



Committee for International
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(CICOPS)

CICOPS SCHOLARSHIPS 2026

FAQ

- I wish to apply for a CICOPS scholarship but I am not in contact with any of the Professors at University of Pavia. Can I send my application without a letter of invitation?

NO.

Applications must be supported by a letter of invitation from a professor at the University of Pavia, someone who would work with you on a joint research project whilst in Pavia.

Without a formal invitation from a professor of the University of Pavia your application will not be taken into consideration.

- How can I get in touch with a Professor at the University of Pavia who might be interested in starting a joint research project in my field of studies?

Applicants with ongoing collaborations with professors at the University of Pavia are requested to ask them for an invitation letter for joint research.

If you do not have any contact yet, you are invited to get in touch with professors/researchers of the University of Pavia who may have similar interests and who may be willing to collaborate with you.

In the table below you will find the list of Departments at the University of Pavia, with the link to the Department Websites (apologies, some of them currently only exist in Italian).

Area of study	Department
Science and Technology	Department of Chemistry
	Department of Physics
	Department of Civil Engineering and Architecture
	Department of Electrical, Computer and Biomedical Engineering
	Department of Mathematics
	Department of Drugs Sciences
	Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences
Life Sciences	Department of Biology and Biotechnology "Lazzaro Spallanzani"
	Department of Brain and Behavioural Sciences
	Department of Internal Medicine and Therapeutics
	Department of Molecular Medicine
	Department of Public Health, Neuroscience, Experimental and Forensic Medicine
Humanities and Social Sciences	Department of Clinical-Surgical, Diagnostic and Pediatric Sciences
	Department of Law
	Department of Economics and Management
	Department of Musicology and Cultural Heritage
	Department of Political and Social Sciences
	Department of Humanities



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- I wrote to some professors but I have not received answer, how can I put forward my candidacy for a CICOPS scholarship?

If you have not received a single answer from a professor at the University of Pavia, please let us know and we will send you a research proposal form to be filled out and sent back to CICOPS (e-mail: cicops@unipv.it).

We will evaluate the proposals we receive and, in case of congruence of your research project with a research activity carried out at the University of Pavia, we will send your proposal to the relevant Department.

Please, be aware that we can only try to put you in touch with a professor but we cannot guarantee that you will receive a positive response.

- I have received two invitation letters from two different professors at the University of Pavia, can I send in two applications?

NO.

Each applicant can only send in one candidacy for a CICOPS scholarship.

- I am a PhD Student and I still have yet to graduate. Can I apply for a CICOPS scholarship?

If you are still a PhD student, you can only apply for a CICOPS scholarship if you are institutionally engaged by a University or Institution on a regular basis.

- I am enrolled/I will be enrolled in a Doctorate Course (PhD) or in a Postgraduate Course at an Italian University. Can I apply for a CICOPS scholarship in order to finance part of my period of studies?

NO.

CICOPS scholarships are reserved for research collaborations in the short term (from 4 to 12 weeks) in order to encourage the mobility of researchers from developing countries and cannot be awarded in the case of doctoral studies or enrolment in a Postgraduate course at an Italian University.

- I have already received a CICOPS scholarship in the past and I would like to propose a second candidature for 2023, is this possible?

It is permitted to present a further candidature, but considering the high number of applications we receive each year, we will give priority to researchers who are submitting their application for the first time.

- The CICOPS call says that priority will be given to applicants employed by Universities/Institutions linked to the University of Pavia with a pre-existing Cooperation Agreement. How can I know if my Institution has an agreement with the University of Pavia?

You can find the list of International Collaborations at the University of Pavia on the following page: [University of Pavia International Cooperation Agreements](#)

- I have sent an email of enquiry but I did not receive answer. Why is this?

Due to the high number of questions received by email, only those which cannot be answered by reading the call for applications and the FAQ with great care will receive a reply.