CALL FOR APPLICATION TO NO. 5 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UKRAINIAN STUDENTS WHO ENROLL IN THE DEGREE AND MASTER DEGREE COURSES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MACERATA - A.A. 2021/2022

ART. 1 - Subject, duration, and amount
In regard to the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, "UniMC for Ukraine" scholarships program is aimed to support Ukrainian students who intend to start their studies at the University of Macerata. The scholarships are reserved to students of Ukrainian nationality, resident in the war zones who intend to enroll in a bachelor’s degree (three-year) or a master’s degree (two-year) programme of the University in the a.y. 2021/2022.
Each scholarship amounts to Euro 8,500 gross of charges payable by the beneficiary for the first year of enrolment, and provides for the total exemption of the payment of tuition fees for each year of enrollment in the Bachelor’s and Master’s degree chosen (excluding regional tax and stamp duty).

ART. 2 - Incompatibility
Scholarships are incompatible, for the academic year of competence, with any scholarships granted by the University, the Regional Authority for the Right to Higher Education (ERDIS) and other national public institutions. In the event of the award of more than one scholarship, the recipient must choose which one to accept and, under her/his own responsibility, inform the person responsible for the procedure of any incompatibility. However, the payment of the scholarship cannot be made prior to the date of arrival in Italy.

ART. 3 - Admission requirements
Participation in the selection process requires, under the penalty of exclusion, the possession of all the following requirements:

• to be an Ukrainian citizen, residing in war zones;
• not to be enrolled in another Italian University for the academic year 2021/2022 (transfers from other Italian Universities are not eligible);
• proficiency in the English language at level B2 (vantage or upper-intermediate);
• proficiency in the Italian language certified through relevant documentation, only for the three-year bachelor’s degree courses taught in Italian;
• to be in possession of a qualification suitable for enrollment for the academic year 2021/2022 to one of the bachelor’s degree courses (three-year) or a master’s degree (two-year) with free access of the University of Macerata.

The admission requirements of the master’s degree courses can be found in the regulations of study programmes available in the section "University Regulations" ("Normativa di Ateneo") under "Teaching and students" ("Didattica e studenti”) of the University website: www.unimc.it.

Alternatively, it is also necessary to:

• hold a residence permit for international protection (refugee status or subsidiary protection), for reasons of special protection, or any other forms of temporary protection pursuant to Italian and
European regulations in force on immigration following the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine of February 24th, 2022;
• have applied for international protection following the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine in place since February 24th, 2022;
• have applied for asylum or family reunification, etc. or any other documentation that will be examined by the Commission.

The eligibility of the candidates’ qualification will also be evaluated in accordance with the provisions of the Circular of the Italian Ministry of University and Research "Procedures for entry, residence, enrollment of international students, and recognition of qualifications, higher education courses in Italy" valid for the academic year 2021/2022 Part VI, point 2 "Qualifications held by holders of international protection".
In case of enrollment in a master’s degree programme, the evaluation also includes the opinion of the Commission of the study programme concerning the adequate personal preparation and the fulfillment of curricular requirements following the submission of the online application to the University of Macerata for the a.y. 2021/2022 through the portal: apply.unimc.it
Failure to give a positive assessment of the eligibility for admission to the study programme automatically implies the lack of eligibility for participation in the selected subject of this call for scholarships.

ART. 4 - Application: modalities, documents to be attached, and deadlines
Applicants are required to complete the application exclusively in compliance with the procedures and within the deadlines set out in art. 3, and must include the documents listed below:
1) a copy of the valid passport or other identity document;
2) curriculum vitae et studiorum in English language;
3) a copy of transcript of records to access to the chosen Master’s degree programme, or a copy of the certificate issued by the Higher School (high school score report) to access to Bachelor’s programme (12 years of schooling). In the absence of study qualification, the European Qualification Passport for Refugees issued by the Council of Europe.
Candidates are required to submit the application for participation in the call (application) no later than the deadline set for 29th April 2022, 13.00 (Italian time), via the portal: apply.unimc.it.

ART. 5 - Criteria for evaluation and final ranking
The Evaluation Committee, appointed by the Rector, will be composed of three members, namely the Vice Rector of the University for International Relations and two members appointed from among the teaching or the administrative staff of the University.
The Commission shall carry out the selection with due regard to the following criteria:
- Quality of the previous educational curriculum max 70 points.
- Contents of the presentation letter max 30 points.
The Commission will formulate a general ranking of merit that will be approved by the Head of the Internationalization Area. With the same score, priority will be given to the candidate with a minor age.
The final ranking will be published on the institutional website of the University of Macerata, www.unimc.it, in the "International" section, under "International Students", "Scholarships".

ART. 6 - Acceptance
The winners will receive notice of the award of the scholarship by e-mail to the e-mail address. No later than the deadline of 10 (ten) days from the date of notification of the award of the scholarship, the assignee must send via e-mail to prospective.student@unimc.it the declaration of acceptance of the scholarship under the conditions of the notice of competition, under penalty of forfeiture.

The candidates awarded the scholarship will have to complete the enrollment in the academic year 2021/2022 to the chosen Degree Course, as a full-time student, otherwise the benefit will be forfeited.
In the event of non-acceptance or waiver, grants may be awarded by sliding, in accordance with the ranking, to suitable candidates in a suitable position.

**ART. 7 - Scholarships**

The award of the scholarship is intended for the enrolment in the first year subject to the actual enrollment in the a.y. 2021/2022, as a full-time student, to the identified degree course.

In addition to the scholarship grant, the following are foreseen:

- the total exemption from the payment of university fees for each year of enrollment in the bachelor’s or master’s degree chosen (excluding regional tax and stamp duty);
- a specific psychological counseling service that the University makes available free of charge for any psychological support interviews to the scholarship winners.

The grant will be awarded in two installments, the first of which (for an amount of Euro 5,000.00) upon completion of the following operations:

1. completion of registration at the University of Macerata and effective entry into Italy, which must be between March 2022 and 31 May 2022 (proved by the stamp affixed to the passport);
2. opening a bank account in Italy preferably with an Italian/European bank or a prepaid card with an IBAN registered or co-registered in the name of the winner;
3. delivery of the declaration that will be made available on the University website, www.unimc.it, in the "Internazionale" section, under "Studenti Internazionali", "Borse di studio" in which it must declare that it does not incur the incompatibilities provided for in Article 2 of this notice, under penalty of forfeiture of the benefit, as well as undertake to notify promptly any change that may occur in the duration of the grant, than what was originally stated.

The second and final installment will be paid subject to the renewal of the enrollment to the second year of the course to be carried out no later than 31 October 2022.

The scholarship will be revoked if the beneficiary decides to move to another university or withdraw from studies. Duly justified special cases will be evaluated by the University Commission.

**ART. 8 - Information on data processing**

The personal data transmitted by candidates with applications for participation in the selective procedure, pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 196 of 30.06.2003 and EU GDPR 2016/679, will be processed exclusively for the purposes of managing this procedure. The Data Controller of personal data is the University of Macerata, based in Macerata, via Crescimbeni, nn. 30 - 32, in the person of the Rector as Legal Representative (urp@unimc.it or at pec: ateneo@pec.unimc.it). At the Data Controller there is the Data Protection Officer, appointed pursuant to article 37 of the GDPR (dpo@unimc.it).

In relation to and within the exclusive scope of the purposes described above, personal data may be used only and exclusively in the manner described above by the University staff involved in the initiative and will not be transferred to non-EU countries.

The provision of such data is made mandatory for the purposes of the assessment of the participation requirements, under penalty of exclusion from selection. Personal data is not subject to any fully automated decision-making process, including profiling. The data subject has the rights referred to in the mentioned legislation, including the right of access to data concerning him, as well as some additional rights including the right to have incorrect data corrected, updated, completed or deleted, incomplete or collected in terms not in accordance with the law.

**ART. 9 - Final provisions**

The Responsible of the procedure, according to the Law n. 241/1990, is the dr. Andrea Dezi, Internationalization Area, Internationalization strategies Office, Via della Pescheria Vecchia n. 8 62100 Macerata (tel. +39.0733.258.6114, email: andrea.dezi@unimc.it).

For administrative information in relation to this procedure, please contact the Internationalization Area, Internationalization strategies Office Pre Admission team by email: prospective.student@unimc.it.

This call is published on the website of the University at www.unimc.it, call section and in the international" section, under "International Students", "Scholarships".
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The Rector
Prof. Francesco Adornato