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**INTERNATIONAL DOUBLE DEGREE COURSES
(DOUBLE DEGREE COURSE)**

ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025

PUBLIC CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE ADMISSION OF N. 10 STUDENTS TO THE DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAM - MASTER'S DEGREE IN "INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS" CURRICULUM "INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS" AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MACERATA (ITALY), AND "INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION" AT THE EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY VIADRINA (FRANKFURT AM ODER, GERMANY)
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, COMMUNICATION AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Whereas Art. 3, Par. 10 of Ministerial Decree No. 270 of 2004 establishes that "On the grounds of specific agreements Italian universities may also issue joint qualifications with other Italian or foreign university institutions";

Whereas there exists a cooperation agreement signed on November 1, 2023, between the University of Macerata (Italy) and the European University Viadrina (Frankfurt an der Oder, Germany).

IT IS PUBLICLY NOTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1 - Purpose

For the academic year 2024-2025, a public call for applications is announced for admission of a maximum 10 students to the Double Degree program in "International Relations", curriculum "International Economic Relations" at the University of Macerata (Italy) and "International Business Administration" at the European University Viadrina (Frankfurt am Oder, Germany).

Selected students will need to apply for the Erasmus+ Studio call for applications for the academic year 2025/2026, which is expected to be announced at the beginning of the second week of January 2025. More information can be found on the website: <https://iro.unimc.it/it>. This call for applications will allow eligible students to receive priority consideration for grants to spend their second year at the European University Viadrina, if they meet the requirements outlined in the call. Students who have previously received these grants, as detailed in the Erasmus programme guidelines, will be responsible for covering all costs associated with their stay at both universities.

Article 2 - Course Description

The purpose of the cooperation agreement between the two universities, UNIMC (University of Macerata) and EUV (European University Viadrina), is as follows: students from the European University Viadrina, in addition to earning a Master's Degree in "International Business Administration" will also be able to obtain a Master's Degree in International Relations (Class LM-52) with a focus on "International Economic Relations" from the University of Macerata (Italy). Students from the University of Macerata, will complete their Master's Degree in "International Relations" in "International Economic Relations," will be able to earn a Master's Degree in "International Business

Administration" from the European University Viadrina. This will be accomplished through the recognition of courses taken and approved in the respective degree programs at both universities. For each academic year, a maximum of ten students can apply to the host institution. Students will pay tuition fees exclusively in their home university and will be admitted to the partner university on a reciprocal basis. European University Viadrina requires that students from UNIMC also pay a semester contribution of approximately €300.00 to cover administrative expenses and public transport. Selected students will spend their study period at the partner university during the second (academic year 2025-2026). The minimum number of credits that must be earned during the study period abroad is 60 ects. Please note that for the academic year 2025-2026, students admitted to the double degree program must arrive at the partner university in time for the start of the winter semester in October 2025. A detailed list of courses scheduled for each semester can be found at the bottom of this call for applications (Appendix A). While at Viadrina, students from the University of Macerata who are admitted to the exchange program will be allowed to take exams according to the established rules and in accordance with the agreement signed with UniMC. This agreement allows for two additional exam attempts, if the first attempt does not yield a satisfactory result.

Article 3 - Admission Requirements

To apply students need to be regularly enrolled or pre-enrolled (those who complete their enrollment within the deadlines specified in the University Regulations) in the first year of the Master's Degree Program in "International Relations," Class LM-52, in "International Economic Relations".

Article 4 - Application Process and Required Documentation

Students interested in participating in the selection must submit their application using the specific form (Appendix B). This form can be downloaded from the website of the Department of Political Sciences, Communication, and International Relations at the following link: <https://spocri.unimc.it/it/didattica/mobilita-internazionale>.

Along with the application, candidates must include the required documentation, which should be submitted in PDF/A or PDF format and must be duly signed by the applicant, either in handwritten or digital form. The application must be submitted by January 17, 2025, in order to not be excluded from the selection process. Applications can be submitted in one of the following ways:

- by returning them by hand (Monday to Friday from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM) at the Student Secretariat, located at Corso Matteotti, No. 45, 62100 - Macerata.
- by email: to be sent to the address l.spadoncelli@unimc.it.
- by registered mail: mailed with acknowledgment of receipt (please note that the postmark is not valid) to the address above. Please indicate on the envelope "Application for participation in the double degree selection UNIMC-EUV – Department SPOCRI".
- by certified Electronic Mail (PEC): send an email from a PEC address to the University of Macerata's institutional certified email address: ateneo@pec.unimc.it, with the subject "Application for participation in the UNIMC-EUV – SPOCRI Department double degree selection".

Please ensure that the following documents are attached to the application for admission; failure to do so will result in exclusion from the selection process:

- copy (front and back) of a valid identification document.
- curriculum vitae in European format, dated and signed.
- Any additional qualifications deemed relevant for the selection process.



Article 5 - Selection Methods and Evaluation Criteria

The selection of candidates will be based on their qualifications and language proficiency tests in English or German. An evaluation of qualifications will be conducted by a Commission appointed by the Director of the Department (hereinafter referred to as the Commission). Each application for admission to the selection process will undergo a preliminary assessment through a one-hour language test. This test will determine whether each candidate has achieved at least a B2 level of proficiency in either English or German, as outlined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. Candidates will be notified in order to take the test via email at least five days in advance. Candidates who possess a recognized and valid language certification may be exempt from the language test, if they submit it along with their application for this announcement. If one or more candidates fail to meet the minimum required proficiency level, the Commission reserves the right to conduct further assessments to ascertain their knowledge of either language. Applications will be classified as admissible or inadmissible during the second selection phase (evaluation). The list of candidates admitted to the evaluation phase will be published on the website of the Department of Political Sciences, Communication, and International Relations at the following page: <https://spocri.unimc.it/it/didattica/mobilita-internazionale>. The evaluation of admissible applications will be conducted by the Commission, which will assign a maximum of 20 points based on the following criteria:

- degree mark from a three-year university diploma or an equivalent qualification obtained abroad, recognized as valid under current legislation (maximum 10 points);
- Additional certified language skills (maximum 3 points);
- completed internships or traineeships (maximum 3 points);
- Other relevant experiences, such as certificates for mobility abroad, participation in the Erasmus program, etc. (maximum 4 points).

The final ranking will be determined by the total scores of each candidate who is admitted to the selection process. In the event of a tie between candidates, the ranking will be established in the following order of priority:

1. Degree mark from a three-year university diploma or an equivalent qualification obtained abroad, recognized as valid under current legislation;
2. Age of the candidate (younger candidates will be prioritized).

Article 6 - Publication of the Ranking

The ranking of admitted students will be published on the website of the Department of Political Sciences, Communication, and International Relations starting from January 24, 2025. This publication serves as the official notification. Candidates who are eligible must confirm their acceptance by sending an email to l.spadoncelli@unimc.it no later than January 27, 2025. Failure to do so will result in the candidate being excluded from the program, and the ranking will proceed with notifying other suitable candidates in line. If any candidates withdraw, suitable replacements will be promptly informed.

Article 7 - Use of Institutional Email Address

Administrative information will be sent to students' institutional email addresses, which are created using the username assigned during registration, with the format: `username@studenti.unimc.it`. For example, if your username is `m.rossi`, your email address will be `m.rossi@studenti.unimc.it`.

This email address will be active once your course registration is completed. To access your email, please visit <https://login.unimc.it>. Students are required to check their email regularly.

Article 8 - Responsibility for the Procedure and Access to Documents

According to current regulations, Dr. Massimiliano Strada, the Head of the Didactics services office in the Department of Political Science, Communication, and International Relations, located in Via Don Minzoni, 22/A - 62100 Macerata (m.strada@unimc.it - Tel. 0733.258.2771), is designated as Responsible for the administrative procedure related to the selection process. Candidates have the right to access documents pertaining to the selection procedure in accordance with the current laws. Requests for access must be submitted to the URP office of the University at Via Crescimbeni 30-32, 62100 Macerata.

Article 9 - Information on the Processing of Personal Data

The personal data provided by candidates will be collected and processed by the University of Macerata for the purposes of managing the selection process and related activities. This will be done in accordance with Legislative Decree 196/2003, Legislative Decree 101/2018, and the European Regulation for the Protection of Personal Data (GDPR EU 2016/679). Detailed information regarding personal data protection at the University of Macerata is available on the webpage dedicated to privacy.

Article 10 - Final Provisions

For any matters not specified in this announcement, please refer to the current legislation in force.

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Appendix A – Study Plan UNIMC – EUV

EUV- International Business Administration Track-modules (FACT, FINE, DSDS, M&M)			UniMC – International Relations study track International Economic Relations			Notes
Disciplines	ECTS	Sem.	Disciplines	ECTS	Sem.	
FIRST YEAR						
Quantitative Methods (M&M) or Statistical Quality Control (DSDS)	6		Quantitative Methods for Economics	8	1	fully transferred
European Economic Integration (FINE) Or Equivalent course	6		Comparative Government and Politics of west and east Europe	8	1	fully transferred
Current Research on People, Work, Organization & Management (M&M) OR Management Science (DSDS) OR Scientific Work: An Advanced Perspective (M&M) OR Work, Organizations & Change (M&M) Or Equivalent course	6		Project Cycle Management (Mod. Theory + Mod. Applied)	8	1	fully transferred
Selected Topics in Finance & International Economics (FINE)	6		International Trade and Investment: issues and policies	8	1	fully transferred
Selected Topics in Management & Marketing (M&M) OR Marketing Communication (M&M) OR Seminar Marketing (M&M) (Different Topics) OR	6		International Marketing	8	2	fully transferred



Consumer Behavior OR Topics in Consumer Research (M&M) Or Equivalent course						
Case Studies related to the Law and Economics of European Competition Policy (FINE) or equivalent	6		European Union Institutions and Policies	8	2	fully transferred
Foreign Language	6		Foreign language: - English for economic and political relations - French for International Relations - Advanced German - Advanced Spanish - Arabic Chinese - Russian - Italian Language and Culture (for international students)	8	1/2	fully transferred
SECOND YEAR						
Foreign Language	6		Foreign language: - English for economic and political relations - French for International Relations - Advanced German - Advanced Spanish - Arabic - Chinese - Russian	8	3/4	respectively taught in UniMC and EUV
Selected Topics in Finance & International Economics (FINE) OR Master Seminar Paper in Applied Economics (FINE) OR Master Seminar in Applied Economics (FINE) OR	6		Development Economics	8	3	respectively taught in UniMC and EUV



Economics of Climate Change (FINE) OR Migration Economics (FINE) Or equivalent						
Advancing Business Ideas (M&M) OR Business, Ethics & Responsibility (M&M) OR Business Model Development: Idee, Konzept, Value Proposition, Markt (M&M) OR Seminar Internationales Management (M&M) OR New Perspectives in Management and Entrepreneurship Theory (M&M) OR Culture, Leadership and Diversity (M&M) Or equivalent	6		International Business Strategy	8	3	respectively taught in UniMC and EUV
The Law and Economics of European Competition Policy (FINE) Or equivalent	6		International Trade Law (mod. Theory + Applied)	8	3	respectively taught in UniMC and EUV
<i>Different courses on our Master Programme*</i>	6		<i>Elective course*</i>	8	3/4	respectively taught in UniMC and EUV
<i>Non-business/economics modules*</i>	6		<i>Extracurricular activities*</i> (Computer skills, internships, other useful knowledge for entering the world of work, Global Justice and Technology Lab (II sem.))	8	4	respectively taught in UniMC and EUV
<i>Master's Thesis*</i> (21 ECTS) Final Colloquium (3 ECTS)	24		<i>Final thesis*</i> (12 ECTS) (including Academic writing (4 ECTS))	16	4	Academic writing is to be taken in Macerata
Total ECTS	120		Total ECTS	120		