Call for Applications

Post-BA Professional Master Course
in

Communication of Science and Innovation
(SCICOMM)

Academic year 2019/20
(English translation)

The only binding version is the Italian one.
Art. 1 Public Selection

1. The Department of Sociology and Social Research at the University of Trento announces a public selection based on qualifications in order to select students for admission to the Post-BA Professional Master Course in “Communication of Science and Innovation” for the academic year 2018/2019. Attendance is restricted to 13 places (the Master will actually start with a minimum of 7 candidates).

2. The Post-BA Professional Master course is a one-year program (nine months) for students who would like to:
   - Develop skills to play a key role in communication and public engagement strategies in research organizations, in innovation-oriented work environments, in the area of science, culture and research policy.
   - Be at the forefront of the newest trends and approaches in the communication of science and innovation.
   - Understand key models and concepts in the field of science communication.
   - Develop a critical understanding of the potential and limits of contemporary media in shaping public discourse about science.
   - Develop skills to critically evaluate the quality of communication strategies, both in relation to organizational aims and audiences’ expectations.
   - Be able to connect the everyday practice of science and innovation communication with state of the art research about science and technology in society.

3. The official language of instruction is English.

Art. 2 Admission Requirements

1. Applications can be submitted by:
   a) citizens of non-EU countries living abroad
   b) EU citizens;
   c) non-EU citizens living in Italy

   meeting the following requirements:

i. bachelor’s or higher degree awarded in Italy or other qualification awarded abroad and recognised as equivalent; undergraduate candidates are also accepted on the condition that they obtain their bachelor’s degree before 25 September 2019;

ii. good command of the English language.

Art. 3 Application procedures and submission dates

1. Candidates seeking admission to the selection process must complete the online application form available at https://www.unitn.it/Apply/master-uni between 25th February 2019 and 15th April 2019.

2. Technical problems in filling out the online application must be immediately communicated by email to masters@unitn.it. Applications submitted after the application deadline and/or in different ways will not be accepted.
3. Candidates must upload the following documents:
   b. Transcript of records including a list of all courses, exams and marks awarded (attach an official translation if this document is not in Italian or English);
   c. statement of purpose - brief personal statement in English in which the candidate supports her/his application (max. 1 page).
   d. declaration of good knowledge of English language;
   e. copy of passport (only pages relating to personal information) or identity card.

**Art. 4 Selection and ranking**

1. Admissions Committee is made up of three members chosen from the Master’s Management Board and ensures that the selection procedures are correctly observed.

2. Admission Committee will evaluate whether candidates fulfil the entry requirements.

3. The evaluation is carried out by allocating points in accordance with the following criteria:

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4. Candidates awarded a score of **50/100 or more** will be considered eligible.

5. In the event that two or more candidates obtain the same score in the ranking list, preference will be given to the youngest.

6. On completing the evaluation process, Admissions Committee will rank the suitable candidates for admission onto the Post-BA Professional Master Course. The final rank will be published at [https://www.unitn.it/master-scicomm](https://www.unitn.it/master-scicomm) by 10th May 2019.

**Art. 5 Enrolment and tuition fees**

1. Information about how and when to enroll will be available on the website of the Master.

2. Suitable candidates who have passed the selection procedure will have to pay a first enrollment tuition fee of € 1,375,00 (one thousand three hundred seventy-five euro). The second fee of € 1,375,00 (one thousand three hundred seventy-five euro) will be due by 28th February 2020. This payment will not be reimbursed if the candidate will withdraw from it.

3. Every thirteen candidates, the Master will offer one scholarship equivalent to the amount of the second fee (€ 1,375,00 second fee) on the basis of merit (first classified candidate).
Art. 6 – Exams and project work

1. It’s required to attend a minimum of 70% of lessons.
2. Exams will be oral or written, and marked as “approved” or “not approved”.
3. The final project work will be a project developed under supervision of a tutor to be chosen among the teachers of the Master.
4. The Post-BA Professional Master Course in “Communication of Science and Innovation” will be awarded by June 2020.

Art. 9 Further Information and data protection

1. More information about master course is available at: [https://www.unitn.it/master-scicomm](https://www.unitn.it/master-scicomm)
2. Information about the cost of living in Trento is available at: [http://international.unitn.it/incoming/cost-of-living](http://international.unitn.it/incoming/cost-of-living)
3. The personal data provided (in paper or electronic form) by candidates will be treated in accordance with current legislation (Italian Law 30 196/2003).

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