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University of Verona

Call for applications for the Master's degree in:

BIOLOGY FOR TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH AND PRECISION MEDICINE

Degree class LM-6 R

Academic Year 2026/2027

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Art. 1 – Available places

For the academic year 2026/2027, a *Call for applications* is hereby announced for admission to the first year of the Master's Degree Programme in *Biology for Translational Research and Precision Medicine* at the University of Verona. A total of **5 places are available**, reserved for candidates holding a foreign academic degree, of **non-Italian citizenship**, except where dual citizenship is held, and not already resident in Italy.

Places not taken up by candidates referred to in the previous paragraph shall be assigned to EU and non-EU candidates legally residing in Italy.

Art. 2 – Admissions requirements

1. Candidates must meet the following requirements in order to take part in the selection process:
 - a. a Bachelor's degree or higher in biological disciplines (biotechnology, biochemistry, molecular biology, biology) or chemical, biophysical and bioinformatics disciplines;
 - b. credit-weighted average (CGPA or equivalent) higher than 81%;
 - c. certified knowledge of the English language, corresponding to level B2 (CEFR), or previous qualification awarded in the English language¹.
2. A qualification is considered suitable if its *curriculum* meets the curricular requirements and preparation required for admission to the Programme.

The suitability of the degree will be ascertained by the Selection Committee through an analysis of the candidate's academic *curriculum*.

Students who are close to completing their degree may also apply, provided they graduate by **30 July 2026**.

Art. 3 – How to apply

Applications for this Call must be made by completing the [online application](#) form as **from 9.00 a.m. (Italian time, GMT+1) on 29.01.2026 and by 3.00 p.m. (Italian time, GMT+1) on 31.03.2026** attaching the following documents:

- a. a scanned copy of your ID. Non-EU applicants will need to submit a scanned copy of their passport (please only send the pages relating to your personal information);
- b. copy of your **three-year university degree certificate**² (EQF level 6 or higher), or a certificate of enrolment which states the expected completion date;
- c. academic transcript (in English) for the completed degree and for any postgraduate studies completed. This should include a list of all the modules/exams taken (**transcript of records**

¹ A list of the language certification equivalence tables is available at:

<https://docs.univr.it/documenti/Documento/allegati/allegati333669.pdf>

² When holding a two-year Bachelor's degree, please also include your Master's degree.



or **diploma supplement**) and, if possible, details of the ECTS credits gained, the weighted average, and reference range for minimum and maximum marks;

- d. CV with study and work experience included, written in English (max. 2 pages);
- e. certificate of English language competence, or other language certificates³. **Please note: language certificates must have been obtained by the candidate at the time of applying;**
- f. other specific qualifications or documents relevant to the application (optional);
- g. payment receipt for the €50 pre-admission fee.

Pre-admission fee of €50 will be deducted from the amount of fees owed by those who complete their enrolment, with the exception of the scholarship winner.

Within the application procedure, a link is provided to download the PagoPA payment form required to pay the pre-admission fee.

At the end of the procedure, the system will issue a receipt confirming the submission of the application containing a sequential number based on the chronological order of submission.

Any technical issues encountered while completing the online application should be **reported immediately** by sending an email to admissions@ateneo.univr.it.

Art. 4 – Selection procedure and ranking list

The Selection Committee will evaluate the applications received, considering only those that meet the minimum admission requirements, according to the following selection criteria:

N.	Selection criteria	Points
1	<i>Curriculum studiorum</i> and relevance of academic training (Bachelor's degree and Master's, if any) and extra-academic activities (internships, summer schools, work activities, etc.) in relation to the Programme's goals.	0 - 40
2	Grade point average (the scale used by the foreign university is normalised to a scale of 0 to 10) - CGPA or equivalent	0 - 10
3	Online interview	0 - 50
Maximum final score		100

Only the first 20 candidates with the highest score in criteria 1 and 2 will be admitted to the interview. Candidates with lower scores will be automatically excluded from the selection.

Candidates who are absent from the interview will also be excluded from selection.

³ For candidates from Iran or Afghanistan, 'Duolingo' language certificates are also accepted.



The list of candidates admitted to the interview will be published in the [International students section](#) and in the 'How to enrol' section of the Programme's webpage and notified by email at least 3 days before the interview.

The ranking list is drawn up on the basis of the interview score plus the score awarded for the *curriculum studiorum* and grade point average.

Where two or more candidates have an equal score, priority will be given to the younger candidate⁴.

The final ranking list will be published in the relevant [section](#) on the University's website **by 30 April 2026**, taking effect immediately.

Art. 5 – Confirming acceptance

Eligible candidates must complete the following steps **within 15 days of the publication of the ranking list**; failure to do so will result in non-admission to the Programme:

- submit an **application for a study visa** (Type D – enrolment) at the local Italian Embassy or Consulate and **pre-enrol via the [Universitaly website](#)** (for non-EU candidates only);
- submit the **official translation and legalisation** of their diploma and the *Declaration of value* issued by the relevant Italian Embassy or Consulate⁵;
- **complete the pre-enrolment procedure** for the programme and **pay the confirmation fee** of €205⁶.

Candidates failing to submit a study visa application or pre-enrol will be considered as **withdrawing** students and will lose their place in the ranking list.

Places that become vacant due to withdrawal will be assigned to candidates according to their ranking.

Information about any subsequent selection rounds and how to apply will be published in the relevant [section](#) on the University's website and in the 'How to enrol' section of the Programme's webpage ("*Iscriversi → Come iscriversi*").

Candidates who have not been admitted in the first round are required to follow the publication of subsequent selection rounds, if any.

⁴ Law No. 127/97, Art. 3(7), as amended by Law No. 191/98, Art.2(9).

⁵ A CIMEA *Statement of Comparability* ([Attestato di Comparabilità CIMEA](#)) may be used in place of a Declaration of Value, while a CIMEA *Statement of Verification* ([Attestato di Verifica CIMEA](#)) may be used in place of Legalisation.

⁶ This amount will be refunded only if the visa is not issued or is denied.



Art. 6 – Enrolment

Successful candidates must enrol **by 30 July 2026**, or else they will not be admitted to the Programme.

The deadlines and procedures for enrolment in the Master's degree in *Biology for Translational Research and Precision Medicine* will be announced following the publication of the ranking list.

Art. 7 – Study grants

For the academic year 2026/2027, particularly deserving students enrolled in the Master's degree in *Biology for Translational Research and Precision Medicine* may also apply for:

- **a scholarship of €8,000** (gross amount) plus a student fee exemption
- **reduced student fee (flat rate) of € 1.000 each (includes regional tax and stamp duty), valid for two academic years for non-EU candidates**, with a maximum of **4 students**;

Students who are awarded a scholarship will only need to pay the regional tax and stamp duty, for a total of € 205 and will be considered for **accommodation space** at the ESU university residence, within the limits of the total number of places reserved for international students, if they apply for it.

Scholarships will be awarded to the candidate with the highest score in the ranking list.

Reduced student fee (flat rate) will be awarded to other candidates on the ranking list who have not been awarded a scholarship.

Scholarship lasts two years and is incompatible with any other scholarship and/or financial benefit provided by the University, the Italian government or Italian public bodies and organisations, including scholarships offered by the Italian regions for regional study rights. If the candidate is awarded more than one scholarship, they must choose which one to accept.

The scholarship will be paid in two instalments of €4,000 gross each per academic year:

- the first instalment will be paid after enrolment has been completed and all the documents required under Article 10, paragraph 1, of this call for applications have been submitted;
- the second instalment will be paid by 28 February 2027

Renewal for the second year is subject to regular enrolment in the second year of the programme and the achievement of 40 CFU by 30 September 2027. Payment will be made in a single instalment.

The recipients will receive support from the **International Welcome Desk (IWD)**, which is offered by the University of Verona, for services including residence permit applications, bank accounts, tax codes, and health insurance.

It is understood that recipients who must enter Italy from non-EU countries are required to have sufficient **personal funds for subsistence - at least € 546 per month (i.e., €6,555 per year)** - as this is necessary to obtain a visa.



Candidates who have renounced, in the 2025/2026 academic year, a similar study grant (see *Call for applications* Rep. 1181/2025 prot. No. 70048 of 6.02.2025) will not be eligible.

Within seven (7) days from the date of publication of the ranking list, the recipients must confirm their acceptance of the scholarship or exemption, or else they will be considered as withdrawing candidates. Moreover, they will need to:

- submit an application for a study visa (Type D – enrolment) at the local Italian Embassy or Consulate and **pre-enrol via the [Universitaly](#) website** (for non-EU candidates only);
- submit the **official translation and legalisation** of the diploma and the *Declaration of value* issued by the relevant Italian Embassy or Consulate⁷;
- **complete the pre-enrolment procedure** for the programme and **pay the confirmation fee** of €205⁸.

Detailed instructions for accepting the scholarship or benefit are contained in the communication that each candidate will receive by e-mail.

Please note that the following shall be considered as withdrawing candidates:

- those who do not communicate their acceptance within the indicated deadline;
- those who do not meet the admissions requirements (e.g. those who have not obtained their visa and completed their enrolment **by 30 July 2026**).

Scholarships made available following the withdrawal or failure to meet the above requirements and deadlines by one or more candidates will be awarded to the next eligible candidate in the ranking order.

Reassignments may take place until **30 June 2026**.

Art. 8 – Processing of personal data

Personal data provided by those who apply under this Call are processed in accordance with EU Regulation 2016/679 (hereinafter the “Regulation”) and the applicable personal data protection regulations.

The processing of such data is carried out by the University of Verona as Data Controller pursuant to Articles 24 et seq. of the Regulation, for the purposes set out in the present Call, in the performance of its institutional functions.

An information notice for students on the purposes of the processing, data recipients and the rights of Data Subjects is available on the University’s website, at the following link: www.univr.it/it/privacy.

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⁸ This amount will be refunded only if the visa is not issued or is denied.



Art. 9 – Appointment of Selection Committee members

The Selection Committee shall be composed of the following members:

- Prof. Daniele Dell'Orco;
- Prof. Elena Zenaro;
- Dr. Valerio Marino.

Art. 10 – Appointment of administrative procedure officer and access to information

Pursuant to Article 4 of Law no. 241 of 7 August 1990 and Law no. 15 of 21 February 2005, the Procedure Officer is Ms. Paola Tognolo, the Head of the Postgraduate Study Office - UO Immatricolazioni, Admissions e Post Laurea.

Candidates are entitled to exercise their right of access to the records of the selection procedure in accordance with Law no. 241/90, following the instructions and using the forms available at the following link: <https://www.univr.it/it/altri-contenuti-accesso-civico>.

Art. 11 – Final provisions

Any amendments or additions to this Call will be announced via publication on the University of Verona website (<http://www.univr.it>).

In the event that false or misleading declarations are found in the documents submitted by the candidate, without prejudice to the sanctions provided for by the Italian Criminal Code and the special laws on the subject, the candidate shall automatically lose their right to enrolment. The University Administration will recover any benefits granted and will not reimburse any fees paid. Furthermore, a false declaration may give rise to a claim for damages by the parties concerned.

Information about Master's degree programmes, procedures to follow based on the candidate's citizenship, application deadlines and procedures, and publication of ranking lists, can be requested to the University's International Office (admissions@ateneo.univr.it).

For matters not covered by this Call, reference should be made to current legislation.

The Rector
Prof. Chiara Leardini

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