

Master's Degree in  
**Ancient Egypt and Western Asia:  
archaeology, history and languages**

Call for applications  
Academic Year 2024/25

The University of Pisa announces for the Academic Year 2024/25 a public competition, open to EU and non-EU citizens, for admission to the Master's Degree in "Ancient Egypt and Western Asia: archaeology, history and languages (AEWA)" (<https://ancientegyptandwesternasia.it>) (Laurea Magistrale, class LM-02). The competition aims at admitting **EU and non-EU applicants**, who must apply and undergo an evaluation procedure. The submitted documentation will be assessed by the Master's Degree Evaluation Committee (EC). Shortlisted applicants will be eligible for admission and ranked.

Applicants must either hold:

- a **Bachelor** or equivalent first-cycle degree, obtained abroad after the completion of a three-year (minimum) course of study, in **Humanities** or **any other degree providing a suitable background in Egyptology and/or Archaeology, History and Languages of Ancient Western Asia**. The admission of candidates holding a qualification issued in a EU and non-EU country will be subject to verification and recognition of legitimacy by the Italian deputy diplomatic authorities.
- any Italian Laurea degree of classes L-1 Beni Culturali, L-10 Lettere, L-42 Storia (D.M. 270/04) or classes 13 Scienze dei Beni Culturali, 5 Lettere, 38 Storia (D.M. 509/99), including at least 42 CFUs taken in archaeological, historical, literary and artistic disciplines in the fields of the scientific disciplines (SSD) L-OR and L-ANT. In case of Laurea degree in classes other than those indicated above, for the admission it is necessary to have acquired at least 60 CFUs in archaeological, historical, literary and artistic disciplines in the fields included in the scientific-disciplinary sectors L-OR and L-ANT.

Knowledge of the English language, comparable to the **level B2** of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, is also required.

## Application procedure and due documentation

Applicants shall apply online at <https://applymscenglish.unipi.it>. In the application form, applicants must include:

- a declaration of knowledge of the English language, specifying the duration of studies and the type of certification held;
- certification of the academic degree they possess, with an indication of the legal duration of the course (at least three years), together with a copy of the degree certificate and transcripts (translated to English or Italian);
- a copy of a valid passport;
- a copy of their complete Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum covering their education program, as well as any other relevant cultural and professional experience that might help the EC to evaluate the applicant.

Applicants may also include other documents (e.g., letters of reference, other certificates). **All documents must be in Adobe pdf format.**

Applications missing any of the required documents are not considered valid and will not be processed further. Applications cannot be integrated after the call deadline.

## Application deadlines and selection schedule

Applications are evaluated according to the following steps:

### Non-EU students

- applications are open from **December 15, 2023 to June 30, 2024, 12:00 pm (GMT) [strict]**
- notifications of **admission** or **rejection** will be sent in two times by email, first round by **March 15** and second round by **July 15, 2024**
- no communications will be sent before the end of the selection process

### EU and Non-Eu citizens with a residency permit

- applications are open from **December 15, 2023 to June 30, 2024, 12:00 pm (GMT) [strict]**
- notifications of **admission** or **rejection** will be sent by email within 60 days from the application
- no communications will be sent before the end of the selection process

Prospective applicants are therefore encouraged to apply at their earliest convenience.

## Application deadline and selection schedule for possible scholarship (reserved to international students)

- applications received till **February 15** every year are **the only ones** which can be considered for the assignment of one possible scholarship
- interviews for the possible scholarship are scheduled from **February 16, 2024 to March 10, 2024 [tentative]**
- the selected applicant for the possible scholarship will be notified by **March 15, 2024 [tentative]**
- no communications will be sent to the students who are not eligible for the scholarship

Scholarship will be awarded evaluating the following factors: CV, Interview, CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) and Country of origin of the applicant, giving priority to the less economically advantaged countries. Applicants shortlisted for the interview will be informed via e-mail (sent to the account indicated in the application form) about the time and date of the interview. Interviews will be held through videoconference using Zoom/Teams/Google Meet/Skype. The applicant shall provide the proper settings to carry out the video interview and exhibit the ID submitted in the online application. Applicants not attending the interview in their scheduled slot will be excluded.

## Evaluation procedure

The documentation submitted by applicants will be evaluated by the Evaluation Committee (EC). The committee will assess the applicants' background and education, their potential skills and attitude to attend the educational programme.

## What to do upon admission

Admitted applicants will first need to confirm by email their intent to pre-enrol, by replying to the email notifying their admission. Upon confirmation of their intent to pre-enrol, the admitted applicants will receive a formal admission letter by email. The letter must be included in the pre-enrolment documentation to be unloaded on the UNIVERSITALY website so as to be submitted to the Italian Embassy/Consulate - by a deadline which is to be verified by the students - and to apply for a Student Visa. Information on pre-enrolment is available at:

<https://www.unipi.it/index.php/enrolment/item/4939-second-cycle-degree-programmes>

Please note that completing the pre-enrolment and Student Visa procedures might take several weeks, depending on the Italian Embassy/Consulates, and that the University of Pisa cannot liaise with the Embassy/Consulate on your behalf under any circumstance. Students

that have successfully pre-enrolled on University and have obtained their Student Visa will be able to come to Italy, where they will follow the procedure to enroll at the University of Pisa. Enrolment instructions are available at:

<https://www.unipi.it/index.php/enrolment/item/4944-second-cycle-degree-programmes>

Admitted students must also inform the EC of their final Student Visa status by sending an email to our international office: [erasmus@cfs.unipi.it](mailto:erasmus@cfs.unipi.it)

## **Fees and Financial Support**

Info at page: <https://www.unipi.it/index.php/study/itemlist/category/298>

More info at: <https://www.unipi.it/contribution>

For other grants please consult the page: <https://www.unipi.it/index.php/iscrivarsi-all-universita-di-pisa/itemlist/category/508-tasse-universitarie>.