

**University Corridors for Refugees 4.0
(Cameroon, Nigeria and Niger - 2022/2024)**

Call for applications for 2 study grants and welcome services for refugee students
registering for Second cycle degree programmes taught in English at the luav -
University of Venice, for the Academic Years 2022-24

APPLICATIONS DEADLINE: May 31st 2022

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ART.1 Subject, amount and duration.

The general objective of the University Corridors for Refugees - UNICORE 4.0 project is to promote the right to higher education for refugees through study corridors from Cameroon, Nigeria and Niger to Italy. The project is jointly promoted by a consortium of partners:

- >United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- >Caritas Italiana
- >Diaconia Valdese
- >Engim Veneto
- >Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)
- >The Italian Universities better specified in the Cooperation Agreement (see Art. 9) The benefits are intended for holders of International Protection living in Cameroon, Nigeria and Niger and admitted in a programme among those better specified in Article 13. UNICORE 4.0 benefits are assigned for A.Y. 2022-23 and A.Y. 2022-24. Maintenance merit requirements and additional renewals conditions are listed in Art. 6.

1.1 Local Partners of the Project

luav - University of Venice is supported in the project by one local partners: Caritas Venezia, Diaconia Valdese and Engim Veneto. Caritas and Diaconia will provide welcome service, accommodation, Italian language training and a pocket-money.

1.2 Benefits and supports offered

Benefits included in the scholarship to all the winners will be the following:

- Full coverage of the expenses to be faced before the arrival in Italy: flight tickets, Visa and preparation of supporting documents (Caritas Venezia)
- € 5,000 scholarship per year of study. Payments will be divided in installments and subject to the achievement of merit requirements. Winners will be provided with more information upon enrollment. (luav)
- Free accommodation in one of our student dorms in a shared room from September/October 2022 (Caritas Venezia)
- Enrollment and renewal in National Health Service (Diaconia)
- A personal Pc (CARITAS), a monthly pocket-money and a Sim card (Diaconia)
- Psychological support offered (Diaconia)

- An Italian family will host the student during vacation period and weekends (Caritas Venezia)
- Local senior students will tutor the winners in the integration in the student life and will assist for any problem meet during the studies (Iuav);
- Job Placement support (Engim Veneto and Iuav).

ART.2 Incompatibility.

The UNICORE 4.0 study grants cannot be combined with:

- study grants issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI);
- CRUI grants for beneficiaries of international protection;
- Regional scholarship offered by Veneto region (DSU);

ART.3 Admission requirements.

Application is open exclusively to candidates who:

1. Are residing in Cameroon, Nigeria and Niger and have been recognized the refugee status in those countries in collaboration with UNHCR;
2. Hold a qualification valid for admission to the chosen Second Cycle Degree Programme;
3. Have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0 according to the national tertiary education grading system;
4. The degree must not be obtained in or after 2017 and no later than 31st March 2022;
5. Meet the specific admission requirements of the Second cycle degree program of interest;
6. Have never been enrolled before in a degree programs at any of the Partner University;
7. Proficiency in English language is required.

ART.4 Selection criteria and application documents

Art.4.1 Selection criteria and evaluation committee

Students are selected on the basis of merit requirements.

The evaluation will be carried out by a Committee of Experts designated by the Rector.

Art.4.2 Application documents

Students are required to submit the following documentation:

MANDATORY DOCUMENTS:

1. The application form attached to this call (see Attachment A)
2. A copy of their currently valid Refugee Identity card issued in collaboration with UNHCR;
3. A certificate confirming the qualification required for admission to the chosen degree programme;
4. Transcripts of exams passed and relative marks;
5. Any relevant and additional document required by the specific programmes chosen;

NOT MANDATORY DOCUMENTS:

6. A motivation letter (maximum two A4 pages);
7. Letter/s of references written by supervisor/advisor supporting the application;
8. Applicants are warmly recommended to shoot a short CV where they introduce themselves and their motivations.

Art.4.3 Deadlines and modalities

Applications are opened until the 31st of May at 12:00 pm (noon, UTC+1). Candidates are required to send all the documents to: study@iuav.it specifying in the object:

CALL UNICORE 4.0.

Applications that are not properly filled in or complete with all the required documentation will not be accepted.

Students are allowed to apply for maximum two programmes.

Art.5 Selection process

The selection process is divided into two steps:

- Step 1: evaluation of the documentation
- Step 2: on-line interview

Art.5.1 Step 1 Evaluation of the documentation

The Committee of Experts will evaluate the documentation according to the following criteria:

- Academic background and GPA (score: 0-15)
- Evaluation of CV: professional experience and personal skills (score: 0-15)
- Coherence between previous studies and selected Second Cycle Degree programme (score: 0-10)

Candidates receiving a score of less than 25 will not be admitted to step 2 of the selection process.

Candidates admitted to Step 2 will be notified by email by 12th June 2022.

Art.5.2 Step 2 On-line Interview

Candidates admitted to step 2 will be interviewed by the Committee of Expert, who will evaluate their technical skills, competence on the subject as well as their mastering of the English language. Interviews will be graded on a scale of 40 points.

Interviews will take place starting from 21st June 2022 to 10th July 2022 and will be held on-line. Candidates will be notified by email about the date and time of the interview. Candidates are requested to come to the interview with the Refugee Identity Card used during the on-line application. A third party must be present during the beginning of the interview for the identification of the candidate.

Art.5.3 Establishment and approval of the final ranking list

Candidates who will score less than 50/80 points will not be included in the final ranking.

Candidate rankings are drawn up by the Committee of Experts summing up the results of the two phases and are approved by Rectoral Decree. The ranking is organised in decreasing order of points.

The two available seats are awarded on a gender balance ratio and the committee will elaborate two different rankings according to the gender of the candidates. Only in the case that the list of eligible candidates does not include representatives of the two genders, the seats can be awarded to two representatives of the same gender.

For equal points, preference will be given to the younger candidate.

Winners will be notified by email by 15th July 2022.

Art.5.4 Acceptance.

In order to confirm the scholarship candidates must reply to the University communication accepting the scholarship by 10 days from the reception. Failing to provide a feedback by the given deadline will cause the loss of the benefits. By accepting the scholarship, the student fully accepts without reserve UNICORE 4.0 project support and financial benefits at the conditions established in this call for applications. With the acceptance students also confirm under their own full responsibility that they do not fall within any of the conditions of incompatibility established in article 2 of this call for applications.

Art.5.5 Ranking scroll and assignment of available seats

In case a candidate winner of the scholarship will officially withdraw by 25th July 2022, the scholarship will be allocated to the next eligible candidate in the ranking. In case of vacant seats, the luav - University of Venice reserves the right for searching for eligible candidates from ranking of other University partner.

ART.6 Renewal requirements

Art.6.1 Renewal requirements

In order to renew the scholarship students are required to earn 30 university credits (CFU) by the 10th of August 2023.

Art.6.2 Additional Renewals

Students are required to graduate by the last session available for their matriculation year, e.g. April 2025.

Students who do not succeed to graduate within April 2025 can request a 6 months extension of the scholarship, at the condition to have earned at least 80 university credits by 31st March 2025.

ART.7 Withdrawal from the course

Candidates who will withdraw from the program during their studies will lose all the benefits of the scholarship.

ART.8 Information notice concerning data processing

In compliance with European data protection policy, the personal data collected are processed by the Iuav - University of Venice only for the purpose of this call.

Personal data collected are also processed in compliance with UNHCR Data Protection Policy available at <https://www.refworld.org/docid/55643c1d4.html> and its guidance available at <https://www.refworld.org/docid/5b360f4d4.html>

The candidates will also give consent to publish the refugee ID card number or the ration number card of *PoR* in the list of admitted candidates and the final ranking list both on the website: www.unhcr.it/universitycorridors and on:

www.iuav.it/international

The Administration reserves the right to verify the truth of the information provided without prejudice to the penal sanctions of article 76 of Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, in the event of fraudulent information being discovered as a result of such verification the applicant will forfeit the right to the study grant.

Art.9 List of the Second Cycle Degree participating in the call for Iuav - University of Venice

By clicking on the name of the program you will get access to all the information about, including study plan and entry requirements.

[Master degree in Architecture](#) (taught in English)

[Master degree in Urban Planning for Transition](#) (taught in English)

Art. 10 Final provisions

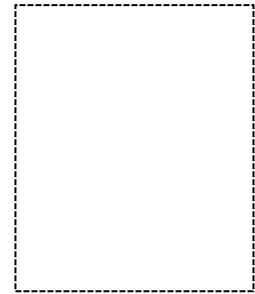
Additionally, this call might be suspended or withdrawn in accordance with the developments of the legal and epidemiological framework of the health emergency known as “Coronavirus” or “SARS-CoV-19”.

In compliance with the provisions of Law no. 241/1990, art.5, the person in charge of the procedure at the present call is Lucia Basile, Head of the Educational and students service Area. All requests about this call must be addressed to study@iuav.it.

UNICORE 4.0 APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name and Surname:.....
Date and place of birth:.....
Address:
Mobile phone:.....
E-mail:.....
refugee ID card number.....
OR ration number card of *PoR*:.....



PROGRAMMES OF INTEREST (MAX TWO CHOICES):

- A. _____
- B. _____

HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR OTHER UNIVERSITIES?

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Summarize in about 5 lines a presentation of professional profile, future professional goals and your motivation.

WORK EXPERIENCE

From.... To....
Job role
Company name
Describe responsibility and what do you do in this role

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EDUCATION

Degree

Date - University, Faculty/Department, Degree course: thesis title and score

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) should be stated in the CV, and GPA documentation should be included in the application (including each semester GPA and cumulative GPA)

High school

Date - name of high school and type of diploma - score

Other formative experiences

From.... To....: School name, town, course title

LANGUAGES

Levels of knowledge: M: mother tongue, A: elementary, B: intermediate, C: advanced

LANGUAGE	WRITTEN LEVEL	SPOKEN LEVEL

Language certifications:

Please list here any language certification you have gained. Scanned copy of the certification must be attached to the application

COMPUTER SKILLS

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PERSONAL SKILLS

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HOBBIES

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I authorize the processing of personal data contained in my curriculum vitae according to art. 13 of Legislative Decree 196/2003 and art. 13 GDPR (EU Regulation 2016/679) for the sole purpose of personnel research and selection.

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*I hereby declare to accept without reserve all the terms and condition specify in the **UNICORE 4.0 Call for applications for 2 study grants and welcome services for refugee students registering for Second cycle degree programmes taught in English at the luav - University of Venice, for the Academic Year 2022-23.***

I also declare to promptly inform the University about any change in the provided data.

Place, Date and Signature
