Università di Scienze Gastronomiche di Pollenzo
University of Gastronomic Sciences of Pollenzo

TWO – YEAR GRADUATE DEGREE IN FOOD INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT FOOD & PLANETARY HEALTH 2027/2028

GRADUATE DEGREE IN FOOD INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT ACADEMIC PREREQUISITES (SUA-CdS)

The Graduate Degree in Food Industry Management is proposed as a multidisciplinary course of study, focusing on the topics of gastronomic sciences derived from the perspective of sustainable products, processes and consumption innovation management.
The Graduate Degree is held regularly, with editions confirmed annually. Applicants for admission to the program will be evaluated on the basis of their admission dossier as well as the online analytical test.
The course of study is designed to take into account the actual knowledge that students possess, after having completed a bachelor's degree at an Italian or international university, and who are interested in completing a Graduate Degree in gastronomic sciences.

The admission requirements for students who have earned an academic degree at both Italian and non-Italian universities, are detailed below:

Students who have earned an academic degree at an Italian university
- Graduates holding a bachelor's degree in the following fields:

- L-4 – Industrial Design
- L-5 – Philosophy
- L-9 – Industrial Engineering
- L-10 - Humanities
- L-12 - Language Mediation
- L-14 - Legal services science
- L-15 - Tourism Science
- L-16 - Administration and organization science
- L-18 - Science of economics and business management
- L-20 - Communication Sciences
- L-25 - Agricultural and forestry science and technology
- L-26 - Food science and technology
- L-33 - Economics
- L-36 - Political science and international relations
- L-42 - History
- L-GASTR - Gastronomy Sciences, Cultures and Policies

as well as degree classes as indicated in Ministerial Decree DM August 4, 2000.

- graduates holding a single-cycle master's degree awarded within the LMG/01 class of Master's in Law.

Those who possess three-year Bachelor degrees (or equivalent) different from those indicated above, may also be admitted, pending approval by the Academic Council, provided they have obtained at least 40 credits (either at the Bachelor or Master level), of which:

- At least 15 credits in the scientific areas of economic, social and political sciences: SECS-P/01 - Political Economy; SECS-P/02 - Economic Policy; SECS-P/06 - Applied Economics; SECS-P/07 – Corporate Economics; SECS-P/08 - Corporate Economics and Management; SECS-P/10 - Corporate Organization; SECS-P / 13 – Merchandising; SPS/04 Political Science; SPS/06 – History of International Relations; SPS/07 - General Sociology; SPS /08 - Sociology of Cultural and Communication Processes; SPS/09 - Economic and Labor Sociology; SPS /10 – Regional and Environmental Sociology; M-GGR/02 Political and Economic Geography.

- the remaining 25 credits in the scientific areas listed below:

  - In the juridical area:
    - IUS / 01 - Private Law; IUS / 02 - Private Comparative Law; IUS / 03 - Agricultural Law; IUS / 04 - Commercial Law; IUS / 05 - Economic Law; IUS / 08 - Constitutional Law; IUS / 09 - Public Law; IUS /10 - Administrative Law; IUS / 12- Tax Law; IUS / 13 - International law; IUS/14 - European Union Law; IUS/18 - Roman Law and Ancient Laws;

  - In the historical and philosophical areas:
    - M-STO / 01 - Medieval History; M-STO / 02 - Modern History; M-STO / 04 - Contemporary History; M-DEA / 01 – Disciplines of Ethnoanthropology; M-FIL / 04 - Aesthetics; M-FIL / 05 - Philosophy and Theory of Language;

  - In the environmental sciences area:
    - BIO / 01 - General Botany; BIO / 03 - Environmental and Applied Botany; BIO / 04 - Plant Physiology; BIO / 05 - Zoology; BIO / 07 - Ecology; BIO / 19 – Microbiology; ICAR / 15 - Landscape Architecture.

Those in possession of other valid non-Italian degrees may still apply, pending approval by the competent bodies of the University.
All applicants must have English language proficiency at a B2 level.

International students who earned their degrees abroad

International applicants who have acquired a valid and recognized first-cycle degree (university level) are eligible for selection.
Students must hold a Bachelor's degree (first-cycle undergraduate degree) that is eligible and valid for entry into a second-cycle degree (Master of Science program).
The degree (Bachelor's degree/undergraduate program) obtained must have the following characteristics:

- 180 educational credits (ECTS);
- a duration of at least 3 years;
- equivalent to an Italian degree program;

- issued by a foreign university recognized by the educational system of the issuing country, enabling further study in a postgraduate program (Level II)

The competent bodies of the University reserve the right to assess the suitability of a candidate's qualifications, even if they are different from those indicated above.
All applicants must possess a B2 level of English language proficiency.

GRADUATE DEGREE IN FOOD & PLANETARY HEALTH ACADEMIC PREREQUISITES (SUA-CdS)

The Graduate Degree in Food and Planetary Health is a multidisciplinary course of study focused on gastronomic sciences from the perspective of nutrition, health and the environment, with a specific focus on Planetary Health and One Health.

Candidates for admission to the Graduate Degree programme will be assessed on the basis of their application dossier, consisting of documents provided by the candidate that allow their curriculum to be reconstructed. All candidates are required to have a B2 level of English, as defined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). A detailed description of the knowledge required for admission and the assessment methods will be provided in the Degree Programme Regulations.

The programme has been designed to take into account the knowledge already possessed by students from different degree programmes who are interested in pursuing a course of study focused on gastronomic sciences.

Students who have earned an academic degree at an Italian university
- Graduates holding a bachelor's degree from the following degree classes:

1. L-2 - Biotechnology
2. L-4 - Industrial Design
3. L-6 - Geography
4. L-5 - Philosophy
5. L-7 - Civil and Environmental Engineering
6. L-25 - Agricultural and Forestry Sciences and Technologies
7. L-13 - Biological Sciences
8. L-14 – Legal Services
9. L-14 R – Legal Services
10. L-15 - Tourism Sciences
11. L-26 - Food Science and Technology
12. L-37 - Social Sciences for Development, Cooperation and Peace
13. L-38 - Animal Science and Technology
14. L-GASTR - Gastronomy Science, Culture and Policy
15. L-40 - Sociology
16. L-36 - Political Science
17. LM-41 - Single-cycle Master's Degree in Medicine and Surgery

- graduates holding a single-cycle master's degree awarded within the LMG/01 - Class of Master's Degrees in Law.

Those in possession of other valid non-Italian degrees may still apply, pending approval by the competent bodies of the University. Those who possess three-year Bachelor degrees (or equivalent) different from those indicated above, may also be admitted, provided they have obtained at least 40 credits (either at the Bachelor or Master level), of which:

- At least 15 credits in the following scientific-disciplinary areas:

AGRI-01/A – Agricultural Economics; BIOS-02/A – Plant Physiology; BIOS-03/B – Anthropology; BIOS-05/A – Ecology; GEOS-03/B – Applied Geology; GEOS-04/B – Applied Geophysics; GEOS-04/C – Oceanography; GIUR-03/B – Agricultural and Food Law; GIUR-09/A – International Law; GIUR-10/A – European Union Law; GSPS-01/A – Political Philosophy; GSPS-04/B– History of International Relations; HIST-03/A – Contemporary History; MEDS-03/A – Microbiology and Clinical Microbiology; MEDS-08/C – Food Science and Applied Dietetic Techniques; HIST-01/A – Medieval History; HIST-02/A – Modern History; HIST-03/A – Contemporary History; SDEA-01/A – Demo-Ethno-Anthropological Disciplines; PHIL-02/A – Philosophy of Science; PHIL-04/A – Aesthetics; PHIL-04/B – Philosophy and Theory of Language; PHIL-02/A – Logic and Philosophy of Science; PHIL-02/B – History of Science and Technology; PHIL-03/A – Moral Philosophy;

- The remaining 25 credits in the scientific areas listed below:

Humanities, social sciences and law:
ECON-01/A – Political economy; GSPS-02/A – Political science; GSPS-05/A – General sociology; GSPS-06/A – Sociology of cultural and communication processes; GSPS-07/B – Sociology of Law and Deviance; GSPS-08/A – Sociology of Economic and Labour Processes; GSPS-08/B – Sociology of the Environment and Territory; GSPS-01/B – Political Science; GSPS-06/A – Sociology of Cultural and Communication Processes; GSPS-08/A – Sociology of economic and labour processes; GSPS-08/B– Sociology of the environment and territory; MEDS-02/C – History of medicine; GEOG-01/A – Geography; GEOG-01/B – Economic and political geography; GLOT-01/B– Teaching of modern languages.

Environmental sciences, natural sciences, and medical-veterinary sciences:
AGRI-01/A – Agricultural economics, food economics, and rural valuation; AGRI-02/B – Horticulture and floriculture; AGRI-02/A – Agronomy and herbaceous crops; AGRI-03/A – General arboriculture and tree crops; AGRI-04/A – Agricultural hydraulics and hydraulic-forestry systems; AGRI-04/B – Agricultural mechanics; AGRI-05/B – Plant pathology; AGRI-04/C – Rural construction and agroforestry; AGRI-06/B – Agricultural chemistry; AGRI-07/A – Food science and technology; AGRI-08/A – Agricultural microbiology; AGRI-09/A – General animal husbandry and genetic improvement; AGRI-09/B – Animal nutrition and feeding; AGRI-09/C – Special animal husbandry; AGRI-09/D – Animal husbandry; BIOS-01/A – General botany; BIOS-01/B – Systematic botany; BIOS-01/C – Environmental and applied botany; BIOS-03/A – Zoology; BIOS-07/A – Biochemistry; BIOS-15/A – Microbiology; GEOS-01/D – Mineral resources and mineralogical-petrographic applications for the environment and cultural heritage; GEOS-04/C – Oceanography, Meteorology and Climatology; IIND-07/B – Environmental Technical Physics; MEDS-24/B – General and Applied Hygiene; MVET-01/A – Veterinary Anatomy; MVET-02/A – General Pathology and Veterinary Pathological Anatomy;

MVET-02/B – Inspection of food of animal origin; MVET-03/B – Parasitology and parasitic diseases of animals and humans; PHYS-05/B – Physics of the Earth system, planets and climate; PHYS-06/A – Physics for life sciences, the environment and cultural heritage.

International applicants who have acquired a valid and recognized first-cycle degree (university level) are eligible for selection.
Students must hold a Bachelor's degree (first-cycle undergraduate degree) that must be eligible and valid for entry into a second-cycle degree (Master of Science program).

The degree (Bachelor's degree/undergraduate program) of origin must have the following characteristics:

- 180 educational credits (ECTS);
- a duration of at least 3 years;
- equivalent to an Italian degree program;
- issued by a foreign university recognized by the educational system of the issuing country, enabling further study in a postgraduate program (Level II)

The competent bodies of the University reserve the right to assess the suitability of the candidates' qualifications, even if they have partially different characteristics from the above.

REQUIREMENTS

Candidates needs to be in possession of, or in the process of obtaining a **three-year undergraduate degree**.

The following degree verification and legalization documents are accepted (with the issuing authority indicated in parentheses), depending on where the qualification was awarded:

- **Within Italy**: Self-certification of graduation and final grade (self-generated) or graduation certificate (Registrar's Office);
- **Within the EU, EEA, Turkey, and Switzerland**: Diploma Supplement (Registrar's Office);
- **Outside the EU, EEA, Turkey, and Switzerland**: Declaration of Value (Italian Consulate/Embassy), Statement of Comparability (ENIC-NARIC – CIMEA), Degree Verification (National Student Clearinghouse), or digitally authenticated transcripts (e.g., National Student Clearinghouse, GlobalSign, Transcripts Network).

A digital copy of the relevant document must be submitted to the Registrar's Office no later than the first day of the program.

- All non-EU candidates requiring a study visa must complete online pre-enrollment via **the Universitaly portal** (Step 6 – Start your online pre-enrollment application "Login") in order to apply for a visa through the relevant Italian diplomatic representation.
- Because consular appointments are limited, applicants are strongly advised to book an appointment with the relevant consulate or embassy even prior to formal admission, so that both pre-enrollment and the visa application process can be completed within the required timeframe. Students of all nationalities are eligible to apply.
- Detailed instructions are available in the **"Apply for a study visa and legalize academic titles"** section on **the International Student Start Point page of our website**. Applicants from Colombia and India should pay particular attention to the **"Special Cases"** section, as visa procedures in both countries have recently proven especially lengthy and complex.

IMPORTANT: candidates not yet in possession of their Bachelor degree, or rather, still in the process of graduating, will be enrolled conditionally in the Graduate Degree program, pending written proof of having obtained their Bachelor degree by the last exam session for the 2026/2027 academic year.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

For non-English mother tongue students an English language proficiency of at least level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is required.

Students who do not hold any language certifications will be required to hold an interview with an English language instructor of the University.

The following requirements are considered valid:

For non-European applicants who require a visa: Please note that while the University accepts the mentioned documents for admission purposes, you must verify with the relevant Consulate or Embassy

the validity of the documents required for visa issuance.

- university degree (or high school diploma) obtained in the English language;

  or

- one of the following international English language certifications:

Certification	Institution	Minimum score required
BEC Higher - Business English Certificate Higher	Cambridge Assessment English	160
BEC Vantage - Business English Certificate Vantage	Cambridge Assessment English	Grade B or 173
CAE - Certificate in Advanced English	Cambridge Assessment English	160
CPE - Certificate of Proficiency in English	Cambridge Assessment English	160
FCE - First Certificate in English	Cambridge Assessment English	Grade B or 173
IELTS - Academic International English Language Testing System	British Council — Cambridge English Language Assessment	6.5 and above with at least 6 in every section
TOEFL IBT * - Test of English as a Foreign Language – Internet-Based Test	(ETS) Educational Testing Service	72
Duolingo English Test (online)	Duolingo	110
Pearson Test of English Academic	Pearson	59
TOEIC	(ETS) Educational Testing Service	Listening: 400 Reading: 385 Speaking: 160 Writing: 150

HOW TO PRE-ENROLL

1) Register your personal data and create username and password, online through this link
2) Follow the entire Registration Process
3) At the end of the registration, please return to the main page and *Login*
4) Insert your username and password (defined during the registration process) and login into the Reserved Area
5) On the MENU select *Registrar Office – Pre-enrollment*
6) Choose the **Two – year graduate degree in Food Industry Management or Two – year graduate degree in Food & Planetary Health**

ADMISSION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

A maximum of 40 students will be admitted for the A.Y. 2027-2028.

The admission process is structured into three sessions. Candidates may choose the session to which they

wish to apply. Evaluation is based on the applicant's dossier, assessed on a scale from 0 to 100 points. A minimum score of 70/100 is required for admission.

The grade obtained from the dossier evaluation will be used to compile an admission ranking list for each session. Candidates will be admitted in descending order of their ranking, until the maximum number of available places for the academic year has been reached.

Candidates must provide for the dossier, the following documents:
1. Certificate of valid three-year Bachelor degree (or equivalent) with exams, grades, ECTS, Academic Discipline List (SSD), and the final grade, if achieved*****. Certificates must be in English or in Italian.
2. Personal CV in English (preferably in EU format).
3. Cover letter in English (approx. 300-400 words).

The following degree verification and legalization documents are accepted (with the issuing authority indicated in parentheses), depending on where the qualification was awarded:

- **Within Italy:** Self-certification of graduation and final grade (self-generated) or graduation certificate (Registrar's Office);

- **Within the EU, EEA, Turkey, and Switzerland:** Diploma Supplement (Registrar's Office) or Statement of Correspondence (CIMEA – ARDI database, where available);

- **Outside the EU, EEA, Turkey, and Switzerland:** Declaration of Value (Italian Consulate/Embassy), Statement of Comparability (ENIC-NARIC – CIMEA), Statement of Correspondence (CIMEA – ARDI database, where available), Degree Verification (National Student Clearinghouse), or digitally authenticated transcripts (e.g., National Student Clearinghouse, GlobalSign, Transcripts Network).

Important note for study visa applicants: While the University accepts all of the documents listed above for enrollment purposes, under the most recent Ministerial provisions, Italian diplomatic and consular missions are officially instructed to accept only a **Declaration of Value (DoV)**, a **CIMEA Statement of Comparability**, or a **CIMEA – ARDI Statement of Correspondence** for visa issuance.

Please note that because an ARDI Statement of Correspondence certifies comparability only, consulates may also require separate proof of authenticity (such as an Apostille, consular legalization, or a CIMEA Statement of Verification). In practice, however, some consulates still waive these requirements if the admitting university confirms that an alternative verification document is sufficient. Study visa applicants are therefore strongly advised to contact the Italian consulate or embassy with territorial jurisdiction over their place of residence to confirm which documentation is required for their visa application.

Candidates from UNISG Undergraduate Degree Programs must provide, for the dossier, the following documents:
1. Personal CV in English (preferably in EU format).
2. Cover letter in English (approx. 300-400 words).

Academic transcripts which will be provided directly by the Student Office.

For the dossier evaluation, the Examination Committee takes into consideration the following elements: the candidate's academic record, including the grades obtained in coursework and, where applicable, the final degree result; any study abroad experiences undertaken during the university program;

any additional training or educational paths pursued alongside the degree; and any work experience acquired.

Candidates who hold a Bachelor's degree obtained abroad may request an early decision on their admission application before the end of the session. In the event of non-admission, they may not resubmit the application in the next sessions. In the event of admission, they must confirm their intention to pre-enroll in accordance with the regulations.

ADMISSION SESSIONS AND IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Candidates can choose to apply in one of the admission sessions indicated below in the chart.

	1st Admission session	2nd Admission session	3rd Admission session
Deadline by which to register for the selection	09 March 2027	18 May 2027	19 July 2027
Results availability	16 March 2027	25 May 2027	26 July 2027
Deadline for payment of deposit to guarantee the enrollment	Within a maximum of one week after the outcome is announced		

SCHOLARSHIPS

- UNISG offers scholarships that consist of a partial reduction of, or full exemption from, the tuition fee. Each scholarship is usually available in one or more specific admission sessions. Candidates interested in applying for a UNISG scholarship must therefore submit their application during a session in which that scholarship is offered.
- All admitted students enrolled or which have obtained a UNISG Undergraduate Degree Program (Laurea Triennale) during the current or the previous academic year will receive a University Community Scholarship, which consists of a tuition fee reduction. This scholarship is awarded by the Student Office after the enrolment confirmation and cannot be combined with any other UNISG scholarship.
- Scholarships are awarded for the first year of the program and may be renewed for the second year, contingent upon the student's fulfillment of the academic requirements outlined in the scholarship announcement.
- Candidates are strongly encouraged to consult the announcements regarding scholarships on the UNISG website (Scholarships & Financial Aid page).

PRE-ENROLLMENT AND ENROLLMENT – HOW TO DO

Candidates will be notified on the result availability by email according to the above-mentioned deadlines and they will be able to view their result directly on their webpage by logging in.

To confirm acceptance of admission, admitted candidates can proceed paying a deposit of 2,000 euros within a maximum of one week after the outcome is available online.

Admitted candidates who do not proceed with the payment of the deposit by the abovementioned deadlines, may be considered as withdrawn.

Admitted candidates may complete their enrollment by paying the first part of the university fee within the deadlines indicated (as per the University fee payment procedures available on www.unisg.it).

HOW TO PAY THE DEPOSIT
Bank transfer University of Gastronomic Sciences BANK: UNICREDIT BANCA ACCOUNT NO.: 000041352940 IBAN: IT 48 V 02008 46041 000041352940 BIC/SWIFT: UNCRITM1R34 REFERENCE: Candidate's last name, Admission Fee LM_2027/2028 **OR** University of Gastronomic Sciences BANK: BANCA INTESA SANPAOLO - FIL. MILANO ACCOUNT NO.: 100000101172 IBAN: IT 05 K 03069 09606 100000101172 BIC/SWIFT: BCITITMM REFERENCE: Candidate's last name, Admission Fee LM _2027/2028 **PAGO PA** To utilize the PagoPA service, students must access their personal portal online, selecting the "University Fee Payment Schedule" page under the "Registrar" section from the Menu. Commissions may be applied to the amounts due, depending on the payment method selected. **The PagoPA service is available only to students who are already enrolled and are paying their installments; it is not available for the payment of the deposit for students enrolling in their first year.** **IN THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE** Directly by credit card using the contactless payment system (by appointment only, to be requested via email at amministrazione@unisg.it). **REMOTELY VIA LINK** By requesting a secure, dedicated payment link from the Administration Office (amministrazione@unisg.it) to complete your transaction online safely.

CANDIDATES CONDITIONALLY ENROLLED

Admitted candidates who have not yet obtained their three-year undergraduate degree will be **conditionally enrolled,** pending the verification of the student **self-certification or Bachelor diploma**, which must be obtained from the university of origin prior to the last exam session for the 2026/2027 academic year preceding that of enrolment. The candidate has to send the obtained degree to

segreteria@unisg.it and update the online profile.

CANDIDATES ADMITTED TO OR ENROLLED IN OTHER UNIVERSITIES

Candidates admitted to or enrolled in academic programs at other universities must complete the online application process and submit the appropriate form.

Candidates enrolled in academic programs at other universities who have already passed certain examinations may apply for the recognition of these examination grades by submitting the appropriate application **no later than December 31, 2027**.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR NON-EU CANDIDATES:

- All non-EU candidates requiring a study visa must complete online pre-enrollment via **the Universitaly portal** (Step 6 – Start your online pre-enrollment application "Login") in order to apply for a visa through the relevant Italian diplomatic representation.

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