



Almo Collegio Borromeo

University College of merit since 1561

Announcement of a selection for study places for the academic year 2026/2027 RESERVED FOR MASTER'S DEGREE STUDENTS AND IN THE FOURTH YEAR OF SINGLE-CYCLE COURSES

01 Introduction

The Almo Collegio Borromeo, a university college of merit recognized and accredited by the Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR), has made **5 places available for students who enroll in the first year of a master's degree or master's degree 'plus' or in the fourth year of single-cycle courses** (Law, Building Engineering-Architecture, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technology, Medicine and Surgery, Dentistry and Prosthodontics) **at the University of Pavia, in the academic year 2026/2027.**

Places are awarded by selection based on qualifications and tests. The Board of Directors will establish the ranking of the suitable candidates and will award the available study places among them, with possibly more than the number indicated above. Maintaining this place is subject to annual confirmation, or revocation, in compliance with the requirements of merit and the conditions laid out by the College regulations and the hospitality contract.

Collegio Borromeo participates in the IUSS, Scuola Universitaria Superiore di Pavia: participation in the ordinary courses of the School is linked to a specific call for places. Students of the ordinary courses are required to be students of the Colleges as indicated in the IUSS call. The place conferred by the College is not bound to the admission to the ordinary courses of the IUSS.

Consistent with the project's founder, San Carlo Borromeo, the College presents itself as a place for human and cultural development, offering students, in addition to hospitality, numerous opportunities for qualification and in-depth study, foreign exchanges, tutoring and post-graduate orientation on a personalized educational plan - drawn up according to the DM 672 and 673/2016 - linked to non-formal learning to be carried out in the academic year. Collegio Borromeo is a member of the Colleges of Merit National Conference, created by the Ministry as support organization for the national system of Colleges.

Admission requirements

Candidates are eligible for the selection, regardless of their citizenship, who:

- hold a qualification that gives access to the University Degree Courses, with a mark of at least 80/100 (or equivalent);
- are less than 26 years old in the year 2026;
- have no criminal convictions or criminal proceedings in progress;
- at the submission of the admission application, or by the end of October 2026, have taken all the exams included in the three-year study plan, with an average grade for each year of not less than 27/30 (and each exam with a grade not lower than 24/30 only one exam with a grade between 21/30 and 23/30 can be admitted provided that the annual average is not less than 27/30) and have completed the three-year degree (or undertake to achieve it by 31 December 2026).

- hold, or undertake to obtain by 31 October 2026, a certification of proficiency in a foreign language (other than their mother tongue): English (minimum CEFR level C1) or another foreign language (minimum CEFR level A2).

The following candidates are not eligible to apply:

- candidates who have already been students at Collegio Borromeo in previous academic years;
- candidates who, in the 2024/2025 or 2025/2026 academic year, are already enrolled in a Master's degree programme belonging to the same degree class for which they are applying, or who are already enrolled in the fourth year of the single-cycle Master's degree programme for which they are applying. All admissions are conditional.

Annual contribution and economic benefits

The annual fee is € 13,500 for the entire opening period of the Collegio.

For each winning student, who does not hold scholarships from other public or private bodies (with the exception of IUSS and EDiSU grants), the College grants financial benefits designed to reduce the annual ordinary contribution based on the ISEE 2026 indicator relative to the student's family unit (in the case of separated / divorced parents or candidates with residence outside the family housing unit, the family to consider is that of the family of origin). **For ISEE indicators lower than**

€ 32,000 the place is granted free of charge. For ISEE indicators greater than or equal to € 32,000, the discount is calculated relative to the ISEE indicator (the table of contributions and subsidies is attached to the notice and available on the website www.collegioborromeo.it).

For ISEE indicators over € 80,000 and for those who do not submit an ISEE declaration, there are no discounts.

The annual contribution is divided into 3 installments. Applicants awarded a place and granted study awards are required to apply to EDiSU of Pavia for the relevant scholarships.

Applicants admitted to the IUSS Ordinary Courses who are also awarded a place at Collegio Borromeo will be granted a €5,000 study award by IUSS.

Applicants admitted to the IUSS Ordinary Courses whose ISEE-based annual tuition fee is less than €5,000 will pay the applicable fee and, in order to contribute towards the partial coverage of the College's residential costs, will be required to pay a percentage, as determined by the Board of Directors, of the difference between the tuition fee and the IUSS study award.

In order to contribute towards the partial coverage of the costs incurred by the College, students are required to pay a percentage, as determined by the Board of Directors, of any scholarships awarded by university bodies or other financial contributions received during the academic year.

The tuition fee will be adjusted annually in accordance with the ISTAT index.

The Board of Directors may grant additional benefits up to offering a place free of charge at the request of the student due to special economic circumstances of the family.

Unlawful resolution of compliance with the merit and discipline regulations of the College, the code of ethics, compliance with the hospitality contract and the personalized educational plan may be revoked by the Board of Directors for

breaches of the regulations in force.

The hospitality contract will keep into consideration a possible economic benefit, due to potential closures for emergency.

04 Study Awards

The College, through legacies, agreements with Institutions, Associations, different philanthropic activities, can assign study contributions for its own students who have distinguished themselves in particular areas of research and study.

For the winners of places enrolled in the first year of a Master's degrees, the following pre-tax study prizes can be assigned, which, unless otherwise specified, are valid only for the academic year 2026/27 and **are assigned according to effective compliance with the merit and discipline regulations, the code of ethics, the hospitality contract and the personalized educational plan:**

- **1 study awards of €1.000,00**, kindly offered by the Alumni of the Collegio Borromeo, is reserved to the first student;
- In memory of the **Alumnus Ferrario Vittorino**, a study award of € 1,500

reserved for the first winner of the undergraduate course in Chemistry or secondarily in Law, Pharmacy, CTF, Medicine and Surgery in this precise order;

- Thanks to the contribution of the **Order of Engineers of the Province of Pavia** a study award of €1,500 reserved for the first classified enrolled in the Graduate Courses in Engineering;

The study awards referred to above may not be combined with other scholarships and may not be awarded to applicants admitted to the IUSS Ordinary Courses who are also granted a tuition-free place at the College (ISEE below €32,000). Every year students may access **several scholarships** related to academic studies and personal research, international mobility, traineeship, foreign language certifications, thesis, participation to Master degrees and summer/winter school.

05 Services offered

The annual contribution includes the following services (from September 2026 to August 2027 excluding closure for Christmas, Easter and summer holidays):

- **residential:** single rooms with bathroom or shared bathroom (some rooms have air conditioning); utilities and ordinary and extraordinary maintenance included; cleaning and weekly hygienization and periodic sanification of individual and common spaces; laundry for personal items (for a fee, coin-operated washer-dryer); full board (7/7) in the open period excluding national and local holidays (refectory service for breakfast, lunch and dinner or alternatively at the request of the student, for some specific degree

courses, it is possible to reimburse the costs incurred for the university canteen); concierge and guardian 24h (7/7); chapel; study rooms, conference room, meeting rooms; library (with possibility of book loan), historical archive (subject to specific regulations), newspaper library; computer rooms with printers and photocopiers (with a paid print card); gym, soccer field, basketball, tennis, soccer field); music room (with pianos); recreation rooms, TV rooms; gardens and park; bicycle parking.

- **Educational:** cultural in-depth activities, through interdisciplinary courses and courses recognized by the University of Pavia; thematic workshops of national and international character; integrative interdisciplinary courses aimed at

acquiring transversal skills; music programmes; individual orientation interviews with the management staff and with industry professionals; tutoring activities on the university course and university exams with internal students (junior tutors), professors, graduate students (senior tutors); language courses aimed at obtaining certifications; orientation to Erasmus exchange programs and internationalization programs

(summer/winter school and conferences); orientation and introduction to the world of work through individual interviews and group activities (internship and internship opportunities, company visits, meetings with professionals); opportunities for discussion and sharing with other students, the management staff, former students, also through community activities such as sports teams for intercollegiate tournaments, musical activities, choir and orchestra.

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Procedure and development of the selection

The selection consists of an **evaluation of the qualifications presented** (evaluated in 60 points) and in an **oral test** (evaluated in 20 points). The Commission for the evaluation of qualifications is appointed by the Board of Administration of Collegio Borromeo and is composed of university professors and the Rector of the College.

The selection test will be online. The candidate will be asked to use a proper

equipment in order to set an audio and video connection with the Commission (laptop with microphone and webcam, tablet, smartphone, etc.). Technical instructions will be published on the official website of the Collegio **www.collegioborromeo.it**.

Candidates must attend all the tests with a **valid identity document**.

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Evaluation of qualifications

Qualifications evaluated and the relative scores are the following:

- reference letter: max **5 points**
- motivational letter to assess the personality of the candidate: max **10 points**
- curriculum vitae: max **5 points**

- degree thesis or thesis project if not yet achieved: max **30 points**
- number and mathematical average of the exams passed during the three-year university course and degree mark (if already achieved): max **10 points**

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Oral test

Candidates who have obtained a mark of at least 45/60 in the assessment of qualifications are admitted to the oral test.

The oral test consist of an interview with the Commission to ascertain the education and level of maturity of the candidate, the skills possessed, also through the possible presentation of his/her thesis and to assess the aptitude to community life, the personality and the propensity to participate in the College's activities.

The Commission for Oral Examinations is appointed by the Board of Directors of Collegio Borromeo and is composed of university professors and the Rector of the College.

The test will take place starting from **the 31st of August 2026** according to a calendar that will be published in the Collegio's Official Journal (**www.collegioborromeo.it**) by the 29th September 2026.

Ranking list for admission to the College

The Board of Directors will add the score obtained in the oral test to the score obtained by the candidate in the evaluation of qualifications and will formulate the ranking that will be published on the website of Collegio Borromeo by **Monday 7th September 2026**.

Only the winners will be notified of the outcome of the competition by telephone or e-mail.

Only candidates who obtain an overall rating of more than 60/80 will be eligible to obtain a place in the College.

Application for admission and deadlines

The application form is available on the College website www.collegioborromeo.it until noon on Friday 28th August 2026.

The selection Secretary is available for assistance: tel. 0382.395507; e.mail concorso@collegioborromeo.it.

Candidates must provide online their personal data, their family details (in the case of separated / divorced parents or candidates with residence outside the family home, the family unit is that of the family of origin), the degree held, any participation in the selection for student places in ordinary IUSS courses and the degree course. Those intending to take advantage of the financial benefits must report the ISEE indicator of the family unit updated to 2026.

With their online application candidates must upload:

- a digital color photo (or a passport-sized photograph);
- copy of identity card (front/rear);
- copy of tax code / health card;
- motivational letter, in which the candidate explains their own study interests, motivations and potential for cultural and professional development (max 1,500 words);
- curriculum vitae (written in European format) with particular reference to international activities, foreign language certifications, sports activities, etc.;
- number of exams taken and mathematical average of the marks;

- certification issued by the university secretary or by the AFAM secretary acquiring the exams taken and the discussion of the thesis (or letter of commitment to discuss the thesis by December 31, 2026).
- digital copy of the thesis or, if not completed, thesis project; for candidates in Law: a paper of no more than 5,000 words on a topic of the candidate's choice, pertaining to constitutional, private, commercial, international, or administrative law; for other candidates in single-cycle master's degrees, the paper of no more than 5,000 words must relate to a topic of the candidate's choice from previous years' studies;
- certification of knowledge of a foreign language other than one's mother tongue: (minimum CEFR A2);
- for those wishing to take advantage of an economic subsidy, an ISEE declaration of the family updated on 2026 for benefits for the right to university study;
- reference letter, to be drawn up by a person indicated by the candidate, complete with relevant contact details;
- request to sustain the oral exam in English.

Any requests for special accommodations for candidates with disabilities or diagnosed Specific Learning Disorders (SLD) must be communicated.

Pursuant to DPR 445/2000 during the oral test, at the time of identification, candidates will confirm the declarations made online by signing the application.

Checks on the documentation presented

Collegio Borromeo reserves the right (even after the nomination of the winners) to exercise a thorough check on the requirements indicated in the application and on the declarations produced, and will carry out, through any means at its disposal, the inquiries it deems appropriate, including asking the Fiscal authorities for

information and assessments Taxation, the State Financial Administration, the Municipalities and the land registry offices. The lack of the requisites and the non-truthfulness of any declarations made will result in exclusion from the selection and loss of the place.

Acceptance of the place

By Tuesday 10th September 2026, at 10.00 am, the winners of college places must communicate in writing via e-mail a declaration of acceptance or non-acceptance of their place.

The Administration may - on a discretionary basis - consider the failure to communicate within the prescribed terms as a refusal. Successful applicants for places on the ordinary courses IUSS for the two-year cycle must submit a copy of the certificate of enrollment.

On acceptance, all formal and economic requirements of the place, including the payment of the confirmation deposit of € 500.00 (non-refundable if the place is cancelled) must be fulfilled.

Only for applicants participating in the IUSS two-year programme selection process, the deposit will be refunded if they withdraw from the place at the College as a result of not being admitted to the IUSS Ordinary Courses.

Subsequently, the assignees of the place must sign the hospitality contract (which

must be countersigned by the cohabiting parents) in which they accept the economic conditions, the rules and regulations in force of the College sharing the Christian inspiration that characterizes them, the ethical code, the organizational model, the personalized educational plan linked to “non-formal” learning as indicated in the Legislative Decree 13/2013, to be carried out during the academic year of stay.

The entry into the College will take place **from 27th September.**

Rooms are assigned by the Rector.

The first installment, if due and deducted from the deposit, must be paid within the timeframe indicated in the hospitality contract.

In case of cancellations, a subsequent call will be made in order of ranking: the winners will have to send the declaration of acceptance or non-acceptance within 24 hours of the communication being received from the Administration.

Admission to the IUSS

Participation in the selection for admission to the first year of the second level two-year course of ordinary courses of the IUSS Scuola Universitaria Superiore in Pavia is regulated by a specific announcement available at www.iusspavia.it

Candidates will access it following a public selection and based on a specific and independent ranking issued by the School. Places are assigned by virtue of a special agreement between Collegio Borromeo and IUSS.

In compliance with the regulation referred to in the European Regulations n. 2016- 679 and Legislative Decree n. 196-2003, the Almo Collegio Borromeo informs that the processing of the personal data requested in relation to participation in this announcement is based on principles of correctness, lawfulness, transparency and protection of privacy. Therefore, pursuant to the aforementioned legislation, we inform you that:

- the purpose of the processing of personal data supplied is strictly and necessarily directed at verifying the regulatory criteria for participation in the selection, for reconfirming the position in the College and for taking advantage of the provision of services and activities offered in relation to the Internal Regulations of the College and for the management of the procedures related to the educational activities of the Colleges of Merit, accredited by MIUR;
- the method of processing personal data is carried out by means of electronic or automated means for the aforementioned purposes, in compliance with the provisions of Legislative Decree n. 196-2003 and to the EU Regulation n. 2016-679, and will include all the operations or series of operations envisaged by art. 4, paragraph 1, lett. a) of the aforementioned Legislative Decree no. 196-2003;
- all personal data processed is kept and placed with the server manager, which is a third party company that adopts very high levels of security regarding the custody and storage of personal data;

- the nature of the provision of personal data for the purposes indicated therein is mandatory, since any refusal would not allow the Data Controller to collect the data of the Student interested in being part of the collegial community;
- the use of electronic tools is managed exclusively by personnel specifically appointed by the Data Controller the data will be stored on computer media;
- for the purposes of the historical memory of the College, all the data relating to the student entering the collegiate community will be kept in the historical Archives of the Almo Collegio Borromeo.

The communication of personal data relating to the processing in question, for the purposes indicated in this statement, are not the object of dissemination or disclosure external communication to the College, except MUR, CINECA, IUSS and in the cases provided for by the Law. The scope of data dissemination will be strictly limited to the execution of the assignment conferred by the Data Controller to the appointed persons. Personal data can therefore be known exclusively by the Data Processor and by the personnel in charge of processing, in the context of their respective functions and duties in accordance with the instructions received, only to achieve the specific purposes indicated in this information notice.

The Rector of the Almo Collegio Borromeo is responsible for the competition procedure.

Pavia, June 2026

