

**Call for Extraordinary Financial Aid for International Students
coming from Countries in emergency situations**

**Article 1
Purpose**

The University of Pavia provides extraordinary financial aid for the academic year 2023-24 to support international students facing exceptional distress due to serious emergency events in their home country. The severe emergency events eligible for assistance include:

- a) Catastrophic events falling under natural disasters;
- b) Serious political disorders, uprisings, coups d'état;
- c) Humanitarian crises;
- d) State of war;
- e) State of emergency for reasons other than those mentioned above.

**Article 2
Scope**

The funds allocated for extraordinary financial aid are covered by the "BORSE_ IN/OUT" project of the International Relations Service, as per resolution no. 119/2023 of the Board of Directors (CdA) dated 28/03/2023. The amount of extraordinary financial aid per student is €3,000.00 (gross recipient) and can be combined with similar forms of assistance provided by public and private entities. The extraordinary financial aid can only be granted once during the entire academic career. The disbursement of extraordinary financial aid cannot precede the arrival date of the beneficiaries in Italy.

**Article 3
Requirements**

To qualify for extraordinary financial aid, recipients under Article 1 must meet the following requirements:

- Be regularly enrolled in a Bachelor's degree program, master's degree program, single-cycle master's degree program, Ph.D. program, or vocational programs (i.e. *Master universitario*) at the University of Pavia for the academic year 2023/2024.
- Possess a foreign access qualification.
- Be citizens of a country experiencing an emergency due to severe events, as described in Article 1.

Hold one of the following documents:

- Study visa for enrollment at the University of Pavia.

- Residence permit for study, international protection (refugee status or subsidiary protection), humanitarian reasons, special protection reasons, or other forms of temporary protection under current Italian immigration regulations.
- International protection application.

International students on exchange programs at the University of Pavia, with any mobility program are not considered eligible.

Article 4

Application Procedure and Deadlines

The participation application must be completed exclusively through the [online procedure](#), attaching the following documents:

- Copy of the passport.
- Copy of the study visa for enrollment at the University of Pavia or copy of the residence permit for study, international protection, or international protection application.
- Documentation or declaration proving the severe events in the student's home country for which financial assistance is requested.
- Curriculum vitae et studiorum.

It is important to note that, according to Article 75 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of December 28, 2000, if the truthfulness of the declaration is found to be false after verification, the declarant will lose any benefits acquired based on the false declaration.

Applications for extraordinary financial aid for the academic year 2023-24 can be submitted from **January 8 to June 30, 2024**. Applications will be evaluated in chronological order of submission until the available funds are exhausted. The outcome will be communicated approximately four weeks after receiving the application.

Article 5

Criteria for Selection of Applications

Applications will be evaluated by an assessment committee appointed by the Rector based on the following criteria and scores:

- Curriculum vitae and academic record: 50%
- Severity of the events affecting the home country: 50%

A personal interview with the candidates.

The assessment committee will communicate the selection outcome based on these criteria approximately four weeks after receiving the applications.

Article 6

Allocation of Extraordinary Financial Aid

Beneficiaries will receive specific communication via email to the address provided in the application by the International Relations Service regarding the selection outcome. In case of financial aid allocation, they will receive instructions on acceptance and disbursement modalities.

Article 7 Exemption from Tuition Fees

Recipients of extraordinary financial aid are exempt from paying university fees for the academic year 2023-24, excluding the regional fee of €156. Those who have already paid tuition fees will receive a refund, excluding the regional fee of €156.

Article 8 Payment of Extraordinary Financial Aid

The payment of extraordinary financial aid is made via bank transfer to the recipients' University Card (or to a bank account in the recipient's name or jointly owned by the recipient) in a single installment, once the requirements of Article 3 are verified and only after:

- Actual entry into Italy, evidenced by the stamp on the passport.
- Completed enrollment or registration.

In case of withdrawal from studies/transferring to another university, the International Relations Service reserves the right to request the return of the previously granted amount. The International Relations Service also reserves the right to request the return of the aid granted if, by September 30, 2024, the beneficiary does not complete at least one educational activity specified in the study plan/course.

Article 9 Personal Data Processing

Personal data transmitted by candidates are processed for the purpose of managing this call under the General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679). Information on the processing of personal data for the conduct of selection procedures is available on the University's website at <http://privacy.unipv.it>.

Article 10 Dispute Resolution

This announcement is also translated into English for informational purposes only. Only the Italian version is valid for the application and resolution of any dispute and for any effect of the law.

Article 11

Final provisions

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