

# BANDO PROT.N. 6159 DEL 25/07/2025 – REP.N. 35/2025 – English Version -

# **Please**

note that the English version of the call and the application form is published for informational purposes only. The official and legally binding version is the one in Italian, which shall prevail in case of any discrepancies.

Call for Applications for 15 Positions, including 3 Scholarships within the "Honors Track @ DICAM / Percorso di Eccellenza @ DICAM" Initiative For students enrolled in the first year of the Master's Degree Programs in: Civil Engineering (code 8895)

Ingegneria Civile (Civil Engineering in Italian, code 0930)
Chemical and Process Engineering (code 8896)
Environmental and Land Engineering (code 8894)
at the University of Bologna for the academic year 2025/26
Deadline: October 31, 2025, 12:00 PM

## ART. 1 - Object and Amount

The Department of Civil, Chemical, Environmental Engineering and Materials (DICAM) at the University of Bologna establishes 15 positions, of which 3 include scholarships, as part of the Honors Track @ DICAM / Excellence Pathway @ DICAM initiative for first-year students enrolled in the Master's Degree Courses listed above, allocated as follows:

- **CIVIL ENGINEERING AREA**: 5 positions, 1 with scholarship (for Civil Engineering and Ingegneria Civile programs)
- CHEMICAL ENGINEERING AREA: 5 positions, 1 with scholarship (for Chemical and Process Engineering)
- ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING AREA: 5 positions, 1 with scholarship (for Environmental and Land Engineering)

This initiative aims to support outstanding students by involving them in high-quality study programs, providing opportunities to deepen individual preparation and engage with research activities.



### ART. 2 – Organization of the Academic Pathway

The *Honors Track* @ *DICAM* comprises a series of additional educational and research activities beyond the curricular courses of the Master's Degree in which students are enrolled, aimed at developing advanced skills.

Specifically, the pathway includes:

- Assignment of an academic mentor who will support and supervise the student throughout the two-year Master's program.
- Research activities starting from the second semester of the first year, aimed at preparing the Master's thesis, agreed upon with the mentor and thesis supervisor (if different).
- Attendance and passing of a 6 ECTS course chosen from the Master's Courses offered by the Department, in addition to the standard 120 ECTS study plan.
- Attendance of two PhD-level courses offered within the PhD@DICAM program. These courses do not confer credits but will be certified by responsible lecturers.

Students interested in undertaking study or thesis work abroad must verify the compatibility of the mobility program with the Excellence Pathway activities with their mentor.

Upon successful completion of the track, students will receive a certificate of participation signed by the Director of DICAM. Completion also entitles the 15 selected students to compete for three graduation awards (one per area), each worth €1,843.32 gross.

# Progress criteria:

- **First year**: By September 30, 2026, students must earn at least 54 ECTS and maintain a weighted average grade of 28/30 or higher. Failure to meet these requirements or to participate in mandatory activities will result in exclusion from the track, and scholarship holders will forfeit the remaining scholarship amount.
- Second year: Students must graduate by the last graduation session scheduled for the academic year, no later than March 31, 2028, while maintaining a weighted average of at least 28/30 and completing the additional Honors Track activities. Failure to meet these requirements results in loss of eligibility for the certificate and graduation awards.

# **ART. 3 - Eligibility Requirements**

To apply, candidates must meet all the following:

- Hold a first-level Bachelor's degree with a weighted average of at least 28/30:
- i) obtained by October 31, 2025;
- ii) within no more than one year beyond the normal course duration;
- iii) and not earlier than two years before the deadline of this call.
- Be enrolled for academic year 2025/26 in the first year of one of the Master's Degree Courses listed at the University of Bologna.
- Possess good English language proficiency (B2 CEFR level or higher).

#### Not eligible:

- Candidates already holding a Master's or equivalent degree (including single-cycle degrees).

DICAM - DIPARTIMENTO DI INGEGNERIA CIVILE, CHIMICA, AMBIENTALE E DEI MATERIALI ALMA MATER STUDIORUM UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

VIALE RISORGIMENTO, 2 (AMMINISTRAZIONE) - 40136 BOLOGNA - ITALIA VIA TERRACINI, 28 - 40131 BOLOGNA - ITALIA C.F. 80007010376 - P.IVA 01131710376



- Candidates enrolled before academic year 2025/26 at any Master's program at the University of Bologna or other Italian/foreign universities.

## ART. 4 – Ranking Criteria

Three separate merit rankings will be created, one for each area (Civil Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Environmental Engineering).

For each area, the 5 positions will be assigned according to the total score, calculated as the sum of:

- a) score based on the weighted average grade of exams taken in the Bachelor's degree;
- b) score obtained in the Bachelor's degree final exam;
- c) interview score (0 to 10 points).

The top-ranked student in each area will be awarded the scholarship.

Interview:

The interview will take place either online via Teams or in person. It includes discussion of the candidate's previous technical and research experience and personal motivation for joining the Honors Track.

Candidates meeting eligibility will receive an invitation email to the address specified in the application.

Tie-break criteria:

- Number of honors weighted by ECTS credits;
- Younger age.

## ART. 5 – Incompatibility

The scholarship is incompatible with the following awards during academic year 2025/26:

- Collegio Superiore scholarships
- Collegio di Cina scholarships
- Unibo Azioni 1 & 2 scholarships
- Scholarships assigned by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
- Unibo for Refugees scholarships

Participation in the Honors Track without scholarship is compatible with the above benefits.

Applying for other benefits does not exclude applying for this call. Incompatibility checks will occur after ranking publication, and recipients may choose which scholarship to keep.

## **ART. 6 – Application Procedure**

Applications must be submitted by October 31, 2025, 12:00 PM, by sending the required documentation (see below) exclusively via email to: dicam.bandi@unibo.it

Attach a valid ID and specify the preferred contact email (if none specified, the institutional @studio.unibo.it will be used).

Required documents (PDF):

Application form (template attached to the call)

Curriculum Vitae

Degree certificate with final grade

List of exams taken with grades

DICAM - DIPARTIMENTO DI INGEGNERIA CIVILE, CHIMICA, AMBIENTALE E DEI MATERIALI ALMA MATER STUDIORUM UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

VIALE RISORGIMENTO, 2 (AMMINISTRAZIONE) - 40136 BOLOGNA - ITALIA

VIA TERRACINI, 28 - 40131 BOLOGNA - ITALIA

C.F. 80007010376 - P.IVA 01131710376



Valid English language certification (B2 level or above)

Italian and EU citizens may self-certify academic qualifications according to Italian law. Non-EU citizens residing legally in Italy must follow specific certification requirements including translation and legalization.

The university reserves the right to verify the truthfulness of submitted documentation. False declarations will lead to revocation of scholarships and penalties according to law.

# ART. 7 - Ranking Publication

The ranking will be sent via email to candidates in anonymous form showing only the application protocol number.

# ART. 8 – Awarding of Positions and Scholarships

The 15 positions and 3 scholarships will be assigned by a Director's Decree based on the merit ranking. Scholarships will be managed by the Department Administration.

#### ART. 9 – Acceptance

Award notifications will be sent exclusively by email to the addresses indicated in applications. Scholarship recipients must send tax data by the specified date to receive payment, which constitutes acceptance of all terms and conditions.

### ART. 10 - Withdrawal

If a scholarship winner withdraws, the scholarship will be offered to the next eligible candidate in the ranking.

# ART. 11 - Termination

Students will lose their place in the Honors Track if they:

- Fail to earn 54 ECTS and maintain a 28/30 average by September 30, 2026;
- Fail to attend mandatory activities including research, doctoral courses, and the additional 6 ECTS exam;
- Fail to graduate by March 31, 2028.

#### Consequences:

- a) Students without scholarships lose the final certificate and eligibility for graduation awards;
- b) Scholarship holders lose the remaining scholarship after year one (if applicable), final certificate, and eligibility for awards.

## **ART. 10 – Verification and Penalties**

The University checks the accuracy of all declarations. False statements or forged documents will result in immediate revocation of benefits, reimbursement of amounts paid, and a fine equal to three times the value of the benefit received.

#### ART. 12 - Data Protection

DICAM - DIPARTIMENTO DI INGEGNERIA CIVILE, CHIMICA, AMBIENTALE E DEI MATERIALI ALMA MATER STUDIORUM UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA
VIALE RISORGIMENTO, 2 (AMMINISTRAZIONE) - 40136 BOLOGNA - ITALIA

VIA TERRACINI, 28 - 40131 BOLOGNA - ITALIA C.F. 80007010376 - P.IVA 01131710376

www.dicam.unibo.it



Information on personal data processing is published on the University of Bologna website: https://www.unibo.it/it/ateneo/privacy-e-note-legali/privacy/informative-per-studenti-sultrattamento-dei-dati-personali

Director of DICAM

Signed Prof. Valerio Cozzani