

ADMISSION TO THE MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN MARINE SCIENCES - SCIENZE MARINE - F7504Q A.Y. 2025-2026

1. Introduction

Degree programme language: English

Access: Open access with entry requirements examination

PLEASE NOTE:

- Applicants with a foreign academic qualification must apply exclusively via [Dream Apply](#).

- Students wishing to enrol in the master's degree programme **by transfer from another master's degree programme at this University or transfer from another University** must still apply for career evaluation and may only enrol if admitted.

2. Entry requirements and assessment of background knowledge

Admission to the master's degree programme in Marine Sciences - Scienze Marine (LM-75) is subject to the possession of specific curricular requirements and to the adequacy of personal preparation verified by an Evaluation Committee in accordance with the procedures defined in the degree programme's Didactic Regulation (A.Y. 2025/2026).

To be admitted to the Master's degree programme it is necessary to hold a Bachelor's degree (or three-year university diploma) in one of the following degree classes (ex DM 270/04 or ex DM 509/99):

- L-32 Environmental Sciences (or Class 27);
- L-34 Geological Sciences (or Class 16);
- L-13 Biology (or Class 12).

Alternatively, students from other degree classes are required to possess **at least 24 CFUs in total**, in the following scientific-disciplinary fields (i.e. Settori Scientifico Disciplinari or SSD):

- CHIM/01 to CHIM/12 (Chemical disciplines);
- BIO/01 to BIO/19 (Biological disciplines);
- GEO/01 to GEO/12 (Earth Sciences disciplines).

An English language level of B2 or higher is also required for admission to enable understanding and participation in the training activities (see paragraph 2.2).

2.1 Admission interview

Once the curricular requirements have been verified, admission to the course is conditional on an assessment of background knowledge.

The assessment of the adequacy of personal preparation will be carried out through an interview conducted in English, aimed at ascertaining knowledge in the fields of chemistry, biology, ecology, geology and geography.

Following the interview, the Evaluation Commission may provide indications aimed at reinforcing basic knowledge in order to facilitate better progression in the candidates' academic studies.

The syllabus and recommended texts for preparation are published on the [e-learning page of the Master's degree Course](#).

Candidates in possession of the curricular requirements and a degree awarded with a mark of 99/110 or higher are exempt from the interview.

Students living more than 100 km from our University, or those having documented study, work or health reasons may request to take the interview remotely (via videoconference) to didattica.ms@unimib.it.

PLEASE NOTE: CFUs (i.e. ETCS) gained with single course exams not corresponding to compulsory teaching activities in the Master's Degree Programme in Marine Sciences can also be counted to reach the required CFUs for admission. However, these exams cannot be applied for the purpose of shortening the Master's Degree Programme. Single course CFUs that constitute compulsory activities in Marine Sciences are not counted for the achievement of CFUs required for admission, and may be recognised after enrolment.

2.2 B2 level English language certification (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages - CEFR)

A B2 level knowledge of the English language is required for admission, all candidates must upload **one** of the following alternatives:

1. A certificate, recognised by our University, corresponding to level B2 or higher.
Please note: certificates must not have been obtained more than 3 calendar years before the date of application; see the list of accepted certificates here: https://www.unimib.it/sites/default/files/2023-11/Certificazioni_INGLESE_ott2023_UNIMIB_def.pdf
2. The Bbetween English B2 Open Badge from the Università degli Studi di Milano-Bicocca;
3. A declaration of the University of origin certifying that the attended degree programme is entirely offered in English;
4. Candidates holding a passport from the following countries fulfil the requirement: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Canada, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Malta, New Zealand, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom, USA.

As an alternative to the options described, **candidates may request to take the English test offered by our University**, by filling in and uploading the request form available on the same [webpage](#) as this notice.

The test will be held in person, candidates will receive instructions on how to participate by email.

3. First application period for candidates legally residing in Italy holding an Italian academic qualification

Candidates who will achieve their Italian academic title by 23 December 2025, may apply for a career evaluation on the dates indicated below:

Application deadlines	Interview dates
From 15 April to 23 June 2025	8-9-10 July 2025 - 09:00 a.m.
From 30 June to 8 September 2025	17-18-19 September 2025 - 09:00 a.m.

An application fee of EUR 30 is required.

4. How to apply

The application for a career evaluation must be completed online via [Segreteria Online](#), as indicated below.

4.1 Registration on Segreteria Online (first access only)

If the candidate is accessing the system for the first time, he/she must register his/her personal data by selecting “Registration” in the Reserved Area and following the indicated procedure. The data required for registration are tax code, personal details, address of residence and domicile, telephone number and e-mail address (which the University requires to send any communications to the candidate). Registration may only be carried out once. Foreign candidates without a tax code may also register, they must select: “Foreign student without tax code”. At the end of registration, the username assigned by the system and the personal password chosen will allow the login for candidates’ application to the master’s degree programme (to retrieve your password please consult the Password Management page).

4.2 Application

After logging in, click “Evaluation Test” in the registered area, then proceed by selecting: “Marine Sciences - Scienze Marine - Domanda di valutazione riservata ai candidati con titolo accademico italiano” (Marine Sciences - Scienze Marine - Application reserved for students holding an Italian academic title)”

To complete the application, candidates are required to upload:

1. Valid ID document (identity card or passport).
2. Digital ID photo in bitmap or jpeg format with a resolution of at least 300x400 pixels, only the candidate’s face on a light background must be visible. It will be printed on the university badge in the case of enrolment.
3. The requested academic documentation, following the instructions below.

Applicants should prepare their documentation in advance, once the application procedure has been completed, it will no longer be possible to add or replace attachments.

After uploading the required documents, only candidates who have not yet graduated by the application date will be asked to fill an “Admission Questionnaire”. Once the questionnaire is filled in, it must be confirmed, otherwise the information entered will not be acquired. Once the procedure has been completed, click EXIT to continue and conclude the admission procedure.

4.3 Uploading academic titles

Candidates must upload the following mandatory documentation on the “Management of qualifications and documents for evaluation” page (Please note that “MIN 0” means that it is not compulsory to upload the document, “MIN 1” that it is compulsory to upload the document otherwise it is not possible to continue the application, “MAX” indicates the maximum number of documents that can be uploaded):

- **Graduates/graduands from this university**
 - Proof of knowledge of the English language (see paragraph 2.2)
 - Other titles and/or statements of relevant activities (not mandatory)

Students from this university are not required to upload any self-certification of their academic qualification.

- **Graduates from other universities**
 - **MANDATORY** self-certification (i.e. *Dichiarazione Sostitutiva di Certificazione*) attesting the academic qualification, the **graduation mark**, passed exams, obtained CFUs and scientific areas (i.e. Settori Scientifico-Disciplinari or SSD). Please use the following form “[Autocertificazione titoli e/o esami](#)”. If the form is not sufficient to list all the exams taken, a second copy may be filled out. The candidate will have to merge both copies into a single pdf file. **The self-certification must be signed by the candidate.**

- Proof of knowledge of the English language (see paragraph 2.2)
- Other titles and/or statements of relevant activities (not mandatory)
- **Graduands from other universities**
 - **MANDATORY** self-certification (i.e. *Dichiarazione Sostitutiva di Certificazione*) of enrolment in a bachelor's degree programme, passed exams, obtained CFUs and scientific areas (i.e. Settori Scientifico-Disciplinari or SSD). Please use the following form "[Autocertificazione titoli e/o esami](#)". If the form is not sufficient to list all the exams taken, a second copy may be filled out. The candidate will have to merge both copies into a single pdf file. **The self-certification must be signed by the candidate.**
 - Proof of knowledge of the English language (see paragraph 2.2)
 - Other titles and/or statements of relevant activities (not mandatory).

5. Publication of the admitted candidates list and enrolment deadline

The Evaluation Committee will proceed to verify the possession of the curricular requirements based on the documentation uploaded by the candidates.

In the days following the end of a specific application period, candidates admitted to the interview will be notified by email. They will receive details such as the date, time and classroom where the interview will take place (or the link if the candidate requested a remote interview).

In the days following the interviews, the list of all candidates admitted to the Master's degree programme will be published [here](#).

Admitted candidates will be able to enrol via [Segreteria OnLine](#) and pay the first down instalment of University fees from the day after the publication of the admitted candidates list and **by 24 October 2025**.

The enrolment of graduating students will take place under the condition that they obtain their Bachelor's degree by 23 December 2025, their academic careers will only be fully activated after graduation according to the following procedures:

- Graduating students coming from another university must self-certify the achievement of their degree by sending to segr.studenti.scienze@unimib.it the self-certification of degree achievement, using the "[Autocertificazione titoli e/o esami](#)" form (filling out only the part relating to the data of the degree achievement), and a scan of an ID document by **15 January 2026**;;
- Graduating students at the Università degli Studi di Milano-Bicocca must in any case enrol by **24 October 2025**, their master's degree career will be automatically activated upon graduation.

6. Students of this or another university who will obtain an academic degree between 2 and 31 March 2026

These students will not be admitted to the master's degree programme for the 2025/2026 academic year, may enrol in single courses in the second semester of the 2025/2026 academic year up to a maximum of 24 CFU, paying 30 euros per CFU, as determined by the Board of Directors.

In the case of enrolment in the Master's degree programme for the 2026/2027 academic year, these students will only be able to apply for recognition of examinations passed as single courses if they have not been assessed for admission purposes.

The application must be submitted by 27 February 2026.

The deadline for passing the single course examinations is 30 September 2026.

7. Information on the processing of personal data

The data will be processed pursuant to Legislative Decree No 196 of 2003 (Personal Data Protection Code) and its subsequent amendments and additions, as well as EU Regulation 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation or GDPR). You can view the information notice at the following link: [Informativa per studenti e utenti formazione e servizi - REV7 18-03-21.docx](#).

8. Contacts

For information on submitting an application:

segr.studenti.scienze@unimib.it

For information on the master's degree programme:

didattica.ms@unimib.it

Support for students with disabilities and DSA:

info.binclusion@unimib.it

Student Orientation Service:

orientamento@unimib.it

Desk hours and telephone reception:

<https://www.unimib.it/servizi/studenti-e-laureati/bicocca-orienta/servizi-orientamento/servizio-orientamentostudenti-sos>

The University will be closed on May 1-4, 2025 and August 11-14, 2025.

Milan, 10 April 2025