# SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY OF ROME
## FACTSHEET 2023 - 2024

### Website

| General website of the university | - www.uniroma1.it (Italian)  
|                                 | - https://www.uniroma1.it/en/pagina-strutturale/home (English) |
| Website for incoming exchange students and students guide | - https://www.uniroma1.it/en/pagina/bilateral-agreements-student-mobility-non-eu  
|                                                       | - https://www.uniroma1.it/sites/default/files/field_file_allegati/international_student_guide_3.pdf (Students’ guide) |
| Useful information about living in Rome | https://bit.ly/2RcxvzN |

### Language

| Teaching language | Italian and English |
| Language requirements | Upper intermediate level (B2) of Italian for Italian-taught courses or of English for English-taught courses |

### Academic calendar (mandatory lecture + examination periods)

| Start / end dates – Fall semester | End of September – End of December (start of academic year: 1\textsuperscript{st} semester) |
| Start / end dates - Spring semester | End of February – End of May (2\textsuperscript{nd} semester) |
| Examination period(s) | January-February for the Fall term (1\textsuperscript{st} semester)  
|                                                       | June-July for the Spring term (2\textsuperscript{nd} semester)  
|                                                       | September only for exchange students staying for 1 academic year (2\textsuperscript{nd} + 1\textsuperscript{st} semester) |

### Academic offer

| Link | - https://corsidilaurea.uniroma1.it/ (Italian)  
|                                                       | - https://corsidilaurea.uniroma1.it/en (English). Single courses held in English have an English flag. The updated academic offer will be published in July 2023. |

### Tuition fees

| Exchange students | Exempted from the payment of tuition fees |

### Admission & registration

| Procedure | Partner Universities will nominate students sending us their names and family names (as reported on their passports), e-mail address, degree course, field of study and duration of the mobility (one semester or one academic year). This nomination has to be done according to the deadlines provided via the google form sent by email to Partner Universities. |
| Deadlines for applications |  
| Fall semester (1\textsuperscript{st} semester in Sapienza): | Nomination within April 15\textsuperscript{th}. Online application form will have to be filled out by the students within April 30\textsuperscript{th} |
| Spring semester (2\textsuperscript{nd} semester in Sapienza): | Nominations within October 15\textsuperscript{th}. |
Online application form will have to be filled out by the students within April 30th or October 31st.

In the application form, students are required to upload the following documents: passport, curriculum vitae, transcript of records, learning agreement*, proof of Italian/English knowledge (B1/B2).

After filling out the form, Sapienza University will contact the selected students informing them about the definitive acceptance and sending them their invitation letter. Please note that for the Fall term, invitation letter will be sent starting from June; for the Spring term, starting from December.

Please note that the duration of exchange period of students needs to be not less than 90 days. Students’ arrival needs to be in line with the academic calendar for each semester.

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<th>Invitation letter and study visa</th>
<th>Invitation letter will be sent to all incoming students starting from:</th>
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<td>- June for Fall semester nominations;</td>
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<td>- December for Spring semester nominations.</td>
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<td>In order to allow students getting the study visa, the letter will be sent to the Italian Consulate indicated by the student in his/her application via registered mail. The same letter will be scanned and uploaded on the student’s personal webpage for its download. We don’t send the original nor the scan version of invitation letter to the Partner University.</td>
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| Drop out                          | Nominated students that are not willing to do the exchange in Sapienza any more need to be communicated to intstudex@uniroma1.it by the Home University possibly no later than July 15th for the Fall semester and no later than January 15th for the Spring semester. |

| Learning Agreement (Study plan)* | Learning agreement is a provisional study plan that the selected student need to fill out in order to check which classes will attend. The document can be modified once in Rome. Please note that that Sapienza can sign the Learning agreement only after the signature of the Home University. Furthermore, since this is a provisional document, the official one that will prove exams done at Sapienza will be the Transcript of records. |

Once in Rome

| Arrival at Sapienza               | Students are accepted by Sapienza for this duration:                     |
|                                  | Fall semester: 01.09.2023 – 29.02.2024. Arrival at Sapienza no later than 01.10.2023 |
|                                  | Spring semester: 01.02.2024 – 31.07.2024. Arrival at Sapienza no later than 01.03.2024 |
| According to the nomination sent by the Partner University on the google form. Arrival in Sapienza will have to be in line with the placement test scheduled for the Italian language course. |

| Italian language course          | For all exchange students an intensive or regular Italian course is offered by Sapienza both in the Fall and in the Spring semester. Participation is not compulsory but it is strongly recommended. Student can indicate their preference when filling out the application form. Late/different inscriptions will not be accepted. |

| Welcome Week                    | Each semester Sapienza International Office organizes a Welcome Week for all incoming students. Fall semester: mid-September (date tbc). |
**Spring semester:** beginning of February (date to tbc). Participation of students is strongly recommended.

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<td>Accommodation</td>
<td>Sapienza doesn’t provide a student residence for incoming student. However, several rental agencies in partnership with Sapienza help students in finding a suitable accommodation. Information is available at: <a href="https://www.uniroma1.it/en/pagina/student-housing">https://www.uniroma1.it/en/pagina/student-housing</a></td>
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<td>Sapienza Sport</td>
<td>A sport center is available also for exchange students. For more information visit: <a href="https://web.uniroma1.it/sapienzasport/">https://web.uniroma1.it/sapienzasport/</a></td>
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<td>Extension of exchange</td>
<td>Students’ exchange extensions are considered as new nomination and need to be informed to <a href="mailto:intistudex@uniroma1.it">intistudex@uniroma1.it</a> according to the deadline for application of each Fall and Spring semester.</td>
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### Recognition

#### Grading system

The Italian University system is organized in **3 cycles**: the 1st cycle academic degree, that is the "Laurea" (Bachelor degree), grants access to the 2nd cycle, the "Laurea Magistrale" (Masters degree), corresponding to the 2nd cycle and giving access to 3rd cycle doctorate programmes resulting in the PhD degree called "Dottorato di Ricerca".

The [European Credit Transfer System](https://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programmes/credit-transfer_en) (ECTS) is used by Italian universities to evaluate and measure the workload of single courses, as well as entire qualifications. ECTS credits represent the total student workload (class time, individual study, exam preparation, practical work, etc.) needed to complete a module/programme. According to Italian legislation, **one ECTS corresponds in Sapienza to one CFU credit that is equivalent to 25 hours. CFU and ECTS are the same.**

Exams are graded using a grading scale of 30, where 18 is the minimum passing grade and 30 cum laude the highest grade.

#### Transcript of Records

Issued by the International Office directly to the student at the end of the exchange period. Only digital copies can be sent by email to the Home University of the student only if required by the partner.

#### Conversion formula

In order to do the recognition process in the Home University, the following formula can be used:

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

- **Voto** = the final result
- **V** = grade to be converted
- **V_{\text{min}}** = minimum grade to pass in the Home University
- **V_{\text{max}}** = maximum grade student can get for an exam in the Home University
- **I_{\text{min}}** = 18 (which is the minimum in Italy)
- **I_{\text{max}}** = 30 (which is the maximum in Italy)

**For the letters:**
- A = 30
- B = 28
- C = 26
- D = 23
- E = 18
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| **Address** | International Office  
Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5 - CU007 Palazzina Tumminelli 
00185 Rome - Italy |
| **Contact for incoming exchange students** | International Student Office – Ester Latini and Martina Vizzani  
intstudex@uniroma1.it  
Facebook Fan page: [https://www.facebook.com/studyatsapienza](https://www.facebook.com/studyatsapienza)  
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