.

5.1 – Provisional ranking list and scholarship assignment

Candidates will be ranked in a descending order of scores.

For equal points, preference will be given to the younger candidate.

The provisional **ranking list of eligible candidates** will be published at the link:

<https://www.polito.it/en/education/international-students/financial-aid> within **20/06/2025**.



5.2 – Acceptance and final ranking list

Winners must **accept** via written email the scholarship within **27/06/2025**.

Failing to provide a feedback by the given deadline will cause the loss of the scholarship.

If one or more final selected candidates withdraw from the scholarship program by the given deadline, the Politecnico di Torino will assign the scholarship to the next eligible candidate.

The **final ranking** list will be published at the link <https://www.polito.it/en/education/international-students/financial-aid> on **04/07/2025**.

If there are not enough candidates, the amounts made available will be used by Politecnico di Torino for scholarships to be announced in the following academic years, until the funds are exhausted.

Art. 6 – Payment and maintenance of the scholarship

6.1 - Scholarship payment

The scholarship is finally assigned and paid only:

- after completion of all enrolment procedures in a Master of Science Program of Politecnico di Torino in the first semester A.Y. 2025/26, as a full-time student;
- after student arrival in Torino.

In particular, payment of the scholarship is subordinate to:

- the possession of the admission requirements and relevant documentation for enrolment for A.Y. 2025/2026;
- for the registration in the second academic year, the possession of the maintenance requirements explained in art. 6.2;



If the student does not complete all the enrolment procedures, for any reason, he/she will lose the right to the scholarship.

Payment of the scholarship will occur in monthly instalments, covering the academic year (October 2025 - September 2026) as follows:

- 1st payment period: November 2025 - September 2026;
- if scholarship is maintained for second year: October 2026 -September 2027.

In order to receive the payment, scholarship recipients will be required to open a bank account in their name in an Italian bank or post office.



6.2 - Scholarship maintenance

In order to obtain the confirmation of the scholarship for the second academic year, students must meet the following requirements:

1. have a satisfactory academic performance level, in particular, achieve at least 30 credits (CFU) by September 30th 2026;
2. extra curricula or recognized credits (i.e. exams passed in a previous university career), credits related to language exams or recognized language certification, even if taken in Politecnico di Torino, will not be considered in the minimum number of achieved credits/exams;
3. register as a full-time student in the second year (A. Y. 2026/27);
4. not having been assigned any other Italian or foreign scholarships (including scholarships of the Ente Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario – EDISU Piemonte, MAECI, etc.).



Students must graduate within the last available session of their cohort, i.e. December 2027

6.3 - Withdrawal

Students who will withdraw from the degree program during their studies will automatically lose all benefits of the scholarship.

Art.7 - Treatment of personal data

In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679 – GDPR) and the “Code on the protection of personal data” (D.R. no.196 of 30th June 2003 and further amendments), Politecnico di Torino (Data Controller) shall process applicants’ personal data exclusively in pursuit of its institutional aims and for the transparency purposes imposed by the law. Personal data shall be processed in accordance with the principles of lawfulness, fairness and data minimization. The University policy on the processing of personal data is available at <https://www.polito.it/privacy/informative-privacy> or address to privacy@polito.it

Art.8 – Officer in charge of the administrative procedure

According to art. 5 of Italian Law n. 241 of 07/08/1990, the official in charge of the administrative procedure concerning this call for application is Alessandra Berlese.

Art.9 – Contacts

Recruitment and Admissions Unit: international.admission@polito.it



A Ministro dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca

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TABELLA DI CONVERSIONE DEI TITOLI STRANIERI

VALUTAZIONE ESAMI

I candidati che hanno conseguito esami di laurea in una Università straniera hanno a disposizione sul sito <http://www.university.it/> un sistema di conversione dei voti ottenuti sulla base della seguente formula:

$$\text{Voto} = \frac{V - V_{\min}}{V_{\max} - V_{\min}} * (I_{\max} - I_{\min}) + I_{\min}$$

V= Voto da convertire

Vmin=Voto minimo per la sufficienza nell'Università di provenienza

Vmax= Voto massimo nell'Università di provenienza

Imin= Voto minimo per la sufficienza nelle Università Italiane (= 18/30)

Imax= Voto massimo nelle Università Italiane (=30/30)

Per le valutazioni su scala qualitativa si fa riferimento alla seguente scala di conversione:

| Valutazione da convertire | Voto |
|---------------------------|------|
| A | 30 |
| B | 28 |
| C | 26 |
| D | 23 |
| E | 18 |

VALUTAZIONE VOTO DI LAUREA

I candidati che hanno conseguito la laurea in una Università straniera hanno a disposizione sul sito <http://www.university.it/> un sistema di conversione dei voti ottenuti sulla base della seguente formula:

$$\text{Voto} = \frac{V - V_{\min}}{V_{\max} - V_{\min}} * (I_{\max} - I_{\min}) + I_{\min}$$

V= Voto da convertire

Vmin=Voto minimo per la sufficienza nell'Università di provenienza

Vmax=Voto massimo nell'Università di provenienza

Imin= Voto minimo per la sufficienza nelle Università Italiane (= 66/110)

Imax=Voto massimo nelle Università Italiane (=110/110)

Per le valutazioni su scala qualitativa la Commissione nazionale attribuirà un punto alle votazioni ricomprese nel quintile superiore sulla base della valutazione dei singoli titoli presentati.

COURTESY TRANSLATION:

Ministry of Education, University and research

Attachment 5 – conversion table for foreign titles

Evaluation of exams grades

Candidates who hold a title conferred by a foreign University can refer to the conversion system available on the website www.universitaly.it.

The conversion system is obtained using the following mathematical formula:

GRADE: $G = \frac{G_{min}}{G_{max} - G_{min}} * (I_{max} - I_{min}) + I_{min}$

Where:

G: grade to be converted

Gmin: Minimum pass grade in the foreign grading system

Gmax: Maximum grade in the foreign grading system

Imin: Minimum pass grade for the Italian grading System (18/30)

Imax: Maximum grade in the Italian grading system (30/30)

For qualitative grades the following table is used:

A = 30

B = 28

C = 26

D = 23

E = 18