



COLLEGIO NUOVO FONDAZIONE SANDRA E ENEA MATTEI PAVIA

STUDENT PLACES, ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018: CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

AVAILABLE PLACES AND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- a) **EIGHTEEN places (at least 4 free of charge and the remaining ones subsidised) for female students enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in the first year of a first-level (three-year) degree course or a single-cycle (five-/six-year) degree course at the University of Pavia.** Applicants must possess an Italian High School diploma with a final mark of at least 80/100, or a foreign equivalent
- b) **FIVE places (all subsidised) for female students enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in subsequent years of a first-level degree course or single-cycle degree course at the University of Pavia** who, at the time of application, have obtained all the credits for the previous year/years, and at least 30 credits in the current year, recording an overall average mark in their university exams of at least 27/30, **and for female students enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in the first year of a second-level, specialist ("magistrale") degree course** who, at the time of application, have acquired at least 150 credits, scoring an overall average mark in their university exams of at least 27/30. To avoid losing their place, these applicants must have completed their first-level degree by December 31, 2017.

The College Administration Board reserves the right to accept into the College female students who, even after the deadline of the present competition, pass, with particular distinction, entrance tests for courses at the University that have restricted admission.

COMPETITION PROCEDURE

- a) **For students enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in the first year of a first-level degree course or a single-cycle degree course, the competition consists of a two-part oral test, covering two disciplines chosen by the candidate and pertinent to her intended University studies:**
 - *Italian, Latin, History and Philosophy* for degree courses in Literature, Philosophy, Languages, Psychology, Law, Political Science, Economics and the interdepartmental course in Communications, Innovation, Multimedia (CIM)

- *Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology* for degree courses run by the Faculties of Medicine and Surgery and Engineering, and for degree courses in Pharmacy, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biological Sciences, Geological Sciences, Natural Sciences and Technology, and for interdepartmental courses in Biotechnology and Sports Science.

To prepare for the test, whose main purpose is to ascertain the applicants' aptitude for and interest in the disciplines, and therefore in their chosen courses, students should revise the **curriculum covered at school** (in particular in the final year) and also refer to the **list of topics** for the oral test, which can be downloaded from the College website. In addition, candidates may indicate one or more topics that they have studied in particular depth, to be discussed at the start of the oral test.

For students enrolling on one of the courses at the University of Pavia that are taught in English, the oral test can also be conducted in English.

Applicants will be invited to take the test, each part of which will be marked out of 30, on a day **between 8 September and 13 September, 2017**, at Collegio Nuovo. These tests will be scheduled to ensure that applicants are also able to sit oral tests at other colleges, and to take any entrance tests for courses of study at the University of Pavia.

b) **For students enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in any subsequent year** of a first-level or a single-cycle degree course, or in the first year of a **second-level "magistrale" degree course**, there will be an **interview**, marked out of 30, focusing on the candidate's main areas of study and interest in recent years. The dates and place of these interviews are the same as above.

The candidates must bring a valid identity document.

The competition selection committee comprises professors from the University of Pavia.

Students enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in the first year of a first-level degree course, single-cycle degree course, or second-level "magistrale" degree course who also wish to be admitted to Undergraduate Courses at the Institute for Advanced Study of Pavia (IUSS-Pavia) must also apply to IUSS, under the terms of its competition for places (www.iusspavia.it).

IUSS competition winners may be admitted to Collegio Nuovo only if they have also won a place at the College, in accordance with the aforementioned competition procedures, a) and b) above.

ALLOCATION OF PLACES

Places for applicants enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in the first year of a first-level degree course or a single-cycle degree course are awarded according to a ranking list of merit drawn up on the basis of the results of the two-part oral tests; instead, places for applicants enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in any subsequent year of study, including the

first year of a “magistrale” degree course, are awarded according to the respective ranking lists of merit drawn up on the basis of their interview scores. Allocation of any further places that might become available, in addition to those assigned under this competition, will be decided also taking into account the need to ensure a balance between the various academic disciplines. In the event of ties, precedence will be given to students whose financial circumstances are less advantageous.

CONDITIONS OF PLACES AND SERVICES

With the aim of encouraging ability and endeavour, Collegio Nuovo grants all the competition winners **free or subsidised places**.

Four free places, named after the Founder of the College, Dr Sandra Bruni Mattei, and renewable for subsequent years, will be awarded, at the discretion of the College Administration Board, to applicants enrolled, or eligible to enrol, in the first year of a first-level degree course or single-cycle degree course who were ranked in the top 18. One of the free places will be awarded to the applicant who came top of the ranking list, irrespective of her family income; the other three places will be assigned to students with a University Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator (ISEE-U) no greater than €30,000. Further free places will be reserved for students who, under the terms of art. 8 of the competition for admission to IUSS Undergraduate Courses, have been awarded IUSS-funded free places at one of Pavia’s University Colleges of Merit. Such students are required to transfer the sum of the IUSS award (€4,000) to the College. Free places are incompatible with scholarships received from other institutions or bodies, public or private. Students interested in free places (including the IUSS-funded ones) are obliged to apply to EDiSU, in Pavia, for study grants (www.edisu.pv.it). If an EDiSU grant, or other grant, is awarded, a two-thirds share of it must be paid to the College, without prejudice to the obligation for IUSS free-place winners to transfer the full amount of their IUSS award to the College.

The College offers the winners of all the other places **significant financial concessions based on family income**, requesting only a **contribution** to the costs of College accommodation and services. This contribution, which corresponds to between 30% and 75% of these costs, **ranges from €4,000 to €10,500 for the entire academic year**.

This contribution (calculated according to parameters set out in a table published on the College website) covers, in addition to educational and cultural activities (such as, in particular, soft skills development courses, meetings, workshops and conferences, a tutoring service, postgraduate vocational guidance, sessions with foreign language assistants, scholarships and exchange places for stays abroad), accommodation in single rooms with private bathrooms, free internet access, telephone, a weekly cleaning service, utilities, access to all College facilities for study, recreation and sport, and full board 7 days a week for the whole year (excluding August and academic holiday periods during the year).

Applicants are informed that Collegio Nuovo also has an **agreement with the Italian National Social Security Institute (INPS)** under which study grants are awarded to

students who are the daughters of living or deceased public servants. The relative competition notice can be consulted at: www.inps.it.

The place will be renewed for subsequent years on condition that the student continues to comply with the above-described merit requirements and College rules. Students are also required to sign an “**Educational Agreement**” with the College, under which they undertake to follow a personalised educational programme designed to supplement their university studies, in line with the objectives pursued by CCUM-Conferenza dei Collegi Universitari di Merito (the Association of University Colleges of Merit, i.e. colleges accredited by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research) of which Collegio Nuovo is a member (www.collegiuniversitari.it). Upon completion of this programme, students receive a “**College Diploma**” issued jointly by the College and CCUM, certifying the additional curriculum followed. The relationship between Collegio Nuovo and each student admitted will be governed by a formal **Hospitality Agreement**.

NOTIFICATION OF THE COMPETITION RESULTS

The 23 successful applicants will be notified of the competition results on **Thursday, 14 September 2017**. They will also receive, by the next day at the latest, a formal letter of entitlement. They must provide written acceptance of the place by 1.00 p.m. on Monday, 18 September, following the procedure outlined in the letter itself. Should the College be in a position to offer places to students further down the ranking list, applicants ranked below the first 23 may be contacted in the days immediately after this deadline; in this case, they will be given one (calendar) day to confirm their acceptance in writing.

In the event of candidates applying for University courses with restricted admission, the official dates of publication of their test results will be taken into account.

COMPETITION APPLICATION FORM, DOCUMENTS AND DEADLINE

All candidates must complete the online application form, which will be available on the College website (<http://colnuovo.unipv.it>) from 10 July to 6 September (5.00 p.m.) 2017.

The accompanying documents can be sent in digital format as an attachment to the online application; alternatively the application and accompanying documents can be sent to or handed in at the College as hard copies. The deadline for submission is **Wednesday 6 September, 2017 (5.00 p.m.)**. Only the actual date of arrival will be considered valid. Candidates will sign the application at the time of the oral test, confirming the statements made on-line (pursuant to DPR 445/2000).

The College Secretariat is available to assist with compilation of applications:

Tel. ++39 (0)382-547206/5471; e-mail: concorso.collegionuovo@unipv.it

Documents to be attached:

1) self-certification attesting to the possession of a Diploma of Higher Secondary Education (or foreign equivalent), entitling the candidate to seek university admission, indicating the final marks achieved. The relevant form can be downloaded from the College website but is, in any case, made available during the online application process.

- 2) certificate of marks obtained in university examinations (this applies only to applicants who are already university students)
- 3) certificate of current University Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator (ISEE-U) status, obtainable from the student's municipality of residence, from the local social security office, or from local public accounting services (CAF), together with the relative *Dichiarazione Sostitutiva Unica* (DSU). It should be noted that in the case of candidates who do not live with their family, or whose parents do not live together, the contribution requested by the College is calculated on the basis of the family's overall financial situation. These documents need not be presented by those who, on the basis of their own family income - an ISEE-U upper threshold of €80,000 is usually considered - expects to pay the maximum contribution (€10,500 per year); such applicants must instead attach the substitute declaration mentioned in point 4, below
- 4) substitute declaration, to be submitted only by those not presenting a certificate of ISEE-U status. The relevant form can be downloaded from the College website but is, in any case, made available during the online application process.
- 5) copy of the applicant's ID card (or equivalent foreign ID document).

The College reserves the right to scrutinise the declarations made and to request further documentation relating to the family's financial situation.

Students also wishing to apply for IUSS places are reminded that IUSS competition applications must be submitted online on the IUSS website (www.iusspavia.it), following the procedure indicated therein, by 12.00 noon on September 4, 2017.

Successful applicants must also present, upon entry to the College, a certificate issued by their family doctor, declaring that they are not affected by any illness incompatible with community life, two passport size photographs signed on the back, and a certificate of registration at the University of Pavia.

Finally, they are also required to produce, if available, copies of any language certificates obtained in 2016 and 2017 together with a curriculum vitae.

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