



Università degli Studi Magna Græcia di Catanzaro

Area Affari Generali

CALL FOR APPLICANTS: IUPALS - Italian Universities for Palestinian Students"

Article 1

General Information

For the reasons expressed in the preamble, within the framework of the project "IUPALS - Italian Universities for Palestinian Students" (formerly titled "Educating for Peace"), promoted by the Conference of Italian University Rectors (CRUI), a call for applications is announced for the awarding of one scholarship reserved for students residing in the Palestinian territories who wish to enroll for the first time, as full-time students, in a first or second-cycle degree program to be activated at the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro for the academic year 2025/2026.

Article 2

Admission Requirements

Students residing in the Palestinian territories who intend to enroll as full-time students in a first-cycle degree (Bachelor's Degree), second-cycle degree (Master's Degree), or single-cycle Master's Degree program at the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro for the academic year 2025/2026, and who have not previously been enrolled in any program at the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro or any other Italian university, are eligible to participate. Candidates must commit to attending and successfully completing the Italian language course provided under this CRUI "IUPALS" project, as outlined in Article 4 of this call for applications.

Article 3

Application Procedure

Applications must be submitted using the template attached to this call (ANNEX 1) and must be duly signed at the bottom, under penalty of exclusion.

The following documents must be attached to the application, under penalty of exclusion:

- 1 A copy (front and back) of a valid identity document/passport;
- 2 The candidate's Curriculum Vitae, written in English;
- 3 A motivation letter, written in English.

The application must be submitted by 12:00 PM (Italian time) on May 30, 2025, via email to socrates@unicz.it, with the subject line: "Application for the award of no. 1 scholarship under the CRUI project 'IUPALS - Italian Universities for Palestinian Students'."

Candidates must retain proof of email transmission (showing the time, date, and address of transmission) along with a read receipt. Candidates must ensure they have requested a read receipt when sending the email. Late submissions or incomplete applications will not be considered. The



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University assumes no responsibility for lost communications due to incorrect or incomplete contact information provided by the applicant or technical issues not attributable to the University. The University reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the information declared. Without prejudice to the criminal penalties provided for in Article 76 of Presidential Decree 445 of December 28, 2000, if the declarations are found to be untrue, the applicant will lose the benefit.

Article 4

Provision of the Language Course (Mandatory)

The mandatory Italian language course for applicants will be organized by a dedicated group of universities participating in the project, coordinated by the University for Foreigners of Siena and the University for Foreigners of Perugia.

The course is scheduled to begin on June 3, 2025, at facilities in Bethlehem and Ramallah (Palestine), and will end by October 30, 2025. Classes will be conducted by qualified instructors, both online and in person, to ensure maximum flexibility and accessibility. Adequate teaching materials, including textbooks, exercise books, and online resources, will be provided. At the end of the course, students will be assessed on their acquired language skills, which will be used as a criterion for the awarding of scholarships.

Article 5

Selection and Evaluation of Applications

If the number of applications exceeds the available scholarship (one), a selection process will take place as follows: A committee composed of three members, appointed by the Rector, will assess the applications after the conclusion of the mandatory Italian language course.

The committee will first verify eligibility according to Articles 2 and 3 and will then evaluate the applications based on:

- Curriculum Vitae (max 10 points);
- Certificate of language proficiency achieved during the Italian course (max 10 points);
- Motivation letter (max 10 points).

In case of a tie, preference will be given to the younger candidate. All notices, including the appointment of the selection committee, the merit ranking list, and the decree appointing the winner, will be published at: <https://web.unicz.it/it/page/profilo-studenti-internazionali>.

The winner's appointment decree will be published from November 17, 2025, and will serve as official notification. The winner must accept the scholarship within 5 days of the publication of the decree by sending the acceptance form and a valid ID copy to socrates@unicz.it, or they will forfeit the award. No individual communication will be sent. In the event of withdrawal or failure to enroll, the scholarship will be awarded to the next eligible candidate based on the merit ranking.



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Article 6 Scholarship Details

The scholarship is conditional upon:

Enrollment in a first or second-cycle degree program at the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro for a.y. 2025/2026, following the procedures for international students via the UNIVERSITALY platform.

- 1 Attendance and successful completion of the Italian language course.
- 2 Obtaining a visa within the defined timelines.

The scholarship amounts to €12,000 per year, covering:

- Accommodation at University residences;
- University cafeteria meals (two meals daily, seven days a week);
- Exemption from university fees for students from particularly poor non-EU countries;
- Payment of the remaining amount via bank transfer to an Italian IBAN in the student's name after enrollment.

In addition, the University offers:

- Insurance coverage (accidents and civil liability);
- Free or discounted access to educational resources (Wi-Fi);
- Access to recreational and sports facilities (CUS Catanzaro);
- Access to the University Library System;
- Organization of cultural and social events;
- Academic and psychological counseling through the PRO-BEN Center;
- Integration support services.

Article 7 Revocation of the Scholarship

The scholarship will be revoked if the student:

- Withdraws from studies at the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro;
- Transfers to another university.



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In such cases, any funds already disbursed must be repaid via bank transfer to: Account holder: Central Administration of the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro, Bank: INTESA SANPAOLO SPA, IBAN: IT78C0306904439100000046068, indicating the reason: "Restitution of Scholarship - IUPALS Project." Proof of payment must be sent to socrates@unicz.it.

Article 8

Responsible Officer

The officer responsible for this procedure is Dr. Eleonora Consoli, Area Affari Generali – University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro, Campus Universitario – Viale Europa, Loc. Germaneto, Catanzaro, Tel. +39 0961/3696073/6074, Fax +39 0961/3696150, Email: socrates@unicz.it.

Further information can be requested from the same office.

Article 9

Processing of Personal Data

Personal data provided will be collected and processed by the University of Magna Græcia of Catanzaro (VAT No. 02157060795 - Tax Code 97026980793) in compliance with current data protection laws. The Data Protection Officer (DPO) can be contacted at dpo@unicz.it. The extended privacy policy is available at <https://web.unicz.it>.

Article 10

Publication of the Call

This call will be published on the University's website at: <https://web.unicz.it/it/page/profilo-studenti-internazionali>. All further notices and communications regarding this call will also be published at this link.

In case of litigation, the text of reference will be exclusively the original text in Italian.