

*Double Degree  
in International  
Management*

## International Student Guide

Piacenza  
School of Business and Law



UNIVERSITÀ  
CATTOLICA  
del Sacro Cuore

# Welcome to Piacenza

Dear student,

Congratulations! You have been selected by your Home University for the Double Degree Program at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Piacenza-Cremona Campus, in Piacenza.

Welcome! In the following pages you will find useful information about the city of Piacenza and our University.

For any other information, do not hesitate to contact Francesca Lucchi by phone (+39 0523 599436), skype ([francescalucchiucsc](https://www.skype.com/partners/francescalucchiucsc)) or e-mail [ucsc.international-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:ucsc.international-pc@unicatt.it)

The International Office is open to the public:  
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10.00 - 12.00  
Tuesdays and Thursdays 14.30 - 16.30

See you soon in Piacenza!

UCSC International Staff





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## Brief history of Cattolica

Europe's largest Catholic University was founded by Father Agostino Gemelli, together with a group of Catholic intellectuals (Ludovico Necchi, Francesco Olgiati, Armida Barelli and Ernesto Lombardo).

The Giuseppe Toniolo Institute for Advanced Studies was set up in 1920 and was the founding entity of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore. The official inauguration took place in Milan, and the university gained official state recognition as an independent university in 1924. In 1928 Father Gemelli purchased the historic Saint Ambrose Monastery, located in the centre of Milan, which was then inaugurated as the main building of the University on 30th October 1932.

The architect Giovanni Muzio was then commissioned by Father Gemelli to undertake the restoration and renovation of the original structure and the addition of new buildings.

The Piacenza Campus was built after World War II and was opened at the beginning of the 1952-1953 academic year. The Agostino Gemelli General Hospital in Rome was inaugurated in 1964 as part of the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery. The Brescia campus was opened in 1965 and the Centre for High Technology Research and Education in Biomedical Sciences was opened

in 2002 in Campobasso.

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Piacenza-Cremona Campus is home to 3 Schools:

- Economics and Law
- Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences
- Educational Sciences.

Enrolling a total of 2500 students (with around 270 faculty members and 130 staff members) the campus offers two distinct realities: Piacenza, the crossroads of cities and cultures, and Cremona, the violin city.

Providing many green areas and efficient administration, computer labs and recreational activities, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Piacenza-Cremona campus is the best option for students who want to pursue a quiet, hardworking and culturally inspired experience. Situated at the heart of the Po Valley, in the lush and fertile region of Emilia-Romagna, Piacenza is only 65 km away from Milan and 150 km from Bologna. It lies on the border between Lombardy and Piedmont, two of the most industrialized regions in the north, at an important logistic hub for road and rail transport, both national and international.

Thanks to its easy access from both the south and the north of the country, Piacenza has always been

an important centre for commerce and transport. In fact, it is considered the gateway to all important surrounding cities of Northern Italy, including Milan, Parma or Bologna.

Moreover, Piacenza is one of the cities of art of the region Emilia-Romagna, with its palaces, churches and museums.

Both in the city center and around the province you will have the opportunity to enjoy the pleasure of

Italian cuisine, thanks to the long and refined culinary tradition of Piacenza. The added value of Piacenza and Cremona is the relationship between students and professors, which stimulates students to pursue higher goals, showing competitiveness and ambition for a wonderful array of future job opportunities.



## Pre-enrolment procedure at Cattolica

### (NON-EU students)

According to the Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) rules, before enrolling in an Italian University, non-European students must follow the pre-enrolment procedure at the relevant Consular Office at the Italian Embassy of Consulate in their Home Country.

Students can find all the necessary information at the following link:  
› [www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/calendar.html](http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/calendar.html)

Without the pre-enrolment procedures students will not be allowed to complete enrolment and course registration at Università Cattolica.

Please pay close attention to the consular application deadlines. By the end of June you will receive an e-mail with the date of the Italian Language Examination for the Academic Year 2017/2018, which is compulsory if you apply at an Italian University.

### VISA (Non-EU students)

In order to stay in Italy for more than 90 days, non-European students must get a VISA at the Italian Embassy located in their Home Country.

For more information visit the website:

› [www.esteri.it/visti/home\\_eng.asp](http://www.esteri.it/visti/home_eng.asp)

Please find below the basic application requirements. However, it is important that students check their Consulate/Embassy website for any additional requirements:

- Admission letter issued by host institution
- Passport and Driving License/ID/Residency Card
- Student visa application to be submitted in person
- Proof of enrolment at home institution
- Affidavit of financial support
- Proof of adequate health insurance coverage outside your country
- Flight itinerary

Università Cattolica will send to the student's Home University the Acceptance Letter only upon receiving the **Application Form** (see the Application Form section).

Without a visa students will not be able to obtain a residency permit and consequently will not be allowed to stay in Italy for longer than 90 days.

## Medical assistance

EU residents are entitled to Italian public health benefits. The service is guaranteed to all individuals holding an European Health Card or European Health Card Substitute Certificate, which should be requested from your home country Health Authority.

In Piacenza, EU residents/citizens will be entitled to treatment at Emergency rooms and hospitals, and to consultation with a General Health Practitioner, upon presenting the above mentioned card or certificate.

**Please be sure that you bring this card or substitute certificate with you to Italy.**

Non-European students must have an International Health Insurance that covers costs related to medical treatment and admission to hospital. This kind of insurance costs usually about €150 and has a duration of a year (expiration by the end of December). With proper coverage Non-EU residents will be able to benefit from the National or Private Health Care Service and obtain, upon return to their home country, a refund of their health expenses in Italy (terms and conditions may vary depending on your Insurance Coverage Plan).

**We advise that students read carefully the terms of your insurance policy in order to avoid problems once in Italy.**

Non-EU Students are required to have adequate insurance policy to apply for a residency permit.

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For more info you can contact:

### AUSL - Azienda Unità Sanitaria Locale (Local Health Service)

Piacenza Department  
Address: Piazzale Milano, 3  
29122 Piacenza  
Tel.: +39 0523 301 111

### Opening hours

- From Mon. to Fri.: 8.00 - 13.00
- Thur.: 8.00 - 17.00 (no lunchtime closure)
- Sat.: 8.15 - 12.00

### On Campus medical assistance

There is a Health Center on campus which provides all registered students with medical care, nursing care and psychological counselling.

### Contact

Collegio Sant'Isidoro  
Strada dell'Anselma, 7  
29122 Piacenza  
> [info.pc.dsu@educatt.it](mailto:info.pc.dsu@educatt.it)  
Tel.: +39 0523 621111

### Opening hours

- Mon. and Wed.: 15.00 - 16.00
- Fri.: 11.00 - 12.00

### On Campus psychological counselling

@: [consulenza.psicologica.pc.dsu@educatt.it](mailto:consulenza.psicologica.pc.dsu@educatt.it)  
Tel.: +39 0523 621111

### Emergency telephone numbers:

- > Carabinieri Police: 112
- > National Police: 113
- > Fire Fighters: 115
- > First Aid: 118

## Application form

As of April 2017, the Application Form for the Double Degree Program at the School of Economics and Law of Università Cattolica - Piacenza campus will be available at the web page:

> [www.ucscinternational.it/academics/double-degree-programs/dd-ipbs-piacenza](http://www.ucscinternational.it/academics/double-degree-programs/dd-ipbs-piacenza)

Please complete the form online (in fillable pdf format) and send the Application, duly completed, at the e-mail address

@: [ucscinternational-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:ucscinternational-pc@unicatt.it) together with:

- Photocopy of your passport or I.D and visa.
- 1 JPG passport-sized photo
- Copy of your High School Diploma
- Receipt of payment of the regional tax, which is compulsory in order to enroll regularly at Cattolica. The tax costs € 156 (€ 140 tax + € 16 revenue stamp). The tax must be paid by students enrolling in the 1st 2nd and 3rd years. The cost might be subject to change.
- Any Language Certificate

You will be able to pay the regional tax via bank transfer starting from mid-July 2017.

Please find the payment details below:

**Beneficiary:** Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore - Via Emilia Parmense 84, 29122 Piacenza

**Bank:** Cassa di Risparmio di Parma e

Piacenza - Agenzia "D"  
Via Colombo 101, 29122 Piacenza  
**IBAN:** ITB0623012607000000015755

**BIC (Swift code):** CRPPIT2P007

**Description:** "YOUR NAME and SUR-NAME *Iscrizione studente straniero Double Degree PRIMO/SECONDO/TERZO ANNO*" (choose the correct year)

At the Orientation Event we will provide assistance to complete the Enrolment Application (*immatricolazione*) which students will hand in on the same day to the International Office together with the following documents:

- **Copy of your Christening Certificate:** Student who are not baptized, will have to provide a self-certification of the fact and, once in Piacenza, will have an interview with the spiritual guide of our Campus, who provide a waiver.
- **Original High School Diploma:** At the end of October students will be able to collect their original Diploma from the International Admissions Office.

A few days after the Welcome Day, students will receive their Student ID Number (numero di matricola), Student Card and Libretto (grade report booklet).

Students will not be enrolled if any of the above mentioned documents are missing.

## Accommodation in Piacenza

There are various ways to find an accommodation. We advise students to come to Piacenza at the end of July and take the time to visit as many lodgings as possible to find a suitable option.

If the students are not planning to come before September, we suggest booking a temporary accommodation for the first week or two until finding an appropriate solution that corresponds to one's needs and expectations.

Important: Università Cattolica and the International Office are not responsible for any problem related to accommodation or housing agreements between the student and the owner.

Prices may vary between € 250 student (+ expenses) for shared apartments to € 500/student (+ expenses) if you live on your own a single room/flat.

### Rental Agencies

Please find below the contacts of some Rental Agencies that help International students in finding an apartment with 50% discount on the agency price:

#### Real Estate Agency Casa In

Ms Emanuela Anglani (English speaking)  
Via Tansini 35/C - 29122 Piacenza

Tel. +39 339 4297746  
@: [info@casainpiacenza.it](mailto:info@casainpiacenza.it)

#### Real Estate Agency Piacenza Affitti

Mr Sandro Mazzalupi  
Tel. +39 347 6990669  
@: [info@piacenzaaffitti.it](mailto:info@piacenzaaffitti.it)  
> [www.casainpiacenza.it](http://www.casainpiacenza.it)

#### Agenzia Immobiliare Tecnocasa

Ms. Elisa FERRARI (English-speaking)  
Tel. +39 0523 455863  
@: [pccc2@tecnocasa.it](mailto:pccc2@tecnocasa.it)  
> [www.tecnocasa.it](http://www.tecnocasa.it)

#### Agenzia Immobiliare Soluzione Casa

[www.soluzionecasapc.it](http://www.soluzionecasapc.it)  
Mr Massimo Corbellini  
Tel. + 39 0523 490818  
@: [info@soluzionecasapc.it](mailto:info@soluzionecasapc.it)

#### Servizio Abitativo Edu.catt – Online Offers

> [www.educatt.it/bachecaPC/bacheca\\_intro.asp](http://www.educatt.it/bachecaPC/bacheca_intro.asp)

### Residence halls for Cattolica students

#### Residenza Gasparini – La Colombina

Located right behind the University cafeteria, it is the only Residence of our Campus. With 52 single rooms and private bathrooms, and three common kitchens, the Residence is a very comfortable place to stay. The price includes breakfast, bed linen,

blankets, weekly room cleaning and Wi-Fi connection. There are also several common rooms to have the opportunity to meet local and other international students.

#### Contacts

Segreteria Operativa Piacenza  
EDUCatt  
Tel. +39 0523 62 11 11  
Fax: +39 0523 579416  
@: [reception.piacenza@educatt.org](mailto:reception.piacenza@educatt.org)  
> [educatt.unicatt.it/educatt-residenza-gasparini-il-collegio](http://educatt.unicatt.it/educatt-residenza-gasparini-il-collegio)

### Temporary Accommodation

#### Bed & Breakfast L'antica Torre

Str. La Motta Vecchia, 31  
29122 Montale (PC) - Italy  
Tel/Fax: +39 0523 615267  
Mobile: +39 392 3958926  
+39 348 4590725

#### Best Western Park Hotel

Strada Val Nure, 5/7  
29121 Piacenza - Italy  
Tel. +39 0523 712 600  
> [www.parkhotelpiacenza.it](http://www.parkhotelpiacenza.it)

#### Euro Hotel Piacenza

Via Cristoforo Colombo, 29/F  
29122 Piacenza - Italy  
Tel.: +39 0523 606 011  
> [www.eurohotelpiacenza.com](http://www.eurohotelpiacenza.com)

#### Hotel City Piacenza

on foot from University  
Via Emilia Parmense, 54  
29122 Piacenza - Italy  
Tel. +39 0523 579752  
> [www.hotelcitypc.it](http://www.hotelcitypc.it)



## In Italy

### Residency permit (Non-EU students)

If you are a non-European Student, you must go to a Post Office (see details below) within 8 days of your arrival in Italy (or any other Schengen country you've gone through preceding your arrival in Italy), in order to get the Yellow Kit (Residency Permit application forms) needed to get your Residency Permit. The Kit contains a series of forms you must duly complete and return to the Post Office together with the following documents:

- Photocopy of passport (all pages), VISA documentation and any letter issued and stamped by the Consulate (make additional photocopies)
- A certificate of enrolment issued by Cattolica
- Photocopy of health insurance coverage

### Post Offices in Piacenza

#### CAP 29121

- Piacenza centro - via Sant'Antonino, 40
- Piacenza 10 - Via Giuseppe Taverna, 269
- Piacenza 2 - Via Pietro Cella, 74

#### CAP 29122

- Piacenza 3 Via Colombo, 44
- Piacenza 4 Piazzale Medaglie d'Oro, 9

- Piacenza 6 Via Emilia Parmense, 24
- Piacenza 7 Via Trivioli, 6/8
- Piacenza 9 Via Conciliazione, 49

You will find all the information regarding the procedure and the status of your case file, by inserting your username and password written on the Post Office receipt.

› [www.portaleimmigrazione.it](http://www.portaleimmigrazione.it)

When you hand in all the documents, you will have to pay:

- € 30,46 for the electronic card
- € 30 for the shipment tax
- € 16 for the revenue stamp (marca da bollo)

For more information visit:

› [www.poliziadistato.it/articolo/225/](http://www.poliziadistato.it/articolo/225/)

The Post Office will give you a receipt. You must hand in the receipt to our International Office. Consequently, you will receive a letter from the Immigration Office giving you an appointment to get your Residency Permit (electronic format). On that date you will have to bring 4 original passport pictures to the Immigration Office.

Once you get your Residency Permit, make a copy and bring it to our International Office.

You can find all detailed information:

› [www.ucscinternational.it/life-](http://www.ucscinternational.it/life-)



[at-cattolica-2/life-in-piacenza-cremona/useful-information-about-piacenza-cremona](#)

Please remember to keep the provisional Residency Permit with you until you receive the original one.

## Codice fiscale

The Tax Code (Codice Fiscale) is an alphanumeric identity code that any resident must have. You will need it, for instance, to get a bus pass or if you want to rent an apartment. The code is free of charge and is issued by the Agenzia delle Entrate – Piacenza Office. You will need to bring your passport or identity card and a copy of your Visa if you are not an EU

student

› [www.comuni.it/servizi/codfisc](http://www.comuni.it/servizi/codfisc)  
For more information, please contact:  
Agenzia delle Entrate – Ufficio di Piacenza  
Via Modonesi, 16  
29122 Piacenza  
Tel. +39 0523601211

### Opening hours

Mondays and Thursdays  
8.45 - 12.45 and 14.30 - 16.30  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays  
8.45 - 12.45



## Piacenza campus services

### Chapel and Pastoral Centre

The Pastoral Centre is integral part of Cattolica life and is open to any student interested in taking part in its activities, including charity work. The main aim is to support the relations between the university educational culture and the Catholic faith. There are chaplains available to listen and talk to students in need of a guidance, thus making the Centre a place of prayer and education. Religious associations and groups of volunteers collaborate with the Pastoral Centre and give their own contribution.

› [www.unicatt.it/CentroPastorale/](http://www.unicatt.it/CentroPastorale/)

### Centre for conventions and meetings

The Campus offers a Centre for conventions and meetings, workshops and seminars, located inside the Campus.

› [piacenza.unicatt.it/2432.html](http://piacenza.unicatt.it/2432.html)

### Educatt service

Educatt is a non-profit foundation that offers many services to Cattolica students.

› [educatt.unicatt.it/index.html](http://educatt.unicatt.it/index.html)

### Meals

Students can have their meals at the University canteen, located in Collegio Sant'Isidoro, inside the Campus. The cafeteria seats 340 in two rooms with air-conditioning. Among the various dishes offered by the University cafeteria, you will have the opportunity to try the typical regional dishes of Emilia-Romagna.

#### Opening hours

- Mon. - Fri.: 12.10 – 14.00 and 19.00 - 19.45
- Sat.: 12.10 - 13.15

Booking for Saturdays lunch is compulsory within 19.00 of the day before

#### Price

- price with Educatt Student Card (which costs € 60/year): € 5.50
- price without Educatt Student Card: € 7.70
- Light meal: € 5.00
- Pasta only: € 2.50

### Library/study rooms

The Cattolica library was established in 1953 together with the School of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences. Each School has its own library.

There are currently 100,000 books (among them, over 2,800 FAO

publications since 1978) and 3,500 newspapers from all over the world.

The library has an online catalogue and an online database.

The library is open to the public. Students can also use the private study rooms to study alone or together with other students (silence is compulsory in the library, but conversation is allowed in the study rooms).

› [piacenza.unicatt.it/biblioteca/index.html](http://piacenza.unicatt.it/biblioteca/index.html)

### Sports centre

The Piacenza Campus of the Università Cattolica has several sports facilities.

The University Sports Centre 'Centro Polisportivo Universitario' opened recently, covers 8000 m2 and offers opportunity to play tennis, football, basketball, volleyball, handball, as well as weightlifting, and climbing (artificial wall with three climbs of levels of difficulty).

Thanks to the ASUP student association, Cattolica students can take part to sports competitions.

Access is granted on payment of an annual fee.

#### Opening hours

- Mon. - Sat.: 9.00-23.00

› [piacenza.unicatt.it/2777.html](http://piacenza.unicatt.it/2777.html)

For more information:

Mr Fausto Camozzi  
(ISEF instructor)  
Strada dell'Anselma, 7

29122 Piacenza  
Tel./Fax: +39 0523 594111  
Mobile: +39 339 6895230

### Student tools

Once regularly enrolled at Cattolica, School of Economics and Law, students will have to collect at the Secretary office the following tools:

- Student ID Number (numero di matricola)
- Libretto (Grade report booklet)
- Student Card

The Student ID Number is an identification code of six numbers. Each student is assigned a provisional password that enable first access to the Student Intranet and Personal Page (I-Catt) or the UC Point machines. Online services through I-Catt or UC Point include: printing of unofficial transcripts and certifications, registering for , checking of class schedules and exams, planning you semester study plan.

Upon accessing I-Catt for the first time with Student ID number and provisional password, students will be given a new username by e-mail and will be asked to select a personalized password, which will be the credentials used for any subsequent access.

Before graduation (sessione di laurea) you will have to return your libretto and student card to the student service (polo studenti).

By the end of October you will have to submit your Study Programme

(Piano di Studi; selection of courses for the semester) online, either via UC POINT or I-CATT:

- On I-Catt insert your Student Number and Password, click on "*Piano di Studi*" under "*Carriera Universitaria*", then click on "*Presentazione del Piano degli Studi per l'anno accademico in corso*" and follow the instructions.
- From UC Point select the "*Segreteria online*" service, insert your Student Number and Password, choose "*Piano di Studi*" from the list, then click on "*Modifica Piano Studi*" and follow the instructions.

The deadline for the registration of your Study Programme will be communicated by the Secretary Office on the I-Catt page and as a regular notice both on the webpage and inside the Campus.

It is your own responsibility to submit/modify you Study Programme within the given deadline.



# Living in Piacenza

## Public transportation

### Bus

Bus number 2 or 3/7 stop right in front of University.

### Price

- Single ticket: € 1,20
- One-day pass: € 3,50

Different kinds of seasonal tickets are also available:

- Multiple-User Pass (you must write the number of your ID card, passport or driving license on the ticket): 9 tickets - € 10
- Single-User Passes (you must hold a SETA Agenzia S.p.A. ID card, cost € 5):
  - one-month pass - € 28
  - 12-month pass - € 240

To purchase a SETA Agenzia S.p.A. ID card you should go to the Tempi Office in via Colombo 3 with the following:

- passport-size photograph
- tax code
- passport or ID card

### Bus station opening hours

from Monday to Friday 7.30 - 18.15  
Saturdays 7.30 - 13.45

For information on timetables and routes:

› [www.setaweb.it/azienda/index.php?azienda=pc](http://www.setaweb.it/azienda/index.php?azienda=pc)

### Trains

› [www.trenitalia.com/trenitalia.html](http://www.trenitalia.com/trenitalia.html)

## Discounts

Find interesting discounts for various services in town (including shops, cinemas, transports and banks) at the link below:

› [piacenza.unicatt.it/opportunita-convenzioni-attive](http://piacenza.unicatt.it/opportunita-convenzioni-attive)

## Piacenza on the web

### Piacenza for tourists

› [www.comune.piacenza.it/welcome?set\\_language=en](http://www.comune.piacenza.it/welcome?set_language=en)  
› [turismo.provincia.pc.it/](http://turismo.provincia.pc.it/)

### Piacenza for young people

› [www.comune.piacenza.it/giovani/index.asp](http://www.comune.piacenza.it/giovani/index.asp)

### Piacenza at night

› [www.piacenzanight.com](http://www.piacenzanight.com)

### Art, culture and music

› [www.piacenza-pc.it/default.htm](http://www.piacenza-pc.it/default.htm)

### Theatres

› [www.teatricomunali.piacenza.it/](http://www.teatricomunali.piacenza.it/)

### Piacenza local newspapers

› [www.liberta.it/asp/default.asp](http://www.liberta.it/asp/default.asp)  
› [www.ilpiacenza.it/](http://www.ilpiacenza.it/)  
› [www.piacenzasera.it/](http://www.piacenzasera.it/)



# Academic life

## Academic calendar

Our academic year is composed of two semesters. Each semester is divided in a class period and an examination period.

Intensive Italian Business Language Course: Aug 28 - Sept 8, 2017  
Pre-courses (NOT COMPULSORY): Sept 4 - Sept 8, 2017  
Fall semester starts 14/09/15: Sept 11, 2017  
Intermediate Examination Session\*: Oct 16 - 20, 2017  
Classes end (Fall semester): Nov 24, 2017  
Catch-up classes: Nov 29 - Dec 5, 2017  
Examination Session: Dec 11 - Dec 21, 2017  
Christmas Holidays: Dec. 23, 2016 - Jan. 6, 2018  
Examination Session (3 sessions): Jan 8 - Feb 2, 2018  
Spring semester starts: Feb 5, 2018  
Intermediate Examination Session\*: March 12 - 14, 2018  
Easter Holidays: March 29 - April 6, 2018  
Classes end (Spring semester): April 27, 2018  
Catch-up classes: April 30 - May 4, 2018  
Examinations session: May 7 - July 6, 2018  
Summer Holidays: July 7 - Aug 24, 2018  
Examination session: Aug 27 - Sept 7, 2018  
Graduation Ceremony: Dec. 21, 2018 (TBC)

\* (lessons suspended)



## Italian Language Courses

### Intensive Italian Business Language Course

In the context of the Double Degree Program in International Management, Cattolica offers an intensive Italian Business Language course at the beginning of the academic year 2017/18.

The course will run as follows:

- 30 contact hours (3 hours / day for 10 days, or 2 weeks)
- Period: the first two weeks of September, just before regular program classes start
- The course is meant for students who have reached an upper-intermediate level of proficiency in Italian (B2). The focus of the course will be to bring students to acquire common business language skills, through practical exercises such as oral presentations, employment interview, business briefs, etc.
- The program fee is € 150.

For Payment Details, Application Deadline and Course Program visit the webpage:

› [www.ucscinternational.it/student-services-at-cattolica/students-services-piacenza-cremona/italian-language-culture-course-in-piacenza-cremona](http://www.ucscinternational.it/student-services-at-cattolica/students-services-piacenza-cremona/italian-language-culture-course-in-piacenza-cremona)

### Italian Language and Culture Course

During each semester, Cattolica offers an Italian Language and Culture Course which costs € 200. At the

end of the course, which lasts about two months (Fall course: October-December; Spring course: February-April) you will have a final exam and you will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

For more information visit:

› [www.ucscinternational.it/student-services-at-cattolica/students-services-piacenza-cremona/italian-language-culture-course-in-piacenza-cremona](http://www.ucscinternational.it/student-services-at-cattolica/students-services-piacenza-cremona/italian-language-culture-course-in-piacenza-cremona)

## Orientation events

The Orientation events will take place on September, 7, 8, 23 2017 at Università Cattolica, Piacenza Campus. You will find more information about the schedule and registration procedure at the link

› [www.ucscinternational.it](http://www.ucscinternational.it) (Orientation - Piacenza-Cremona Campus).

We kindly ask you to confirm your attendance by writing an e-mail to: [ucsc.international-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:ucsc.international-pc@unicatt.it) within 15th July 2017. We strongly advise you to take part to the Welcome Day for all new Cattolica students organized by Ufficio Orientamento. The date will be soon online at [piacenza.unicatt.it](http://piacenza.unicatt.it)

## Taking exams at Cattolica

Students must take all of the exams in the Study Programme. In order to be eligible to register for

any exam, students must attend a certain percentage of class, which can vary from one course to the other.

After the class period, you will have the chance to choose the preferred examination session.

All the information pertaining to exam registration can be found at: › [piacenza.unicatt.it/facolta/economia](http://piacenza.unicatt.it/facolta/economia) (click on "INFORMAZIONI PER GLI STUDENTI" - section: ESAMI DI PROFITTO).

Students must choose one of the exams of the 3rd year of the School of Economics and Law, Piacenza-Cremona Campus, Bachelor Degree in Business Administration, academic year 2017/2018.

The International Office will schedule a meeting to explain you how to sign up for your final exams.

### The Italian Credits System (ECTS-CFU)

Every course/exam has a number of credits that you can generally find in brackets next to the name of the course/exam. Credits represent the amount the student is expected to study including the contact-hour load per week. Core curriculum courses/exams will generally have a higher credit value than electives. According to the ECTS - European Community Credit Transfer System, one Academic Year corresponds to 60 ECTS Credits. 1 ECTS Credit = 25 hours of work (including lessons,

seminars, practical activities, study hours,...). The ECTS System replaces the Italian Credits System expressed in "CFU". 1 ECTS = 1 CFU

### The Italian Grading System

The Italian grading system ranges from 18/30 to 30/30. The highest mark is 30/30 cum laude. All the exams under 18/30 are considered as "failed" and thus are not registered in the Libretto. The highest mark for Graduation is 110/110 cum laude.



## Study program

### 1st Year

Course	Credits	Semester	Code
Italian (intensive pre-course) <sup>[3]</sup>	0	I and II	
Introduction to Christology and Scriptures (Theology I) <sup>[1]</sup>	0	I and II	
Business Administration	7	I	SECS P07
Financial Accounting and Financial Statement Analysis	8	II	SECS P07
<b>Legal Principles</b>			
• Fundamentals of Private law	5	I	IUS 01
• Principles of Public law	5	II	IUS 09
<b>Marketing</b>			
• Strategic Marketing	5	I	SECS P08
• Operational Marketing	5	II	SECS P08
General Mathematics	8	I	SECS P06
Microeconomics	10	II	SECS P01
English	5	I and II	

### 2nd Year

Course	Credits	Semester	Code
Financial Statement Analysis, Planning and Control			
• Financial Statement Analysis (in English)	10	I	SECS P07
• Planning and Control			
Commercial Law	5	II	IUS 04
<b>Corporate Finance</b>			
• Capital budgeting	5	I	SECS P09
• Financing decisions	5	II	SECS P09
Macroeconomics	9	I	SECS P01

Business Organization	5	II	SECS P10
Statistics	8	I	SECS S01
Communication Skills	2		
Internship <sup>[2]</sup>	8	II	
Business English <sup>[2]</sup>	3	I	
Second language (French/Spanish/ German/Dutch) for more information:  <a href="http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-home-selda-area-matricole-triennali">http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-home-selda-area-matricole-triennali</a> \ "content" <a href="http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-home-selda-area-matricole-triennali#content">http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-home-selda-area-matricole-triennali#content</a>  <a href="http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-corsi-di-base-certificazioni-internazionali-riconosciute">http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-corsi-di-base-certificazioni-internazionali-riconosciute</a> \ "content" <a href="http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-corsi-di-base-certificazioni-internazionali-riconosciute#content">http://selda.unicatt.it/piacenza-corsi-di-base-certificazioni-internazionali-riconosciute#content</a>	2	I and II	

### 3rd Year

Course	Credits	Semester	Code
Italian (intensive-precourse) <sup>[3]</sup>	0		
Introduction to Ethics and Christian Ethics (Theology III)	0	I and II	
Labour Economics	5	II	SECS P02
International Law (in English)	10	II	IUS 04
Logistics and Supply Chain Management	5	I	SECS P08

Enterprise Information Systems	5	II	ING-INF 05
Economic Policy	10	I	SECS P02
Business Strategy	5	II	SECS P07
English for International Business	5	I	EAG587
Corporate Social Responsibility (in English)	5	I	SECS P07
HR Management or International Human Resource Management (in English)	5	II	SECS P10
Final Thesis/Internship report	5		

### 4th Year (subject to change)

Course	Credits	Semester	Code
Corporate strategy (in English)	5	I	SECS P07
Intercultural Management (in English)	5	I	SECS P10
Entrepreneurship and financing decisions	5	I	SECS P07
International Branding strategies	5	I	SECS P02
Electives (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● English for International Management <sup>[4]</sup></li> <li>● Financial Analysis <sup>[5]</sup></li> <li>● Performance Measurement and Incentives (in English) <sup>[5]</sup></li> <li>● Economic scenarios (in English) <sup>[5]</sup></li> </ul>	5 5 5 5	I I I I	SECS P09 SECS P07 SECS P07 SECS P07
Internship and Internship Report	30	II	

### Comments

<sup>[1]</sup> Approved with grade

<sup>[2]</sup> Approved, no grade

<sup>[3]</sup> Highly recommended to all DD incoming students (I and III year)

<sup>[4]</sup> Elective - not for English mother tongue

<sup>[5]</sup> Elective



## Foundation Knowledge Assessment Test

According to the Italian Ministry of Instruction, during the Fall semester, ALL students enrolled in the first year will be asked to take an evaluation test in order to assess their foundation knowledge.

It is NOT an admission test. In the case of a failed test, students will still be able to attend courses regularly and take the corresponding final exams.

Test results will be published on student's personal I-Catt page the following day, together with information of how to make-up for the foundation knowledge gaps identified through the test results.

## Bachelor Degree in Business Administration

After successfully passing all the exams listed in your Study Programme, students will receive their Bachelor Degree in Business Administration.

The Graduation Ceremony will take place in December 2018.

The procedures and deadlines to apply for graduation will be published at the following link:

› <http://progetti.unicatt.it/progetti-piacenza-piacenza-lauree-triennali-e-magistrale-a-ciclo-unico-economia-aziendale>

It is compulsory to attend the graduating ceremony in person. All students planning to enroll in the 4th academic year (which corresponds to the master in international management), will need to have graduated for the bachelor degree by the december 2018 session and no later.

During the Spring semester, the International Office will schedule an information session regarding the Graduation procedure.

All relevant information is available on the Blackboard platform:  
› [ilab.unicatt.it/ilab-blackboard-introduzione-a-blackboard](http://ilab.unicatt.it/ilab-blackboard-introduzione-a-blackboard).

**IMPORTANT: It is the student's responsibility to respect the procedure and deadlines for Graduation.**

There is a €100 fee for issuing and printing the original Degree Certificate (the STUDENT SERVICE, Polo Studenti) WILL CONFIRM FEE AMOUNT FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR).

### Certificates Request

Students can download self-declarations from their personal I-Catt account (Section: Segreteria Online). These certificates are written in Italian and acknowledged by the Italian public administration.

If you need an official Certificate you will have to fill in the Certification Request Form for Students or for Graduates available online at the

following links:

### Certification Request Form For Students

› [http://progetti.unicatt.it/progetti-piacenza-progetti-Segreteria\\_Mod\\_Certification\\_Request\\_Students.pdf](http://progetti.unicatt.it/progetti-piacenza-progetti-Segreteria_Mod_Certification_Request_Students.pdf)

### Certification Request Form For Graduates

› [http://progetti.unicatt.it/progetti-piacenza-progetti-Segreteria\\_Mod\\_Certification\\_Request\\_Graduates.pdf](http://progetti.unicatt.it/progetti-piacenza-progetti-Segreteria_Mod_Certification_Request_Graduates.pdf)

If you need the Certificate for an institution abroad, please tick the option "con firma autografa" (with authentic signature). Bring the request to the [Student Service, Polo Studenti](#), together with two revenue stamps of € 16 each. If you are abroad, send the request to [Student Service, Polo Studenti](#) together with two revenue stamps of € 16 each. No additional costs for the shipment will be required. Please indicate the mail address the documents must be sent to.

Please note that the DIPLOMA SUPPLEMENT is free of charge.

### Contacts

[Student Service, Polo Studenti](#)  
(The office is located next to the welcome desk, Cattolica main entrance)  
@: [gestione.carriera.studenti-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:gestione.carriera.studenti-pc@unicatt.it)

Via E. Parmense 84  
29122 Piacenza (PC)  
Tel.: +39 0523 599141  
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### Opening hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9-12  
Wednesdays 13.30-16.30

# Master in International Management M-Mint

## 4th Academic Year (60 CFU)

- Corporate Strategy\*
- Intercultural Management\*
- Strategia di branding internazionale
- Imprese e Scelte di Finanziamento
- Two electives:
  - English for International Management\*
  - Imprenditorialità
  - Analisi finanziaria
  - Performance Measurement and Incentives\*
  - Economic scenarios\*
- Stage/relazione finale

\*course taught in English

During the 4th Academic Year at Cattolica you will be enrolled in the Master in International Management

Admission, application and enrolment procedures

## Summer 2018

Admission – Register at the following link:

› [immatricolazioni.unicatt.it/iol/jsp/immaticola/start.jsp?RESPONSE\\_CONTAINER=RESPONSE\\_CONTAINER221711671&REQUEST\\_CONTAINER=REQUEST\\_CONTAINER153487654&](http://immatricolazioni.unicatt.it/iol/jsp/immaticola/start.jsp?RESPONSE_CONTAINER=RESPONSE_CONTAINER221711671&REQUEST_CONTAINER=REQUEST_CONTAINER153487654&)

You will get a new username and

password. These will be your new access data (the username and password of your Bachelor's Degree will be no longer valid).

## September 2018

Pre-enrolment - Bring to UFFICIO MASTER the following ORIGINAL documents within September 2018:

- Pre-enrolment application form, duly signed;
- 2 identical and recent passport-size pictures;
- Copy of your valid Passport or ID Card;
- Copy of your Codice Fiscale (Tax Code);
- CV (duly signed);
- Copy of your Residence Permit (for Non-EU students).

UFFICIO MASTER will give you a new Registration Number (MATICOLA).

## January 2019

Enrolment – After Graduation, students will have to download the application form and bring it (duly signed) to the UFFICIO MASTER within January 2018, before leaving for the fourth year internship.

Please note that the enrollment procedure will be accepted and valid only if you complete both the admission and the pre-enrollment steps.

## Certificates request

Students can download self-declarations from their personal I-Catt account (Section: Segreteria Online /Online Registrar). These certificates are written in Italian and acknowledged by the Italian public administration.

If you need an official Certificate you will have to fill in the Master Certificate Request (RICHIESTA CERTIFICATI MASTER) available at UFFICIO MASTER and bring/send it to [uff.master-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:uff.master-pc@unicatt.it). If you need the Certificate for an institution abroad, please tick the option "con firma autografa" (with authentic signature).

Costs (UFFICIO MASTER will send you the bank details accordingly):

- 2 revenue stamps of € 16 each
- € 10 (administration fees)
- € 5 (shipment)

Once Cattolica receives the payment, Ufficio Master will send the Certificate(s) first by e-mail and afterwards by registered mail.

## Contacts

Ufficio Master (in front of the photocopy shop)  
Monica Baucia and Barbara Vincini  
@: [uff.master-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:uff.master-pc@unicatt.it)  
Tel.: +39 0523 599134

## Opening hours

Monday – Friday 9.00 – 12.30 am

Many exams of the Master's are common with the 1st year of courses

of the MSc. in Business Management – Curriculum Global Business Management

Should you wish to stay on to get an additional degree, you would have the opportunity to enroll in the 2nd year of the MSc. in Business Management after completing your Double Degree Program.

Cattolica will in fact recognize 30 ECTS worth of your 4th Year (Master Mint) towards the MSc. You will be able to choose between two options:

## Option 1: Complete The Msc. In Piacenza

### Contacts

Prof. Emanuele Vendramini  
@: [emanuele.vendramini@unicatt.it](mailto:emanuele.vendramini@unicatt.it)

## Option 2 (Study Abroad Program)

Study one semester at one of the partner universities and the remaining time in Piacenza . All universities involved universities are IPBS partners. For more information check the following link:

› [ucscinternational.unicatt.it/ucsc-international-news-study-abroad-international-management-piacenza-campus-4067](http://ucscinternational.unicatt.it/ucsc-international-news-study-abroad-international-management-piacenza-campus-4067)

### Contacts

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## Cattolica Administrative fees and refunds

Please find below useful information about administrative fees and refunds at Università Cattolica, Piacenza Campus.

Secretary Office - Information about secretary services, administrative fees and refunds valid from November 2013	
Certificates for former/graduated students duly filled in and signed (for a maximum of 3 identical copies)	€ 10 + duty stamp if applicable
Copy of your Diploma	€ 100 (duty stamp included)
Copy of your Libretto	€ 50 first copy € 75 additional copies
Copy of your Student Card	€ 20
Official photocopies of your Study Plan and Course Programmes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● fee for Research</li> <li>● fee for each page (1-10)</li> <li>● fee for each page (from page 11)</li> </ul>	€ 10 € 0,20 € 0,10
Penalty fee for delay in delivering High School documents	€ 8 within 7 days € 15 more than 7 days
Penalty fee for delay in registering your Study Plan (within 7 days)	€ 60
Penalty fee for delay in paying university taxes	€ 25 within 30 days € 50 from 31 to 60 days € 75 over 60 days delay
Inquiry for Enrolment which requires the issue of the Approval for Admission by a board (withdrawal, transfer to another university, second degree, foreign Diploma)	€ 60
Internal programme change or transfer	€ 60
Certificate of withdrawal	€ 60

Issue of the Certificate of withdrawal in case of transfer to another university (after confirmation by the future university), if the student hasn't enrolled for the Academic Year 2015/2016: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● if delivered from 2nd to 30th November 2015</li> <li>● if delivered from 3rd December 2015</li> </ul>	€ 250 € 400
Issue of a new tuition instalment due to a student's mistake in the communication of the information regarding the family income.	€ 60
Deduction in case of refunds due to mistakes caused by the person who carries out the deposits	€ 60
Issue of the original Diploma (duty stamp included)	€ 100
Tax for taking up the studies after one year or more year of absence	€ 200 for each academic year + additional € 200 if the student wants to take exams during the unofficial session of the last academic year s/ he has attended

The above listed amounts are subject to change according to regional regulations.

### Contacts

Università Cattolica, Secretary Office - Piacenza Campus

Tel.: +39 0523.599141/148 -

@: [gestione.carriera.studenti-pc@unicatt.it](mailto:gestione.carriera.studenti-pc@unicatt.it)

Dear Double Degree student,

The programme you have decided to follow within the IPBS (International Partnership of Business Schools) network at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore is unique.

The Double Degree Programme is characterized both by great career opportunities and a network of international students coming from all over the globe: from ESB of Reutlingen (Germany), Puebla (Mexico), Reims (France), Boston and Raleigh (USA), Breda (The Netherlands), and Lancaster (UK).

We are called SMINT (International Management Students) and we are the official students union of the campus. We organize social events for Cattolica students, including the Integration weekend, running dinners, happy hours and parties to make your student life more enjoyable! We are waiting for you in Piacenza to welcome you in this sparkling town in order to enrich our group with your presence, your ideas and your creativity. We can be of assistance to you in many ways, with personal and works issues, or with your social or linguistic interests.

We wish you a wonderful academic year at Cattolica, full of success and new experiences.

For more information, you can contact us by writing to one of the e-mail addresses below. We will welcome you personally at the Orientation Events in September to start this Italian experience together!

**SMINT**  
**Studenti del Management Internazionale**

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