

## University Corridors for Refugees - UNICORE 3.0 (Ethiopia 2021-2023)

Call for applications for 2 study grants for refugee students registering to Second cycle degree programmes at the Vanvitelli University

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## **ART.1 Aims, subject and terms**

The general aim of the **University Corridors for Refugees - UNICORE 3.0 (Ethiopia 2021-2023)** project is to promote the right to high education for refugees, through educational corridors from Ethiopia to Italy. The Project is promoted by a consortium of partners:

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

Caritas Italiana

Diaconia Valdese

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)

Several Italian universities better specified in the cooperation agreement.

The University's commitment was formally established in the national Cooperation Agreement, signed by all the partners of the initiative.

The beneficiaries of the Project are refugees residing in Ethiopia and admitted to one of the second cycle programmes listed in Article 9.

The benefits will be assigned for the academic years 2021/2022 e 2022/2023. The merit requirements for the maintenance and renewal of the study grant are specified in Article 6.

### **1.1 Local partners**

The University of Campania Luigi Vanvitelli will be supported in the Project by the Archdiocese of Capua - Centro Fernandes. Details of the service offered by the partners are specified in the cooperation agreement signed by the partners.

### **1.2 Benefits**

The benefits will be divided between the University and the Archdiocese according to the following scheme:

**The Vanvitelli University will guarantee:**



- Study grant worth € 6,000.00 per year, paid in monthly instalments following communication of the Responsible of the Career Management and Student Services Division. Beneficiaries will receive detailed information during the enrolment phase;
- Exemption from payment of tuition fees for access to the University's Degree Programmes;
- Psychological support and first medical assistance, through its own university structures
- Support for all immigration procedures through the International Welcome Desk;
- Identification of a dedicated Buddy student to be selected among those enrolled in the same study programme chosen by the beneficiary;
- - Free Italian language course;
- The Internationalization Office staff will be available to assist the student in all phases of the Project.

#### **The Archdiocese of Capua - Centro Fernandes will guarantee:**

- Board and accommodation expenses for the beneficiaries
- Expenses for the purchase of textbooks and/or computer equipment;
- Introduction of students into the social and university life with a tutor who will accompany students;
- Support and expenses for the handling of documentation related to health and/or administrative issues (e.g. issue of residence permits for study purposes);
- Expenses for registration in the National Health Service;
- Expenses for the renewal of the residence permit for study reasons;
- Payment, to each student, of a pocket money of € 2.00 per day for small expenses.

#### **ART.2 Incompatibility**

The UNICORE 3.0 study grant is incompatible with:

- Merit or income based study grants/prizes promoted by the Vanvitelli University for International students;
- Study grants issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI);

- CRUI grants for beneficiaries of International protection;
- Study grants for international students promoted by foreign governmental bodies or institutions based on agreements with the Vanvitelli University;
- Grant for the right to education of the Body of the Campania Region for the Right to University Education (DSU);

### **ART.3 Admission requirements**

The application is open exclusively for candidates who:

1. Are residing in Ethiopia and have been recognized the refugee status with the intervention of UNHCR;
2. Hold a qualification valid for admission to the chosen Second Cycle degree programme;
3. The qualification must have been obtained in a higher education institution accredited by the Ministry of Education of the country that issued the qualification, and must allow, on site, access to a second level degree programme;
4. Grade point average - GPA relating to the qualification of at least 24/30. For the conversion of the average grades from the foreign to the Italian system, the Ministerial formula referred to in Attachment 2 of this announcement will be used;
5. The degree must have not been obtained before 2016;
6. Meet the specific admission requirements of the Second Cycle Degree programme of interest;
7. Have never been enrolled in a Degree programme of the Vanvitelli University or of any other partner Universities.

### **ART.4 Selection criteria and application documents**

#### **Art.4.1 Selection criteria**

Candidates are selected on the basis of merit requirements.

Evaluation will be carried out by a Selection Committee appointed with subsequent provision.

#### **Art.4.2 Application documents**

Students must submit the following documentation:

### **MANDATORY DOCUMENTS:**

1. A copy of their currently valid *Refugee Identity card* issued in collaboration with UNHCR or of their *PoR Card*
2. A Certificate confirming the qualification required for admission to the chosen degree programme
3. An official transcript of exams passed including marks
4. Curriculum vitae drawn up according to the scheme in Attachment 1
5. Any other document required for admission to the chosen degree programme

### **NON MANDATORY DOCUMENTS:**

5. Motivational letter (Maximum two pages)
6. Reference letter/s written by a supervisor or an advisor
7. Video-CV (e.g. using mobile phone) in which the candidates introduce themselves and explain their reasons. Some examples can be found using the Google search engine.

In this phase, translation of documents not in English, French, Spanish, German or Italian may be done directly by the candidate.

### **Art.4.3 Deadline and submission**

Applications can be sent from 1 March 2021 and no later than 1 April 2021.

Students must send applications, including all the documents listed above, to the email address [selezione.UNICORE3.0@unicampania.it](mailto:selezione.UNICORE3.0@unicampania.it).

The competent University Office will send a confirmation email to the email address from which the application was sent.

Incomplete or incorrectly completed applications will not be taken into consideration.

Students are allowed to apply for only one degree programme.

It is possible to apply for 2 universities, indicating an order of preference.

### **Art.5 Selection process**

The selection process is divided in two phases:

- Phase 1: evaluation of documentation
- Phase 2: on-line interview

### **Art.5.1 Phase 1: evaluation of documentation**

The Selection Committee will evaluate the documentation received using the following criteria:

- Academic background and GPA (score: 0-15)
- Curriculum Vitae (score: 0-15)
- Coherence between previous studies and selected Second Cycle Degree programme (score: 0-10)

At the end of the first qualification phase, a merit ranking will be drawn up and only the first 15 candidates will access the interview phase. With the same score, the younger candidate precedes.

Candidates admitted to the second phase will be notified by e-mail by 30 April 2021, the partial ranking will also be published on the website [www.unicampania.it](http://www.unicampania.it), on the page dedicated to the initiative.

### **Art.5.2 Phase 2: On-line interview**

All candidates admitted to Phase 2 will be interviewed by the Selection Committee, who will evaluate the technical and academic skills as well as their mastering of the English language.

The maximum score awarded will be 40 points.

Interviews will take place starting from 12 May and will be on-line.

The day and time of the interview will be published on the University website [www.unicampania.it](http://www.unicampania.it), and will also be notified to candidates by email.

During the interview, candidates will be requested to show the *Refugee Identity Card* or the *PoR Card* used during the on-line application.

The interview will be held in English in order to assess the candidate's level of knowledge.

### **Art.5.3 Establishment and approval of the final ranking list**

Applicants who at the end of the two phases will have obtained a score less than 50/80 will not be eligible

The merit ranking will be drawn up by the Selection Committee by adding up the partial results obtained in the two selection phases.

Candidates will be listed in descending order of scores

In order to guarantee equal access opportunities, two separate rankings will be drawn up based on the gender of the candidates. Only in the case that the list of the eligible candidates does not include representatives of the two genders, the grant will be awarded to two candidates of the same gender.

For equal score, preference will be given to the younger candidate.

The final ranking list will be published by 5 June 2021, on the webpage [www.unicampania.it](http://www.unicampania.it). The University will also send an email to the winners.

### **Art.5.4 Acceptance**

In order to confirm the grant, candidates must reply to the University communication by 10 July 2021. Failure to provide a response by the deadline will determine automatic loss of the benefit.

By accepting the grant, the student fully accepts without reserve the benefits offered by the UNICORE 3.0 project at the conditions established in this call for applications. Candidates also declare under their own responsibility that they do not fall within any of the conditions of incompatibility established in Art. 2 of this call for applications.

### **Art.5.5 Ranking scroll and assignment of available seats**

In the event that one or both winners officially renounce the benefit by 10 July 2021, the University will proceed with the scrolling of the ranking by assigning the grant to the next suitable candidate.

If, after having scrolled all the ranking, seats will still be available, the Vanvitelly University reserves the right to search for eligible candidates from other rankings issued by the Universities partners of the project.

The candidates identified must meet the specific requirements of the degree programmes of the Vanvitelli University.

The allocation of available seats will take place by 20 July 2021.

## **ART.6 Renewal**

### **Art.6.1 Renewal requirements**

For the renewal of the grant, students must obtain at least 30 university credits (CFU) by 10 August 2022. If the study plan of the first year of the degree programme in which the student is enrolled provides for less than 60 credits, the renewal requirement will be calculated on the basis of half of the credits foreseen for the first year.

In order to continue to enjoy the benefits, students must achieve at least 60 university credits (CFU) by 10 August 2023.

Students must graduate by the last available session set in April 2024.

### **Art.6.2 Additional renewals**

Students who expect to fail to graduate by April 2024 can request for an additional 6-month renewal of the grant. Renewal can be granted on condition that at least 80 university credits (CFU) have been completed by 31 March 2024. The renewal request must be submitted to the Student Office of the Department where they are enrolled.

## **ART.7 Withdrawal**

Students who withdraw their studies will automatically lose all benefits.

## **ART.8 Personal data processing**

Pursuant to art. 13 and 14 of the GDPR - General Data Protection Regulation EU n. 2016/679, the personal data provided by candidates will be collected by the Vanvitelli University for the purposes of managing the selection and will be processed in paper form and through an automated database.

The data controller is the Rector of this University.

At any time, the interested party may assert his rights towards the data controller pursuant to Articles from 15 to 22 of the aforementioned EU Regulation 2016/679,



including the right of accessing personal data, as well as some complementary rights, including the right to have data corrected, updated and completed or to have erroneous, incomplete data deleted also if collected in terms that do not comply with the law, as well as the right to oppose their processing for legitimate reasons.

These rights can be asserted by sending an email to the DPO concerning:  
"Privacy rights" e-mail: [rpd@unicampania.it](mailto:rpd@unicampania.it) or certified email: [rpd@pec.unicampania.it](mailto:rpd@pec.unicampania.it)

For further and more detailed information, please refer to the privacy policy published on the University website at the following link:  
<https://www.unicampania.it/index.php/privacy>.

## **Art.9 List of Second cycle programmes of the Vanvitelli University participating in the call**

### **Architecture**

[Architecture-Interior Design and for Autonomy](#)

### **Economy**

[Economics, Finance and Markets](#)

[Business Economics and management](#)

### **Math and Physics**

[Physics](#)

### **Science and technology**

[Molecular biotechnology](#)

### **Political sciences**

[International Relations and Organizations](#)

**ATTACHMENT 1**

Vanvitelli University

**UNICORE 3.0 APPLICATION FORM**

**PERSONAL DETAILS**

Name and Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

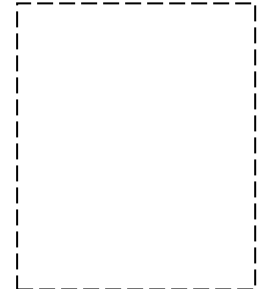
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

refugee ID card number: \_\_\_\_\_

OR ration card number of their *PoR*: \_\_\_\_\_



**PROGRAMME OF INTEREST**

A. \_\_\_\_\_

**HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR OTHER UNIVERSITIES?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

*Summarize in about 5 lines a presentation of professional profile, future professional goals and your motivation.*

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

From.... To....

Job role

Company name

*Describe responsibility and what do you do in this role*

From.... To....

Job role

Company name

*Describe responsibility and what do you do in this role*

## EDUCATION

### Degree

*Date - University, Faculty/Department, Degree course: thesis title and score*

*Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) should be stated in the CV, and GPA documentation should be included in the application (including each semester GPA and cumulative GPA)*

### High school

*Date – name of high school and type of diploma - score*

### Other formative experiences

*From.... To.....: School name, town, course title*

## LANGUAGES

*Levels of knowledge: M: mother tongue, A: elementary, B: intermediate, C: advanced*

LANGUAGE	WRITTEN LEVEL	SPOKEN LEVEL

### Language certifications:

*Please list here any language certification you have gained. Scanned copy of the certification must be attached to the application*

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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## PERSONAL SKILLS

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## HOBBIES

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*I authorize the processing of personal data contained in my curriculum vitae according to art. 13 of Legislative Decree 196/2003 and art. 13 GDPR (EU Regulation 2016/679) for the sole purpose of personnel research and selection.*

*I hereby declare to accept without reserve all the terms and conditions specified in the **UNICORE 3.0 Call for applications for 2 study grants and welcome services for refugee students registering for***

***Second cycle degree programmes taught at the Vanvitelli University, for the Academic Years 2021-2023.***

***I also declare to promptly inform the University about any change in the provided data.***

***Place, Date and Signature***

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## **ATTACHMENT 2**



*Il Ministro dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca*

### **Allegato 5 – Tabella di conversione dei Titoli stranieri**

#### **Valutazione esami**

I candidati che hanno conseguito esami di laurea in una Università straniera hanno a disposizione sul sito <http://www.university.it/> un sistema di conversione dei voti ottenuti sulla base della seguente formula:

$$\text{Voto} = \frac{V - V_{\min}}{V_{\max} - V_{\min}} * (I_{\max} - I_{\min}) + I_{\min}$$

V= Voto da convertire

Vmin=Voto minimo per la sufficienza nell'Università di provenienza

Vmax= Voto massimo nell'Università di provenienza

Imin= Voto minimo per la sufficienza nelle Università Italiane (= 18/30)

Imax= Voto massimo nelle Università Italiane (=30/30)

Per le valutazioni su scala qualitativa si fa riferimento alla seguente scala di conversione:

Valutazione da convertire	Voto
A	30
B	28
C	26
D	23
E	18

### **Conversion table of foreign qualifications**

#### **exam evaluation**

Candidates who have completed graduation exams in a foreign University have the availability on the site <http://www.university.it/> of a system for converting the marks obtained on the basis of the following formula:

$$\text{Voto} = \frac{V - V_{\min}}{V_{\max} - V_{\min}} * (I_{\max} - I_{\min}) + I_{\min}$$

V= grade to convert

Vmin = minimum grade for passing in the home university

Vmax = maximum grade in the home University

Imin = minimum grade for passing in Italian Universities (= 18/30)

Imax = maximum grade in Italian Universities (= 30/30)

For evaluations on a qualitative scale, reference is made to the following conversion table

Evaluation to convert	Grade
A	30
B	28
C	26
D	23
E	18