



Almo Collegio Borromeo

University College of merit since 1561

Announcement of a selection for study places for the academic year 2026/2027

RESERVED FOR STUDENTS ENTERING THE SECOND YEAR OF BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES OR SINGLE-CYCLE MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES

01 Introduction

The Almo Collegio Borromeo, a university college of merit recognized and accredited by the Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR), has made 4 places for students enrolled in the second year of a Bachelor Degree or a single-cycle Master Degree within the relevant academic areas corresponding to the degree programme in which the applicant intends to enrol, according to the following classification:

- **Humanities**, including degree programmes in Literature, Philosophy, and Languages;
- **Social Sciences**, including degree programmes in Economics, Political Science and Communication, and Law;
- **Science and Technology**, including degree programmes in Engineering (including Bioengineering and Biotechnology), Artificial Intelligence, and Mathematical, Physical, Chemical and Natural Sciences;
- **Biomedical Sciences**, including degree programmes in Pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technology (CTF), Medicine and Surgery, Dentistry and Dental Prosthetics, Medicine & Surgery, Biological Sciences, Sport Sciences, and Psychological Sciences.

Places are awarded through a selection process based on qualifications and examinations.

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.

The admissions selection to Collegio Borromeo falls - according to Law 240/10 - within the qualifications for the considered in the rankings for the awarding of grants from the merit fund established by the Ministry of Education, University and Research.

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, foreign exchanges, tutoring and on a personalized educational plan - drawn up according to the DM 672 and 673/2016. The Collegio Borromeo is a member of the **Colleges of Merit National Conference**, created by the Ministry .

02 Admission requirements

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

- intend to enroll for the academic year 2026/27 to the second year of a degree course at the University of Pavia with headquarters in Pavia;
- have obtained a final upper secondary school diploma grade of at least 80/100 (or equivalent);
- are less than 24 years old in the year 2026;
- have no criminal convictions or criminal proceedings in progress;
- Candidates must have taken, at the time of submitting the application or otherwise by the end of October 2026

(December 2026 for degree students in Medicine and Surgery), all the exams included in the study plan, with an average 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). Students enrolled in the Medicine and Surgery degree programme who have requested that the examinations taken during the open semester be excluded from the calculation of their grade average (DM No. 1115/2025) shall not take them into account for the purposes of the criteria set out above. All admissions are conditional.

03 Annual contribution and economic benefits

The annual fee is € 13,500 for the entire opening period of the Collegio. For each winning student, the College grants financial benefits designed to reduce the annual ordinary contribution based on the ISEE 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 reduction is calculated relative to the ISEE indicator** (the table of contributions and subsidies is attached to the notice and available on 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.

The winners of college places are required to submit an application to the

EDiSU of Pavia for the related scholarships. In order to contribute to the partial coverage of the expenses incurred by the Collegio, the student is required to pay a percentage, defined by the Board of Directors, of any scholarships awarded by university institutions or other contributions obtained during the academic year.

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

The Board of Directors at the request of the student for special economic conditions of the household may confer additional facilities. Facilities are tied to compliance with the Collegio's rules of merit and discipline, code of ethics, and compliance with

the hospitality contract and personalized training plan; they may be revoked by the Board of Directors for infractions of applicable regulations. The hospitality contract will take into account any financial loss associated with emergency closures.

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.

Some students may benefit of the incentives recognized by INPS. You can check on www.inps.it;

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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, 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.

06 Procedure and development of the selection

The admissions competition consists of:

- **two remote oral tests** (each worth a maximum of 30 points);
- **oral interview with the College board** (worth a maximum of 40 points).

The admissions committee, identified by the Board of Directors, may carry out part of its work through subcommittees. Decisions are made collectively.

08 Oral tests and interview

The oral examinations will cover the two subjects selected by the candidate. The first subject must be chosen from among those relevant to the academic area for which the candidate is applying, according to the following list:

For the Humanities and Social Sciences areas, the relevant subjects are:

- Italian
- Latin / Greek
- Philosophy
- History

For the Biomedical Sciences and Science and Technology areas, the relevant subjects are:

- Mathematics
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology

The second subject may be freely chosen by the candidate from among all the subjects offered, regardless of the academic area for which the candidate is applying. The oral exam will consist of a discussion aimed at assessing the candidate's preparation. The exams will take place starting Monday, August 31, 2026, according to the schedule published on the College website by August 29, 2026.

The oral exams will be conducted online on the Zoom platform. Technical instructions for the exams will be published on the websites www.collegioborromeo.it

The exam syllabus for the exams is attached to this announcement and is available on the website www.collegioborromeo.it

Each exam is worth a maximum of 30 points.

The oral interview with the College Board will evaluate the cover letter and the qualifications presented.

The interviews will take place concurrently with the oral examinations.

09 Ranking list for admission to the College

Only candidates who pass the oral tests and the interviews with an overall score of at least 60 points will be admitted to the eligibility ranking. The ranking will be published on the Collegio Borromeo website by Tuesday,

September 8, 2026.

Only the winners of each ranking will be notified of the results of the competition by telephone or email.

10 Application for admission and deadlines

The application form is available on the College website www.collegioborromeo.it until 4 p.m. on Friday 28th August 2026. The admission office 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 educational qualifications held with the year of graduation and the grade obtained 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 (passport-sized);
- copy of identity card (front/rear);
- copy of tax code / health card;

- motivational letter, in which the candidate explains own study interests, motivations and potential for cultural and professional development (max 1,500 words);
- any other qualifications considered useful for an evaluation of the candidate (eg certificates of foreign language knowledge, certificates of participation in study periods abroad, certificates of further study courses, certificates of participation in national assessments / olympics, sports certificates, etc.);

Candidates enrolled must indicate and attach, in addition to the above:

- number of exams taken and mathematical average of the marks;
- certification issued by the university secretary showing the grades obtained for exams taken at the time of submitting the application (on plain paper);
- certification issued by the university secretary proving the current study plan (on plain paper).

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

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

12 Acceptance of the place

By Thursday 22th September 2026, at 10 a.m., the winners of college places of each ranking 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.

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 unless in special cases of rejection of a place at the university of Pavia) must be fulfilled. 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 673/2016, to be carried out during the academic year of stay. The entry into the College will take place **from September 27th 2026**.

Rooms are assigned by the Rector.

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

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.

14 Information on the processing of personal data

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 the irrespective 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

