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SCHOLARSHIP AND TUITION FEES REGULATION FOR NON-EUROPEAN STUDENTS

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Art. 1 – Subject

1. The University of Trento (hereafter UniTrento) includes, among its aims under the Statute, the strengthening of its international dimension: to this end UniTrento enacts policies based on merit and competence to attract high-profile students.
2. This Regulation defines how UniTrento recruits foreign students from non-EU countries, both for academic programs taught in English that offer international professional opportunities, and for academic programs taught in Italian that are attractive for international students in light of the disciplinary areas offered.

Art. 2 – Admissions requirements and Tuition Fees

1. In accordance with current regulations, UniTrento applies a merit-based tuition fees model to non-European Union students living abroad (hereafter non-EU students) who wish to enroll in an academic program. This model applies to non-EU students living abroad at the moment of the application to an academic program in UniTrento, and will be applied through their entire academic career, until their graduation.
2. To implement the provisions of the preceding paragraph UniTrento assesses the merit possessed by all non-EU students who apply for admission. The results of the assessment are expressed with a score that establishes the candidate's position in the merit list which is used for admission to the academic program.
3. The scores of each ranking list related to the various study programs are formulated in way that allows ranking lists to be comparable. Ranking points are expressed in hundredths, although exceptions may occur for specific needs.
4. The amount of tuition fees for non-EU students depends on the admission ranking points scored by each student, with fixed amounts of tuition fees according to the range of ranking points. The exact amount of tuition fees to be paid for enrollment in each academic year is established by the Administrative Board based on the proposal of the Academic Senate, grouping study programs in specific areas. The specific areas where each study program belongs are established by the Academic Senate upon proposal by Departments/Centres.



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5. For the 2017/18 academic year, the amounts referred to in the preceding paragraph are approved together with the adoption of this Regulation. For subsequent academic years, potential changes in tuition fees will be made according to timelines that ensure the effective recruitment of non-EU students. Further modifications of tuition fees related to merit criteria are determined by the Academic Senate in accordance with the maximum amounts of tuition fees for each study area established by the Administrative Board. A total exemption from tuition fees may be granted to particularly deserving candidates.
6. At the conclusion of each academic year, UniTrento draws up a ranked merit list according to which the amount of tuition fees for the subsequent academic year is determined. The criteria used in the formulation of this list are regulated below in article 4.

Art. 3 – Scholarships and lodging

1. On the basis of available financial resources, UniTrento may grant scholarships reserved for particularly deserving non-EU students who do not receive any other kind of economic support for the same academic program.
2. The amount of each scholarship, as well as the total fund allocated for scholarships available for each academic year, is established by the Academic Senate. Each scholarship is divided into two installments.
3. Any change in the amount of scholarships - either increasing or decreasing - or about their division into installments, is approved by the Academic Senate according to timeframes which allow for the provision of adequate information to students. The monetary amount of scholarships already awarded to a cohort of students cannot be decreased.
4. The scholarships available each academic year for each academic program are provided according to criteria agreed upon by the Pro-Rector for International Development and the Delegates for international relations of each Department. In any case, the Academic Senate may provide guidelines and criteria for this purpose, also with a view to promoting the internationalization of other academic programs.
5. Students who are granted a scholarship are exempted from tuition fees. On the contrary, the exemption from tuition fees is not a sufficient condition for the award of a scholarship.
6. Upon the conclusion of each academic year, a ranked merit list pursuant to Article 4 is formulated and published in order to confirm or reallocate the scholarships to be awarded at the beginning of the following academic year.
7. UniTrento aims at supporting non-EU students with lodging needs, also by signing special agreements with public bodies or private companies. These agreements specify the requirements of eligibility for the reserved lodging facilities, for the first and subsequent years of enrolling, as regards merit and other criteria.

Art. 4 – Merit requirements after the first year to maintain scholarships and to calculate the amount of tuition fees

1. The merit of non-EU students is evaluated each September on the basis of the total amount of credits earned (CFU) after passing planned exams by August 10th of the same year.
2. The tuition fees to be paid in order to enroll in the following year are established according to the merit requirements explained in the previous paragraph.
3. The prospectus which establishes the relationship between merit and tuition fees due is approved by the Academic Senate together with the approval of this Regulation and enters into force with the renewal of enrollment for the academic year 2018/2019. Any change to the



aforementioned calculations is determined by the Academic Senate before the beginning of each academic year's exam sessions.

4. The merit quantified in paragraph 1 of this Article is also necessary to confirm or deny the scholarships for the following academic year for students who were already beneficiaries. Special bonus conditions, on the basis of the criteria applied by the Opera Universitaria regulations, are also considered in the evaluation of the merit.

Art. 5 – Tuition fees payment and scholarships disbursement

1. Non-EU students who must pay tuition fees are required to make payments under the terms and deadlines established for the three installments compulsory for all students. Each installment due is 1/3 of the total amount for the entire academic year.
2. In the event of serious and documented reasons, and in the case of students who are required to pay tuition fees equal to or exceeding 2,000 Euros, UniTrento may grant the deferral of the expiration date of the second installment to the date of the third installment. If the tuition fees due are equal to or greater than 4,500 Euros, UniTrento may grant a deferral beyond the expiration date of the third installment.
3. Non-EU student beneficiaries of scholarships who are enrolling for the first time in an academic program receive the first installment by the end of December. The second installment will be paid by the end of May of the following calendar year, provided that the CFU gained are at least 50% of the total amount that it is possible to obtain during the January/February exam sessions, according to each academic program. The scholarship is granted for a number of times equal to the number of years of standard duration of the course of study.
4. Non-EU student recipients of the scholarship who renew their enrollment, and, by the end of the academic year, have maintained the merit required for the renewal of the scholarship, receive the first installment of the scholarship with the same timing referred to in the previous paragraph. The second installment shall be disbursed by the end of May in accordance with the requirements referred to in the previous paragraph, in particular with respect to the total number of CFU earned within the framework of planned exams by their academic program. Students who finish the last year of their course within the standard timeframe and only lack the final thesis will be awarded the total scholarship amount for that year.
5. Non-EU students who do not meet the merit requirements referred to in paragraphs 3 or 4 of this Article can still receive the second installment of the scholarship by the end of September if they obtain the merit required for the entire academic year by August 10th. In the event that this requirement is not fulfilled by the end of the academic year of their academic program, non-EU students will be required to reimburse UniTrento for the first installment of the scholarship that was provided at the beginning of the academic year.
6. In case of withdrawal from the University, the student for whom tuition fees apply is required to pay the remaining tuition fees installments of the latest academic year of enrollment. If the student was receiving a scholarship, he/she has to reimburse the amount already received unless he/she has already fulfilled the merit requirements by the time of the withdrawal.

Art. 6 - Entry into force and modifications

1. For all the issues not explicitly defined in this Regulation, reference is made to current legislation. Moreover, specific guidelines for non-EU students to which this Regulation applies may be drawn by the Education and Student Service Division.
2. Following an initial phase of adoption of the Regulation, the Academic Senate may propose



amendments to the Regulation, after evaluating the effectiveness of actions taken regarding international recruitment and having heard the Board of Directors.

3. Where modifications to the present Regulation do not result in structural changes in the tuition fees model or in the method of awarding scholarships defined here, the latter are approved by the Academic Senate; in other cases the approval of the Administrative Board is required.