

COMPETITION NOTICE
DEGREE AWARD FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
GRADUATES OF THE MASTER'S DEGREE COURSE
IN INTERNATIONAL TOURISM AND DESTINATION MANAGEMENT (class LM-49)
YEAR 2024

Art. 1 - Subject

The Unified Council of the Classes in Cultural Heritage and Tourism Sciences (L-1&L-15, LM-49, LM-89) hereby announces a Degree Award for EU and non-EU international students who will graduate in the year 2024 in the Master's Degree Programme in International Tourism and Destination Management - ITourDeM (class LM-49) at the University of Macerata, in order to recognise the commitment of the students who will write the best theses according to the criteria set out in art. 5 of this notice.

The Prize for the three best dissertations consists of the awarding of an amount according to the following scheme:

- first prize: € 1.000,00*
- second prize: € 600,00*
- third prize: € 400,00*

*The value of the prize must be considered gross of withholding taxes.

The tax treatment applied will refer to the legislation in force at the time of the establishment of the prize.

Art. 2 – Participation requirements for the competition

The competition is exclusively open to international students (thus, excluding students of Italian nationality) who will obtain their Master's degree in International Tourism and Destination Management (class LM-49) from the University of Macerata in the calendar year 2024: extraordinary degree session a.y. 2022/23, summer and autumn sessions a.y. 2023/24.

Applicants must have obtained their degree within the expected duration of the course; those who have not completed university exams within the set time period are therefore excluded from participation.

Art. 3 – How to apply

The application must be submitted by filling in the form published on the following webpage: https://sfbct.unimc.it/en/courses/degree-courses/itourdem/courses/lm-49-itourdem/Degree-award/LM-49_degree_award_2024 no later than 30th November 2024.

The candidate must attach to the application a copy (front and back) of a valid ID card or passport duly signed. Applications received by other methods and/or those received after the indicated deadline will be excluded.

Art. 4 - Selection Committee

The Selection Committee is composed of the following members:

- Prof. Simone Betti (President)
- Prof. Matteo Benozzo (member)
- Prof. Mara Cerquetti (member)
- Prof. Isabella Crespi (member)
- Prof. Antonio Fruttaldo (member)
- Prof. Marta Maria Montella (member)

Art. 5 - Evaluation criteria

The Committee will assess the theses of the candidates for the award on the basis of the following criteria:

- originality of the thesis (relative weight of 25/100);
- scientific and methodological rigour (relative weight of 25/100);
- completeness of the treatment of the subject and the results (relative weight of 20/100).
- final degree mark (relative weight of 30/100).

In any case, the minimum score required to obtain the prize is 60/100.

In the event of a tie, preference will be given to (in order):

- the higher final mark achieved in the discussion of the Master's degree;
- the younger age.

The Committee reserves the right not to confer all the prizes.

The Committee's judgement is final and unquestionable.

The Committee's decisions shall apply to all matters not covered by this notice.

Art. 6 – Merit ranking list

Once the evaluation of the applications is completed, the Selection Committee will draw up a ranking of the candidates.

The selection outcome will be communicated to the winner via the Unimc e-mail address (@studenti.unimc.it) and the private e-mail address indicated in the university database.

The ranking list will also be published on the website of the Department of Education, Cultural Heritage and Tourism of the University of Macerata in the section "Bandi – Bandi per studenti" (Announcements - Announcements for students).

The degree award will be mentioned in the winner's Diploma Supplement.

Art. 7 – Awarding the winners

The award ceremony will be organised by the Department of Education, Cultural Heritage and Tourism of the University of Macerata.

The ceremony date will be communicated via the Unimc e-mail address (@studenti.unimc.it) and the private e-mail address indicated in the university database.

The award ceremony will also be announced through the University's communication channels.

Art. 8 - Information on data processing

The personal data provided by candidates are collected and processed for the purposes of this call for applications in accordance with the provisions of current legislation.

The University of Macerata will use the data contained in the application forms in compliance with what is indicated in the information addressed to students and available on the webpage <https://www.unimc.it/it/privacy-policy/informativa-studenti.pdf>.

The candidate authorises the administrative offices and the Selection Committee of the Degree Award to use their dissertation for the following purposes:

- consultation by the Selection Committee for the purposes related to the evaluation and preparation of the merit ranking;
- mention of the possible position of merit of the Degree Award in the Diploma Supplement in case the candidate is among the winners of the Degree Award.

In any case, the candidate releases the University of Macerata from any liability in case of wrongful or illegal use of the dissertation by third parties.

Art. 9 - Person in charge of the procedure

In compliance with the applicable legal provisions on the subject, Mrs Monica Cavalletti (e-mail: monica.cavalletti@unimc.it) has been appointed as Responsible for the administrative procedure.

Art. 10 - Publicity of the call for applications

This call for applications is published on the University of Macerata's Official Online Bulletin Board on the webpage https://www.unimc.it/albo_online and the University of Macerata's Department of Education, Cultural Heritage and Tourism website at <https://sfbct.unimc.it/it/dipartimento/bandi/bando-studenti>. The call for applications will also be announced through the University's communication channels.

Macerata, 08/02/2024

The President of the Unified Council
of the classes in
Cultural Heritage and Tourism Sciences
(L-1&L-15, LM-49, LM-89)
Prof. Simone Betti