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Nextalia

Call for Applications for the Awarding of a Scholarship to Prospective Students of Bachelor's Degree Programmes in the Economics Area – Academic Year 2026/2027

1. Subject Matter of the Competition

Thanks to funding from **Fondazione Nextalia ETS**, as approved by the Luiss Executive Committee on 25 February 2026**,** Luiss University announces a competition for the awarding of a three-year scholarship earmarked for students who will be admitted to the first year of one of the following bachelor degree programmes in the 2026/2027 academic year:

- Management and Artificial Intelligence
- Economics and Business
- Business Administration
- Economia e Management

The main purpose of the Nextalia ETS foundation – promoted by Nextalia SGR S.p.A., a platform dedicated to investments in private markets – is to support able and deserving students in their studies, including with a view to preventing academic drop-out and educational poverty.

2. Amount of the Scholarship

The scholarship consists of **full waiver** of the University's annual tuition fee and **free provision of board and lodging**. The student is responsible for paying statutory taxes and the graduation charge.

Board and lodging includes:

1. the allocation of a bed at one of the University's halls of residence for a period of 10 months, approximately from September to June, for each year of the scholarship and in any case ending at the time of the earliest graduation session open to the student (July 2029);
2. the free use of the University's canteen twice a day (lunch and dinner), with no substitute catering service during periods when the canteen is closed.

Any costs not explicitly detailed in this call for applications are to be borne by the student.

The scholarship has a duration of three consecutive years, subject to confirmation as set out in Article 6 of this call for applications. The benefit cannot be extended if the student exceeds the standard duration of the programme (***fuori corso***).

Should the scholarship holder request to stay in the accommodation beyond the earliest graduation session open to the student, they will be required to pay the entire cost of the accommodation in accordance with the directions given by the Campus Services. This concession will be granted until the last day of the month in which the degree is awarded and, in any case, no later than the first graduation session of the first year for which the student is enrolled off track (July 2030).

Services provided free of charge, if not actually used, cannot be monetised.

3. Eligibility Criteria

The competition is open to students who are admitted to Luiss University in the 2026/2027 academic on the basis of the Admission Test passed during the first session or during the 2025 Summer School and who **hold an ISEEU means test certificate valid for the purposes of obtaining aid for university studies, with a value of no higher than € 55.000,00**.

4. Application Procedure

Applications for the scholarship competition must be submitted via the online form **by 12:00 noon (Italian time) on 9 April 2026**. Students awaiting the outcome of their admission tests may also apply.

The application form must be accompanied by a copy of the ISEEU means test certificate (Indicatore della Situazione Economica Equivalente per l'Università), **valid as at the deadline** for the submission of applications and calculated in accordance with current legislation on aid for university studies.
Applications that attach a DSU declaration (dichiarazione sostitutiva unica) instead of an ISEEU certificate will not be taken into consideration.
Upon submission of the application online, candidates will receive confirmation of the sending of the application to the e-mail address that they have provided. If the confirmation e-mail is not received, candidates should contact the Financial Aid Office at financialaid@luiss.it
Only complete applications actually received by the deadline will be considered. Luiss University disclaims any liability in relation to applications that are not received due to reasons attributable to third parties.

5. Criteria for Awarding the Scholarship

The scholarship will be awarded in accordance with the "Eligibility Criteria" specified in Article 3, on the basis of a ranking determined by the score obtained in the admission test.

In the event of a tie, preference will be accorded to the student with the lowest ISEEU means test value calculated for the purposes of obtaining aid for university studies.

Before proceeding to award the scholarship, the Nextalia Foundation reserves the right to invite the top three ranked candidates to one or more interviews (either in person or online). The purpose of these interviews is to verify eligibility and assess the candidates' transferable skills (soft skills) acquired during their secondary education.

Interviews will be conducted by a Selection Committee composed of two representatives from the Nextalia Foundation and one Luiss representative.

Following the interviews, a maximum of 25 additional points may be added to the admission test score. These points will be awarded by the Nextalia representatives based on the following criteria:

- Motivation (5 points);
- Resilience and the ability to approach challenges with determination (5 points);
- Communication and interpersonal skills (5 points);
- Problem-solving (the ability to analyse, address, and successfully resolve problematic situations) (5 points);
- Commitment to voluntary or charitable activities and/or involvement in the third sector, whether completed or ongoing (5 points).

The scores assigned during the interviews will be communicated by the Nextalia Foundation to Luiss and will be incorporated into the final ranking list to determine the candidates' definitive placement.

The Committee reserves the right, at its sole discretion, not to award the scholarship following the interview if a candidate is deemed unsuitable. In such cases, the Committee may invite the next eligible candidates in the ranking order.
Should no suitable candidates be identified, the application period will be reopened to allow participation from students admitted during the second session of the Admission Test (May 2026).

Based on the final and binding decision of the Committee, the outcome will be made available in each candidate's personal web area.

6. Scholarship Renewal

The scholarship may be renewed for the entire standard duration of the degree programme on condition that the recipient student, by the end of the summer exam session of each year (July), has earned at least 70% of the ECTS credits required under their study plan for graduation purposes and also has a weighted average grade of not less than 27/30.
The end of the summer session is set annually by the University and does not include the months of August and September.

7. Incompatibility

The aid envisaged by this competition is incompatible with other total or partial tuition fee waivers or scholarships held for any reason whatsoever for the same academic year, except for those awarded by Italian or foreign institutions designed to support, through periods abroad, a student's education for the academic years covered by this competition. A student who is simultaneously a recipient of other financial aid must communicate that they are opting for this scholarship.

Should the student participate in an international mobility programme while remaining the holder of a scholarship during the period of study abroad, the student will not be able to benefit from the exemption if the host university does not have a mutual relationship with Luiss University. Moreover, the student will not be able to request the monetisation of the services offered free of charge. Therefore, all expenses inherent in participation in the mobility programme will have to be borne by the student.

8. Revocation

The scholarships of this competition will be revoked upon the occurrence of any one of the following:

- the student fails to enrol in one of the Luiss Bachelor Degree Programmes indicated in Article 1, within the deadlines set for a.y. 2026/2027;
- the student enrols as a repeat (***ripetente***) or off-track (***fuori corso***) student;
- the student withdraws from the University (***rinuncia***);
- the student transfers to a different degree programme, not included in one of the programmes indicated in Article 1;
- the student transfers to another university;
- the student no longer fulfils the requirements necessary for renewal, as specified in Article 6 above;
- the student fails to comply with the following Luiss codes: "Code of Ethics" and "Code of Conduct for the prevention and combating of discrimination as well as moral and sexual Harassment".

If any of the above conditions occur, after consulting with the Nextalia Foundation, the scholarship will be awarded to the next student in order of ranking who meets the requirements.

9. Contact Office

Any requests for further information can be addressed to the Financial Aid Office by e-mailing financialaid@luiss.it

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