

UNIVERSITY OF BERGAMO



Intercultural Studies in Languages and Literatures

Master's Degree Program (LM-37)

Department of Foreign Languages,
Literatures and Cultures

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WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF ISLLI?

This MA program aims to provide **the cultural, literary, and linguistic skills** required in a variety of professional areas, such as teaching, translation, and the organization and promotion of cultural events.

It allows students to develop their competence in **one or two languages** and in **two literatures**, and to specialize in the fields of **literary, philological, historical and translation studies, teaching methodologies** and **digital humanities**.



WHAT ARE THE PROFESSIONAL PROSPECTS OF ISLLI?

Students who receive the ISLLI MA degree have a wide range of employment opportunities both in Italy and abroad.



Students with an ISLLI MA can become:

- Teachers
- Translators
- Consultants in the fields of cultural and linguistic activities
- Editors of texts in various fields (culture, literature, international cooperation, multimedia communication, business)
- Furthermore, this MA allows you to apply for PhD and other postgraduate study programs both in Italy and abroad



THE COURSE

Flexible Study Plan

Except for the foreign language and literature courses, which are taught in their respective languages, the study plan can be entirely in English or in Italian.

What languages?

Students have to choose one (or two) **language(s)** from:

English

French

German

Russian

Spanish



What literatures?

Students will specialize in **two** of the **following literatures**:

English
Anglo-American
French
German
Russian
Spanish
Hispanic-American



MULTILINGUALISM

The ISLLI MA program values multilingualism.

English, French, German, Russian, Spanish, Anglo-American and Hispanic-American languages and literatures are always taught in their respective languages.

Other courses are in Italian or in English.



WHAT COURSES ARE TAUGHT?

First year:

1. Foreign Literature A I
2. Foreign Literature B I
3. Foreign Language I
4. Historical Linguistics (EN) /
Language Teaching
Methodologies (IT)
5. History (IT/EN)
6. Philology (IT) / Textual criticism
(EN)

Second year:

1. Foreign Literature A II
2. Foreign Literature B II
3. Foreign Language II
4. Italian Literature (IT) / Literary
Translation (IT) / Foreign Language II
5. Literary Criticism (IT) / Comparative
Literature (EN)
6. Digital Humanities



WORKSHOPS

The program organizes some workshops that students can attend in their first and/or second year:

- **workshop in literary translation (IT)** - The translations produced under the teacher's supervision may be then published in books or in journals
- **workshop in teaching methodologies of modern languages (IT)**, meant to develop some skills in *Task-Based Language Teaching* in the multilingual context
- **workshop about the manuscripts of European literatures in the Middle Ages (IT)**, meant to offer a direct approach to the oldest evidence of vernacular written word in Western Europe
- **workshop on elements of Western Culture (EN)**, meant to illustrate the meaning(s) of specific concepts which are common in the Western Culture



INTERNSHIPS

The program offers a rich range of internships both in Italy and abroad.

Internships are possible both in the 1st and/or the 2nd year of attendance.

Internship projects can be carried out in a variety of workplaces, from schools to translation companies, from Italian and foreign cultural centers to film festivals, from libraries to diplomatic missions.



INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

We encourage students to participate in international exchanges, thanks to the numerous agreements already established with prestigious **European Universities** (Erasmus Network) and **non-EU Universities**.



INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

Dual Degree with Ruhr-Universität of **Bochum**
(Germany):

Students admitted to attend their second year in Bochum, with a scholarship, also obtain an MA degree in Comparative Literary Studies.



INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

Dual Degree with Universidad Autónoma de **Santo Domingo** (Dominican Republic):

Students admitted to attend their second year in Santo Domingo, with a scholarship, also obtain a five-year Bachelor's Degree in Letters or in Modern Languages, depending on the chosen literatures in Bergamo.



INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

Post-graduate certificate in Communicating for Professional Success, **Fairleigh Dickinson University** (New Jersey) USA:

Students admitted to attend one semester at the Fairleigh Dickinson University will get ECTS and a certificate in Communicating for Professional Success.



PROGRAM STRENGTHS

- Multilingualism
- Interdisciplinarity and interculturality
- Flexibility of study plan
- Productive relationships with local stakeholders and international research centers
- Excellence of teaching and research quality
- Location in a beautiful and culturally rich town connected with the world thanks to its airport and to the two airports in Milano.



WHAT ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS?

Applicants must have a BA degree in which they acquired a number of relevant credits in each of two different languages and literatures.

After pre-enrollement, all candidates are interviewed online, according to procedures that will be illustrated in the next slides.

We invite all students to consult the website - www.unibg.it/LS-ISLLI - to find out the dates of enrollments and interviews.



ADMISSION PROCEDURE

Preevaluation Calls:

Prospective students can apply:

- from November 7th, 2023 to January 15th, 2024 (I call)
- from January 1st, 2024, to January 31st, 2024 (II call)

Online admission interview:

- from January 31st 2024 to February 28th, 2024 (I call)
- from February 16th, 2024, to March 27th, 2024 (II call)

Ranking publication:

- from February 28th, 2024, to March 31st, 2024 (I call)
- from March 27th, 2024, to April 30th, 2024 (II call)



SCHOLARSHIPS

University of Bergamo supports students through scholarships, international mobility contributions, graduation awards and special contributions.

<https://en.unibg.it/study/enrollment/foreign-students-join-us/fees-grants-and-scholarships>

Notices for open rankings can be found on <https://en.unibg.it/life-at-unibg/students-office/scholarships>

Applications can be made online: for any other information please contact directly the Right to Education Service.



TAXES

- All students must pay a fee of **€ 156,00 (Regional tax and stamp duty)**
- The amount of comprehensive contribution is based on:
 - Tax paying range according to **ISEEU parificato** (a tool to measure the economic and financial situation of students)
 - Full time or part time attendance
- Foreign students for the issuing of the ISEEU "parificato" must present to a **CAF** (tax assistance center) chosen by the University the appropriate documentation issued by the competent authorities of the Country in which the income is produced and translated into Italian by the Italian diplomatic authorities having jurisdiction on the territory.
- All the certifications requested by 31 December 2023 will be acquired automatically from the CAF by university.



OTHER USEFUL SERVICES

Student Office

IT and language laboratories

Press center

Sport University center

Canteen

Libraries

Study rooms



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WHERE?

ISLLI lectures are held in Città Alta



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