

Public Selection for admission of Non EU - Students living abroad to the two-year Master's Degrees in English

LM 33 MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Academic Year 2021/22

English Translation The only binding version is the Italian

Application: from 7th July 2021 12.00 (GMT +1) until 14th July 2021, 23.59 (GMT +1) Online application: https://www.unict.it/content/bandi-concorsi#studenti



Art. 1 Public Selection

1. The University of Catania announces a public selection based on qualifications and (if appropriate) interview, in order to select non EU students living abroad for admission to the first year of International Master's Degrees in:

Master's Degree Course	Number of
	places
LM33 Mechanical Engineering	19

2. The official language of the courses is English

Art. 2 Admission Requirements

- 1. Applicants should be citizens of non EU Countries living abroad, who satisfy the following requirements:
 - A bachelor's or higher degree awarded abroad, recognised suitable to enter the chosen course by the competent Commission board. Undergraduate candidates are also accepted, providing that they will obtain their bachelor's degree before 31 July 2021;
 - b. Good knowledge of the English language as specified in course information sheet provided for in the Annexes;
 - c. Meet specific curricular requirements and, in accordance with the provisions established by Italian Ministerial Decree n. 270/2004, have an adequate educational background, as further specified in course information sheet provided in the Annexes.

Art. 3 Application procedures and submission dates

- Candidates should register at <u>https://studenti.smartedu.unict.it</u> (click on the flag on the up right for English). At the end of the registration process each candidate will received by email a username and password to log in and a link to confirm the registration to the University Students' Portal;
- 2. Candidates must log in to the reserved area, complete the student personal details, go to the Enrolment box click on Degree \rightarrow Admission test and applications \rightarrow choose the call for the



Master degree they want to apply for \rightarrow complete the online application form between 7th July 2021 12.00 (GMT +1) and 14th July 2021, 23.59 (GMT +1);

- 3. To complete the online application, it is compulsory for candidates to upload the following documents:
 - a. Copy of passport (only the pages relating to personal information);
 - b. Copy of bachelor's degree certificate or registration certificate attesting the expected graduation date (attach an official translation if these documents are not in Italian or English);
 - c. Transcript including a list of all courses, exams and marks awarded (attach an official translation if these documents are not in Italian or English). The transcript must include: the list of exams for the qualification to be awarded, with the given grades, the minimum and maximum marks to pass the exam and possibly the GPA;
 - d. Syllabus containing the description of each exam taken, written on the University's official letterhead stationary or validated with the University stamp;
 - e. Letter of reference, preferably written by a university lecturer, specifically for the submission of the application for admission;
 - f. Curriculum vitae in English following the "European Model" (see https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/documents/curriculum-vitae);
 - g. English language qualification;
 - h. Statement of purpose brief personal statement in English in which the candidate supports her/his application (max. 4000 characters, spaces incl.);
 - Any other document the candidate considers useful for evaluation, including a Declaration of Value or Statement of Comparability of the Bachelor's degree, Masters, certification of summer courses, workshops, works experiences, etc.
 - j. Summary sheet

Art. 4 Selection and ranking

- An admission board will be appointed, made up of three members, nominated via Rectoral Decree, on the proposal of the Department Director, chosen among the teaching staff of the course, that will ensure that the selection procedures are administrated correctly;
- 2. The admission board will evaluate whether candidates fulfil the entry requirements set out in the Master's degree course regulation and specified in the Annexes;



3. Evaluation is carried out by allocating points (max 100) in accordance with the following:

Academic background and reference letter	Tot. max 45
Academic background: Marks, GPA, post graduate courses, other relevant	
extracurricular activities.	0-45
Reference letter: generalized content/specific details, credibility of the source.	
Statement of purpose	Tot. max 20
Clarity, strength of motivation, relevance to the course applied for, ability	0-20
shown in English, originality	0.20
Relevance of previous studies and experience to the course objectives	Tot. max 35
The relevance of the candidate's previous studies (Bachelor's or Master's) and	
extracurricular activities (work placements, summer schools, jobs, etc.) to the	0-35
nature and objectives of the course	
Application score	0-100

- 4. Applicants might be invited to take an interview (via Skype) if the admission boards need to collect further information on the applicant's academic skills and personal competencies;
- 5. Candidates awarded a score of 50/100 or more will be considered suitable;
- 6. In the event that two or more candidates obtain the same score in the ranking list, preference will be given to the youngest;
- 7. On completing the evaluation process the admission board will place the candidates found suitable into a list in order of classification for admission into each Master's course. The lists will be published at <u>https://www.unict.it/content/bandi-concorsi#studenti</u> by 19th July 2021. Suitable candidates will be contacted by e-mail.

Art. 5 Admission and enrolment

- Suitable candidates who have passed the selection procedure and are admitted to the course will have to pay an enrolment confirmation fee of € 156,00 within 7 days of the publication of the shortlist to confirm their acceptance of the place. This payment will not be refunded under any circumstances.
- 2. The payment should be made through the PagoPA system. Detailed information on how to proceed with the payment will be sent to candidates by e-mail.



- 3. Successful candidates who fail to complete the above steps shall be considered as having given up their place which will be assigned to the next student in the ranking;
- 4. The students taking over due to the scrolling of the ranking will be notified by email and should have to confirm their place by paying the enrolment confirmation fee within four days from the email of admission;
- 5. After paying the enrolment confirmation fee, candidates will receive an admission letter in order to present their pre-enrolment request to the Italian Diplomatic Office in their own country. Pre-enrolment is compulsory in order to obtain a Study Visa for Italy and enrol at the University. All candidates are advised to read carefully the procedures established by the Italian Education Minister (<u>http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/</u>) and contact the Italian Diplomatic Office in their country as soon as possible.
- 6. In order to complete their enrolment, once in Catania students will have to consign to the Foreign Students Office:
 - a. Copy of passport with Study VISA;
 - b. Italian Tax number;
 - c. Enic/Naric Statement of comparability and qualifications certification or Declaration of Value of the title requested for the admission to the chosen degree course and of the High School Diploma;
 - d. Request of Residence Permit.

Art. 6 Tuition fees

- 1. The tuition fee for academic year 2021-22 for non-EU students living abroad is € 306,00;
- The amount paid as a confirmation fee will be deducted from the tuition fee, the remaining 150,00 € will have to be paid between January and May 2022;

Art. 7 Further Information and data protection

- Further information concerning ministerial pre-enrolment procedures and academic documentation required for non-EU citizens resident abroad is available at: <u>https://www.unict.it/en/education/master-degrees</u>
- 2. The personal data provided shall be processed in accordance with the principles and provisions of the Italian Legislative Decree n. 196/2003, exclusively for the purpose of this call for applications.



3. All the info on data protection are available on <u>www.unict.it</u>, section "Ateneo » Protezione dei dati personali » Informative e esercizio dei diritti".

Art. 8 – Publicity and Language

The call will be published on the University bulletin board <u>http://ws1.unict.it/albo/</u> and on the University website <u>https://www.unict.it/content/bandi-concorsi#studenti</u> The English version of the call has been drafted exclusively for purposes of publicity. For call implementation, dispute resolution and for all legal purposes, only the Italian version is valid.

Art. 9 – Reference legislation and office

For anything not expressly provided for in this call please refer to the current regulatory provisions. The person in charge of the administrative procedure referred to in this call is Erika Magnano, Area della Didattica – Foreign Students Office (<u>internationalstudents.admission@unict.it</u>).

Catania,

The Didactic Division Manager (Dott. Giuseppe Caruso) The Rector (Prof. Francesco Priolo)



Master's Degree – A.A. 2021-22 Mechanical Engineering (*Italian Code* LM-33)

Curricular and educational background requirements

To be admitted to this course of study applicants are expected to meet specific curricular requirements and have the knowledge and abilities as follows:

- a) A bachelor's or higher degree awarded abroad. Undergraduates candidates are also accepted providing that they will obtain their bachelor's degree before 31 July 2021;
- b) Successful applicants come primarily from an academic background in:
 - Mechanical Engineering;
 - Industrial Engineering;
 - Electrical Engineering;
 - Management Engineering
 - Chemical Engineering,
 - Civil Engineering;
 - Environmental Engineering;
 - Materials Engineering.

Candidates may also be seconded from international organisations and national foreign services, provided they hold a university degree and have relevant professional experience compatible with the academic background required to enrol in the Degree Programme in Mechanical Engineering (LM-33).

Language requirement:

Good Knowledge of the English language, at least B1 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for languages attested as follows:

- i. IELTS: overall score 5 or higher;
- ii. TOEFL: minimum total score 60;
- iii. Cambridge ESOL: Preliminary (PET); Business Preliminary (BEC) or higher;
- iv. Declaration from the University where the Bachelor's or Master's degree was achieved stating the official language of the course was English;
- v. Declaration to be a citizen of an English speaking country.