



Committee for International  
Cooperation and Development  
(CICOPS)

## CICOPS SCHOLARSHIPS 2027

### 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.

Applicants are encouraged to **identify potential hosts** using [UNIFIND](#) the University of Pavia's **academic staff search tool**, where professors and researchers can be identified by discipline and field of expertise.

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



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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 contacted professors but did not receive a reply, you may try contacting other researchers whose expertise is relevant to your proposed research topic.

Please note that applicants must contact potential hosts directly. **The CICOPS office cannot suggest supervisors or forward research proposals to Departments.**

**- 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 still have to graduate for a PhD (or equivalent doctoral degree) you can apply to a CICOPS scholarship **only if you are Currently employed** (teaching/lecturer/research/technical staff), for **at least two years** by a university / higher-education institution, or a public/non-profit research centre, or an intergovernmental/international public institution (only if research/technical duties are documented) based in an eligible country.

**- 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 2027, is this possible?**

NO.

Applicants who have already been awarded a CICOPS scholarship are **not eligible** to submit a new application.

**- 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.