

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DESK EXCHANGE FACT SHEET 2020-21



Bocconi University lies in the heart of Milan, a cosmopolitan and modern city in the north of Italy. Considered one of Europe's leading educational institutions and consistently well ranked, Bocconi offers programs in Economics, Management, Finance, Politics & Policy Analysis, Data Science and Law.

### EXCHANGE SEMESTER TIMELINE

|  | FALL                             | SPRING                        |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Exchange students online nomination*   | early March - early May          | mid-September - mid October   |
| Online application for:                | mid May - late May               | late October - early November |
| - Housing                              |                                  |                               |
| - Italian Language Crash Course        |                                  |                               |
| - Italian Follow-Up Course             |                                  |                               |
| Online course selection                | late August                      | mid January                   |
| Add/drop period                        | mid September                    | mid February                  |
| Italian Language Crash course teaching | late August - early September    | late January - early February |
| Italian Follow-Up course teaching      | late September - late November   | late February - mid April     |
| Lecture period                         | early September - early December | early February - mid May      |
| Exam period                            | December                         | May                           |
|  | January - February               | June - July                   |
| Earliest Departure Date**              | late December                    | end of May                    |
| Transcripts available                  | early February                   | mid July                      |

\* Partner universities can nominate students for both semesters during this period.

\*\*The earliest date by which one official exam date for each course is scheduled. Students may take exams at Bocconi only during the official examination sessions. We strongly recommend that departures are not planned before this date.

The Academic Calendar, usually published in April every year, is available at the following link: [www.ir.unibocconi.eu/calendar](http://www.ir.unibocconi.eu/calendar)

### NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students must be nominated online by their home university first. Bocconi will contact partner institutions providing a **personalized** nomination link.

Once nominated, students must complete an online application and upload the following **documents**:

- most updated university transcript
- CV (resume)
- headshot photo
- passport data page

Students can download the official **Bocconi acceptance letter** upon completion of the online application.



## ACADEMICS

Bocconi offers a wide range of courses, taught both in **Italian** and **English**.

**Course catalogue:** [www.ir.unibocconi.eu/coe](http://www.ir.unibocconi.eu/coe)

**Course selection:** carried out online before arrival with the possibility to change courses during the "add/drop period", after classes have started

**Course load:** from **min. 2** up to **max. 5** courses per term

**General rules:** courses are assigned on a first-come-first-served basis. Bocconi cannot guarantee enrollment in any specific course. Undergraduate students can select undergraduate level courses from all Departments. Graduate and Law students can access the whole educational offer

**Class attendance:** as a general rule attendance is not strictly mandatory. Students are strongly encouraged to discuss attendance requirements with lecturers

**Credit system:** ECTS equivalent

**Exams:** exams must be sat on official dates and at Milan Bocconi premises only

**Grading:** grades are given on a scale of 30ths (30/30) with 18/30 being the minimum passing grade

**Transcripts:** a digital pdf document is emailed to the partner school and to the students. Hard copies can be mailed if required

**Academic advising:** Academic Advisors are available to help exchange students build their study plan and to provide guidance with any academic related matters



**Expected arrival date:** students should arrive on campus in time to attend the **Orientation Day** or, at the latest, before classes begin. Late arrivals should be notified in advance.

## Living costs

**Housing:** between 500 (shared bedroom in private apartments) and 900€ per month

### Food:

- Italian breakfast: 2-3€ (espresso, coffee or cappuccino + croissant)
- one main course at the university canteen: approx. 5€
- lunch at cafes: 10€
- pizza dinner: 15-30€
- dinner at a restaurant: 30-50€

**Transportation:** the youth monthly pass costs 22€ for students up to 26 years of age and 39€ for students older than 26

**Bocconi Gym:** 100€ for 5 months (exchange students rate) + a 25€ annual subscription

## HOUSING

**University Housing:** places are limited and assigned on a first-come-first-served basis. Carefully read the "How to apply" section available at [www.ir.unibocconi.eu/housingisd](http://www.ir.unibocconi.eu/housingisd)

If interested, students are required to apply for housing during the online application for the exchange program. A security deposit is needed for the application to be processed

**Private Housing:** students are responsible for securing their own accommodation

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

**Visa:** Prior to their arrival in Italy, **non-EU students** must apply and obtain a **multiple entry study visa**. Students have to submit their application well in advance since it takes some time for the visa to be issued. Please contact the Italian Consulate of reference: <http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

**Permit of stay:** **non-EU students** will be required to apply for the Permit of Stay within 8 working days from their arrival in Italy

### Health & security:

Bocconi does not require international students to have health insurance to complete enrollment in the exchange program.

**Non-EU students** must have health insurance coverage with international validity while studying in Italy in order to be approved for the permit of stay.

**EU students** are required to have the European Health Insurance Card or a similar private insurance policy with international validity to benefit from health service coverage.

Bocconi has partnered with **International SOS** to offer medical, safety and security advice to students 24/7. International SOS is not an insurance company and does not replace any personal insurance.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DESK

The **International Student Desk (ISD)** is the office dedicated to incoming exchange students at Bocconi.

The ISD team offers a series of tailor-made services throughout the semester to ensure students make the most of their time at Bocconi.

### Welcome and Orientation Activities

The ISD office organizes a series of **social events** and **orientation activities** at the beginning of each semester to help students get used to the new environment:

- Orientation Day
- Permit of stay counseling sessions (for non-EU students)
- Welcome Desk
- Campus Tours and Milan Guided Tours
- Leisure Activities

### Italian Language Courses

The ISD organizes optional courses in order to help exchange students get familiar with Italian.

**Italian Language Crash Course:** an **intensive** course scheduled before the beginning of Bocconi classes. Levels from beginner up to advanced.

**Italian Language Follow-Up Course:** scheduled throughout the **semester**. Levels from pre-elementary to intermediate.

Attendance is mandatory: students enrolled in the Crash Course should arrive on campus by the start date of the course.

Further information at: [www.ir.unibocconi.eu/itacourse](http://www.ir.unibocconi.eu/itacourse)

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