



FACULTY OF INFORMATION ENGINEERING, INFORMATICS, AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT STATISTICAL SCIENCES MASTER'S DEGREE STATISTICAL METHODS AND APPLICATIONS

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMME BETWEEN SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF INFORMATION ENGINEERING, INFORMATICS AND STATISTICS AND ÉCOLE NATIONALE DE LA STATISTIQUE ET DE L'ANALYSE DE L'INFORMATION (ENSAI)

Call for applications and selection results available on: https://web.uniroma1.it/trasparenza/dettaglio\_bando/215589

Application deadline via email at the email address didattica-dss@uniroma1.it: 10 April 2024 - at 23:59

# ART. 1 PREAMBLE

The double degree programme is an integrated course of study that includes an educational pathway designed ad hoc with the foreign university and a period of mobility.

The selected student will spend part of his or her career at Sapienza and part at the foreign university, taking advantage of the services and facilities available without having to pay additional tuition fees<sup>1</sup>.

At the end of the course of study, the educational activities will be recognised by both universities and the student will obtain an Italian degree and a foreign degree of equal level and recognised in both countries involved.

Double, multiple or joint degree programmes are unique opportunities that can offer students the valuable advantage of benefiting in academic, professional and cultural terms from different contexts and of transversal skills: a specific added value that generates an international profile ready to face global challenges.

The Faculty of Information Engineering, Informatics and Statistics of Sapienza University of Rome and the École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Analyse de l'Information (ENSAI) have signed an agreement to establish a double degree programme with reference to the Master's Degree in Statistical Methods and Applications. In this regard, the selection procedure for the academic year 2024/2025 is announced for 3 students and for the awarding of no. 3 scholarships

### **ART. 2 Double Degree Program Features**

Type of mobility:	Double Degree
Mobility structure:	The whole second year is spent at ENSAI.
Mobility academic year:	2024/2025
Available Slots:	3
Available Scholarships:	3
Total months scholarships:	10 (to be benefit on a continuous basis)





#### **ART. 3 REQUIREMENTS**

This call is open to students enrolled in the I year of the Master's Degree in Statistical Methods and Applications LM-82 curriculum Data Analyst / curriculum Official Statistics / curriculum Quantitative Economics of a.y. 2023/2024.

To participate in the call for applications, you must meet the following requirements:

- be up to date with the payment of university fees;

- not be receiving, at the same time as the scholarship in question, grants for international exchanges or stays abroad, on Sapienza funds (it is possible to participate in more than one call for applications in the same academic year if compatible with each other, but the period of study must be different. This grant may not be combined with grants from the 'Scholarship for thesis abroad' programme);

- retain student status until the end of the study period abroad and not obtain the degree before recognition by the Academic Mobility Manager (RAM) of the educational activity carried out at the host university;

#### **ART. 4 APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Applications are submitted from the date of publication of this call until 23:59 on 10 April 2024.

The application, completed in full and signed, must be sent by email, to the attention of the Chair of the Master Programme, to the address didattica-dss@uniroma1.it, indicating in the subject line of the email "Candidatura bando Doppio Titolo Sapienza LM-82 - ENSAI".

The following documents must be attached to the application form (Annex A)

- Valid identification document
- Codice fiscale
- Curriculum vitae

- Certificate of examinations taken (printable from your reserved area on Infostud, in the section "Certificates" section). Failure to submit the documents indicated in this notice by the deadline indicated, as well as the Failure to provide the documents indicated in this call for applications by the deadline indicated, as well as the inaccuracy of the self-certified or declared information, shall constitute grounds for exclusion.

### **ART. 5 COMPATIBILITY**

Students who have previously been awarded a non-EU mobility grant may not be awarded a second grant from the same funds, unless they are enrolled in subsequent cycles of their academic career.

It is not permissible to receive, at the same time as the grant in question, subsidies granted under another title, for international exchanges international exchanges or stays abroad, on Sapienza funds (it is possible to participate in more than one call for applications in the same academic year academic year, if compatible with each other, but the period of study must be different). This grant is not cumulative with grants awarded under the 'Scholarship for thesis abroad' programme. Applicants awarded a double-degree mobility grant who are subsequently awarded an Erasmus+EU grant must inform the offices of the Didactic Internationalization Sector and extra-EU mobility, to the programme manager (contacts as per Art. 8 and 16) and to the Erasmus+EU Offices of which grant they intend to use and for which period/semester on pain of exclusion from both. It is not possible to use, within the same period/semester of mobility, both grants (grant Erasmus+EU and Double Title grant - Teaching internationalization and extra-EU mobility sector)

### ART. 6 SELECTION CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO THE DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMME AND SELECTION





applications received by the deadline, in accordance with the conditions laid down in this call for applications, and will draw up a merit ranking based on the following criteria:

- academic career. The exams recorded in the Master's degree course will be taken into consideration.

The commission shall have the right to assess exams taken subsequently and in any case no later than the closure of the selection procedure;

# - documents attached to the application.

In assigning the mobility, in the event of a tied score, age will be taken into consideration, giving preference to the younger candidate.

On the basis of the above criteria, the Commission will draw up a provisional ranking list, which will be published on the University's Transparent Administration Portal, on the University Degree Courses platform and on the Faculty's website.

The selected candidates will be effectively admitted to the double degree programme under the following conditions - they must be enrolled in the Master's Degree Course in **STATISTICAL METHODS AND APPLICATIONS (LM-82)** at Sapienza Università di Roma according to the procedures and deadlines established by the administrative secretariat and have obtained at the end of the first year 60 credits in accordance with the international agreement.

The list of candidates selected by Sapienza Università di Roma will be shared with ENSAI. The latter has the faculty to request further certification, accept or refuse the candidature.

Students definitively admitted to the programme will carry out their second year at ENSAI.

To be admitted to the second year at ENSAI it is necessary to have acquired 60 credits from the first year at Sapienza Università di Roma as per the study plan of the double degree programme attached to this call (Annex1).

# ART. 7 PUBLICATION OF THE RESULTS

The ranking will be published on the Transparent Administration Portal of the University, on the University Degree Courses platform as well as on the Faculty website by 15 April 2024.

Selected candidates must confirm in writing their acceptance of participation in the programme or decline in accordance with Article 8 of this notice.

# **ART. 8 ACCEPTANCE**

Selected students will be required to confirm their acceptance through email within 7 working days from the notification of results.

The email must be addressed to <u>didattica-dss@uniroma1.it</u> with Subject "Accettazione/Rifiuto programma doppio titolo in SMA-Sapienza - ENSAI".

Failure to comply with this deadline will be construed as a waiver.

In case of refusal or missing notification by the deadline, the following candidate in the waiting list will be recalled. Recalled students will be required to confirm their participation by written notice within 2 working days.

Acceptance of the scholarship is a serious commitment. A renouncement is accepted only for extremely serious reasons and must be communicated by e-mail as soon as possible so as to recall the following candidates. If the renounce occurs after the assignment of the 1st tranche of the scholarship, it must be given back immediately.

## **ART. 9 WAIVER OF MOBILITY**

Acceptance of the student mobility grant is a serious commitment made by the applicant. Successful students are invited to limit withdrawals to serious and proven cases of force majeure, which must be promptly communicated in





writing to the contacts listed in art. 17 and in cc doubledegree.sapienza@uniroma1.it to allow the first reserve candidate to take their place, in time for the organization of the mobility period.

Candidates who fail to communicate their waiver, or who communicate their renunciation late and whose after the acceptance of the grant, will be asked to refund any contribution already received.

The double degree mobility grant and the Erasmus in Europe grant cannot be combined for the same semester of mobility abroad. In the event of waiver, the Internationalisation Area, upon confirmation by the teacher responsible for the agreement, will proceed to assign the mobility to the students next in the ranking who may then be called by email and asked to give feedback within 3 working days, otherwise the mobility will be revoked.

# ART.10 STUDY PLAN

The study plan for the double degree programme, to which participating students must adhere, is approved by both institutions and is contained in the ANNEX to this notice.

The list of courses may in part be subject to change should the course offerings change.

Selected students are required to read and accept the content and rules of the study plan.

The courses indicated must be taken and passed during the mobility period and at the university indicated in the study plan. In the event that the student fails one or more of the exams set out in the study plan, he/she is given the option to retake the exam at the university where the course was taken, according to the rules and procedures of the university providing the course.

The exams taken will be recognised in the student career of both universities according to what is established in the study plan of the double degree.

### ART. 11 THESIS AND TITLE AWARD

The selected student will write their thesis following the instructions of the supervisors of both Universities and respecting the procedures and deadlines for thesis assignment indicated by the student secretariat.

The thesis will be discussed at Sapienza. The thesis must be written in English and a copy must be submitted to both institutions.

The final grade will be given separately by the two universities.

The student, for the purposes of obtaining the double degree, will have the opportunity to discuss the thesis no later than 31/10/2025.

Upon completion of the programme, the following degrees will be awarded, depending on the curriculum:

"Laurea Magistrale in Statistical Methods and Applications" LM-82 - curriculum Data Analyst issued by Sapienza Università di Roma and "Master Mathématiques Appliquées, Statistique, parcours-type Statistics for Smart Data" issued by ENSAI

or

*"Laurea Magistrale in Statistical Methods and Applications" LM-82 - curriculum Official Statistics or curriculum Quantitative Economics, issued by Sapienza Università di Roma and "Master Mathématiques Appliquées, Statistique, parcours-type Evaluation et Décision Publiques (Public Decision Making)" issued by ENSAI* 

The degree may be awarded provided that the student has met the necessary criteria, i.e., having passed all the exams and obtained the credits in the double degree study plan in accordance with the time and manner established by the programme.

A selected student who has started the double degree and mobility pathway but has not met the criteria set by the programme (either in progress or at the end of the programme) will lapse from the double degree programme and will be reintegrated into the normal course of study at the university of origin.

### ART. 12 COSTS

For each academic year, students are required to enroll and pay fees at their home university. They are also required





to enroll at the host university without paying further fees and in accordance with the host institution's procedures. The latter may, however, request insurance and administrative expenses not covered by Sapienza University.

Travel and living expenses, and any other expenses incurred in the host country, are entirely borne by the students.

### ART. 13 LOGISTICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR THE MOBILITY PERIOD

Selected candidates must make their own arrangements:

- provide themselves with the documentation necessary for their departure and required by the host country (passport, invitation letter or declaration from the host university, accommodation, etc.).

- make their own arrangements for adequate health insurance cover during their stay abroad, and take out adequate travel insurance, if necessary, in accordance with the arrangements of the host country.

Sapienza Università di Roma does not provide assistance or assume responsibility for the completion of the practices above, which are the sole responsibility of the student.

Each successful student is insured by the University for civil liability, accidents only during the performance of academic activities also for the period of mobility abroad (https://www.uniroma1.it/it/pagina/polizze-assicurative-studenti).

[The aforementioned insurances only concern study and research activities and do not include coverage for risks related to the exercise of the medical profession and healthcare facilities. Therefore, students in the health area will be responsible for obtaining such insurance independently].

### **ART. 14 SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### **14.1 GENERAL ASPECTS**

Mobility grants are awarded exclusively for the performance of academic activities abroad and are limited to the period of assigned mobility.

In order to be eligible for the grant, the student must sign the mobility contract and follow the instructions that will be provided by the Didactic Internationalisation and Extra-EU Mobility Sector when the mobility is assigned, strictly prior to departure.

The grant may only be used ONCE per study cycle.

The grant may not be combined with other Sapienza grants (grants for dissertations abroad, EU Erasmus+ grants or grants from other mobility programmes) with the exception of the study grant provided by Laziodisco.

The scholarship awarded on the basis of this call for applications constitutes a reimbursement of part of the costs of living abroad. The winning candidate will have to cover all expenses, including those for visa, travel, board and lodging and any fees for participation in international programmes imposed by the host university, as well as taking out an insurance policy for medical expenses at the time of the award.

### 14.2 AMOUNT

The grant is provided by the International Office - Non-EU Mobility and International Educational Agreements Unit (ARI) and is equal to 700€ net per month for the first five months of mobility. Starting from the 6th month of mobility, the amount is set at €500 net per month, for a minimum period abroad of 90 days (3 months) as per BoD resolution no. 426/19 issued on 17.12.2019.

The scholarship will correspond to the effective and continuing duration of the mobility, proved by the acceptance





letter, the arrival certificate, the departure certificate and the transcript of records issued by host University and according to the academic calendar and the maximum amount assigned.

The duration of the mobility cannot be less than three months (90 days) and not more than 12 months (2 consecutive semesters) ) or the maximum stay defined in the inter-university agreement and detailed in the mobility assignment and the present call.

The grant will correspond to the actual and continuous duration of the mobility, as attested by the certificates of arrival and departure issued by the host university, the academic calendar of the host university and the transcript of records. The letter of acceptance and the certificates of arrival and departure issued by the host university and the transcript of records will be the basis for the payment of the grant.

For durations longer than three months, the entire monthly contribution will be recognised starting from the 16th day of stay at the host University. No further monthly grant payments will be made in the event of a stay exceeding the months of mobility of the grant allocated.

For mobility of 1 semester for study (3, 4, 5 or 6 months), possible monthly extensions may be granted but without a contribution.

For mobility of 2 consecutive semesters, provided for in the bilateral agreement signed with the host university, the mobility duration must be at least 9 months and 16 days. No grants will be awarded for mobility of 7, 8 and 9 months. The following table summarizes the contributions corresponding to the duration of mobility

Assigned Months	Minimum duration abroad	Total amount
3 months	90 days	2100€
4 months	3 months and 16 days	2800€
5 months	4 months and 16 days	3500€
6 months	5 months and 16 days	4000€
10 months	9 months and 16 days	6000€
11 months	10 months and 16 days	6500€
12 months	11 months and 16 days	7000€

Please note: If the grant awarded to the student is for 4 months, the grant will be €2,800. The minimum stay in order to receive the full grant will be 3 months and 16 days.

### **14.3 TAXATION**

According to Article 1, Paragraph 50 of Law No. 208 of 28.12.2015, the exemptions provided for in Article 1, Paragraph 3 of Decree-Law No. 105 of 9 May 2003, converted, with amendments, by Law No. 170 of 11 July 2003, apply to scholarships for international mobility, unless further regulatory changes are made.

### **14.4 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT**

The grant is paid according to the terms and conditions contained in the mobility contract that will be signed by the student and ARI - Non-EU Mobility and International educational Agreements Unit and also listed below:

### ONE SEMESTER MOBILITY

The minimum period abroad must be equal to 90 days (3 months). The scholarship will be accredited in two installments:





- The first installment, which amounts to 70% of the scholarship will be accredited to your bank account within 60 days of the signature of the contract.
- The remaining 30% will be accredited upon return.

# TWO SEMESTERS MOBILITY

The minimum period abroad must be equal to 10 months or 9 months and 16 days.

The scholarship will be accredited in 3 installments:

- 70% within 60 days of the signature of the contract.

- 70% upon completion of the first semester abroad specifically in February or July, as an advance on the estimated duration for the second semester;

- balance upon return

The actual final balance will only be accredited when all necessary documentation, as described in the contract, has been submitted.

Selected students will receive the scholarship on condition that:

- they receive the acceptance letter issued by the host university stating a minimum period of stay equal to 90 days (3 months)

- they fill in the online Learning agreement approved by the Academic Coordinators for International Mobility (RAMs) - they have signed the contract.

All the procedures required by the International Office (ARI) are due to be concluded by 10 days before starting of the mobility.

# **14.5 LEARNING AGREEMENT**

According to the "Regulations for student mobility and recognition of study and training periods abroad" (R.D. prot. no. 34218 of 13.05.2015) within the framework of the double degree mobility programme, Sapienza students have the opportunity to benefit from a mobility program whose outcomes are validated and transferred directly into their careers.

To this end, the selected student is required to complete an official online study plan (Learning Agreement - LA) via his/her personal page by entering only the courses envisaged in the double degree study plan(appendix 1). The Learning Agreement

- is prepared before departure and only after confirmation of the award of the scholarship and its acceptance by the student;

- must be approved by the Academic Responsible for Mobility (RAM - list available here:

https://www.uniroma1.it/it/pagina/coordinatori-e-responsabili-accademici-mobilita-internazionale-0).

- must be completed by the student in agreement with the Academic Responsible for the agreement, the RAM and the host institution in order to guarantee the passing of the relevant examinations/thesis abroad and the consequent recognition of the credits obtained;

- must include a minimum of 12 CFU of exams recognised in Sapienza, upon return. For mobility of 2 consecutive semesters, the minimum number of CFU to be recognised on return is 24 CFU.

Please note: The minimum number of credits for recognition is to be considered on the Sapienza exams included in the student's career and not on the number of credits of foreign examinations that the student intends to acquire abroad.

The definition and consequent approval of the online LA are compulsory and binding for the purposes of the fruition of the mobility and payment of the grant, under penalty of exclusion from the mobility.

# 14.6 DOCUMENTATION COMPLIANCE AND RETURN OF THE GRANT

Required Documentation will be subjected to verification by the International Office (ARI) If such documentation does not comply with the requests students may be requested to return the installment back to Sapienza International Office (ARI).





The student may requested to refund the grant if:

- has not taken exams or carried out the thesis research agreed for a minimum of 12 CFU and consequently obtained the recognition of credits accrued abroad;

- has completed their mobility before the minimum of 90 days;

- has received as first installment of the grant an amount higher than the total amount for the entire duration of the mobility. The actual length of the mobility will be attested by the certificate of arrival and departure (form can be found on the personal page of the selected student);

- the period of attendance is not continuous;

The balance of the grant may not be recognized to the student in case does not provide all the end of mobility documentation required by ARI - Non-EU Mobility and International Educational Agreements Unit within the terms established in the mobility contract.

#### ART. 15 PROCEDURE SUPERVISOR

Following Law no. 241, August 7, 1990, the person in charge of the procedure, for information and methods of exclusive competence of the "Sapienza" University of Rome, is Dott.ssa Antonella Palombo e-mail: antonella.palombo@uniroma1.it .

# **ART. 16 CONTROLS**

Please note that, in accordance with art. 71 of Presidential Decree 445 of 28/12/2000, Sapienza University of Rome checks the truthfulness of the self-certifications in accordance with the regulations in force and the incompatibility of the mobility grant in question with grants awarded for other purposes, for international exchanges or stays abroad on Sapienza funds. Should checks carried out on individual information reveal a false declaration for the purposes of allocation of mobility grants for foreign countries, the grant itself will be revoked and any sums already paid will be recovered.

#### **ART. 17 CONTACTS**

ACADEMIC SUPERVISOR: Prof. LUCA TARDELLA E-mail: sma-dss@uniroma1.it ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISOR: Dott.ssa Antonella Palombo E-mail: antonella.palombo@uniroma1.it Tel. 0649910063 Address: Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, 00185, Roma Receiving hours: upon appointment by email

#### **ART. 18 PERSONAL DATA PROCESSING**

The personal data provided by the candidates with the application form will be processed to manage the selections and the subsequent phases of the project within and for the institutional purposes of the Public Administration. The processing of personal data is governed by the European Regulation no. 679 of 27.4.2016 - GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) as well as by the national legislation in force (Legislative Decree 196/2003 - Personal Data Protection Code).

The report, pursuant to Article 13 of EU Regulation no. 679/2016 is available at:

https://www.uniroma1.it/sites/default/files/field\_file\_allegati/informativatrattamentodati\_.pdf or can be downloaded at the page : <u>https://www.uniroma1.it/it/pagina/titoli-doppi-multipli-e-congiunti</u>





#### ANNEX A – APPLICATION FORM

#### APPLICATION FORM

#### DOUBLE DEGREE a.a. mobility 2024/2025

To the kind attention of the President of the CdS of the Master's Degree in Statistical Methods and Applications Faculty of INFORMATION ENGINEERING, INFORMATICS AND STATISTICS Department of Statistical Sciences Sapienza Università di Roma Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5 00185, Roma

The undersigned	, born in
on	with permanent address at
Province of	Country

# REQUESTS

- to be admitted to the call for applications for the appointment of students who will participate at the double degree programme set up between Sapienza University of Rome and the École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Analyse de l'Information (ENSAI)

- To this end he/she declares, pursuant to art. 76, D.P.R. 445/2000, under his/her personal responsibility and in the full awareness that any false statement made in this document will entail:

- that I am enrolled at Sapienza University with registration number .....;

- that I have not been convicted of any criminal offense and that I have no pending criminal proceedings;

- I authorize the Department of STATISTICAL SCIENCES of the Sapienza University of Rome to process and store my

personal data for the purposes of the activities relating to the selection, pursuant to GDPR 679/2016.

Please find attached with the application

1) A photocopy of a valid identity document and the tax identification number or national identification number

(applicable to foreign nationals);

2) A copy of the certificate of exams taken (with details of exams and marks);

3) Curriculum Vitae;

4) Any certification of knowledge of foreign languages. Specify which ones:

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Finally, the undersigned requests that any communication concerning this application be made to the following institutional address:

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Date, .....

Signature .....