

## Progetto Mediterraneo a.y. 2022/2023

### A collaboration between Luiss University, Fondazione Terzo Pilastro – Internazionale and The Malta Trust Foundation.

In 2017 Luiss University and Fondazione Terzo Pilastro – Internazionale launched Progetto Mediterraneo, a programme of scholarships for disadvantaged students and refugees from the Mediterranean region.

Progetto Mediterraneo aims to help disadvantaged students coming from vulnerable communities from various Mediterranean countries, by giving them access to Bachelor's and Master's Degree courses provided entirely in English by Luiss University. Upon completion of the courses, students shall possess the knowledge needed to continue their studies and the specific skills to pursue managerial positions that could contribute to the economic and social development of the region and of their communities.

The Malta Trust Foundation established a collaborative relationship with Fondazione Terzo Pilastro- Internazionale in 2017. **Enhance- Making Higher Education More Accessible** is one of the educational projects led by The Malta Trust Foundation and this ongoing collaboration with Luiss University was made possible through Progetto Mediterraneo.

Through this ongoing fruitful collaboration between The Malta Trust Foundation and Fondazione Mediterraneo, **1 (one) scholarship** is being made available for the 2022/2023 academic year. This includes Bachelor's degree programmes in Business Administration; Economics and Business; Management and Computer Science; and Politics: Philosophy and Economics which will be offered at Luiss University in Rome. Delivered in the English language, one of these programmes will be open to one Maltese disadvantaged student residing in Malta.

The programme envisages awarding a fully-funded scholarship to the selected candidate, covering tuition fees, teaching materials, travel costs and board and lodging in Rome to cover 3 academic years.

Terms and conditions

The scholarship will be confirmed for the following academic year on the condition that the student, by 31 July of every academic year, has earned at least 70% of the education credits required by his/her first-year study plan. Should the selected student not comply with the above-mentioned requirements, he/she will be responsible for the payment of the remaining tuition fee payments for the second and third academic year i.e. 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 and for living expenses.

To finalize the application candidates must fill out the **application form available** and attach the required documents.

**Application forms must be sent to [info@maltatrustfoundation.org](mailto:info@maltatrustfoundation.org) by 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

The scholarship is open to Maltese disadvantaged students residing in Malta, who:

- have obtained a post-secondary school qualification (final report) achieved not earlier than 2019 or are going to graduate by no later than June 2022;
- have an English level of at least B2 - intermediate;
- Have obtained post- secondary school leaving certificate (final report) with an average grade of B minus in the subjects related to their chosen Bachelor's Degree course among those offered for this scholarship programme

Please note that Progetto Mediterraneo offers student-based scholarships and their nuclear family members will not be covered.

Documents required to submit the application:

- proof of disadvantaged socio-economic status [one's own and/or family's financial statements including if necessary, evidence of other extraordinary expenses, references related to social situation.]
- Identification Document- copy of identity card and/or passport
- A post-secondary school certificate showing the studies completed to date (Copies of certificates obtained)
- certificate of English knowledge (at least B2)- intermediate;
- other optional certification (for example, SAT or ACT).

Multiple applications from the same candidate will not be considered. Application forms lacking the above-mentioned documentation will be considered incomplete and won't be considered for evaluation by the Admission Board.

### **Admission Criteria**

The eligible candidates will be interviewed and assessed by the Admissions Board, made up of the Deputy Rector for Internationalization, 2 members of the Progetto Mediterraneo staff, two members of The Malta Trust Foundation and the Head of the chosen Degree Course, which – at its absolute discretion – will draw up a ranking, taking into account the following criteria:

- academic background (preference will be given to candidates with an average grade of B- in the subjects related to their chosen Bachelor's Degree course (available in this scholarship programme)., consistency of one's previous studies with the chosen Bachelor's degree programme and the post-secondary school grade.);
- the language level;
- SAT/ACT scores (if any).



The Admission Board will reach out to shortlisted candidates, duly assessed and selected by the Admission Board on the basis of the above-mentioned criteria, for online interviews which will be held in English.

The results will be communicated to the selected candidate via email, by 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022.

The deadline for the finalization of enrollment is 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Should a selected student wish to renounce or withdraw from the programme, he/she may present a written formal renouncement/withdrawal before 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022. In these circumstances, the Admission Board will consider shortlisted candidates previously assessed. Confirmation of acceptance from the selected candidate is to be received before 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Admission entails compulsory attendance of the programme as from September 2022. Please note that the offer of admission will refer exclusively to the 2022/2023 academic year and will not be considered as valid for admission in subsequent years, as indicated above, in the stipulated conditions for progression of studies

For any further info please write an email to: [ammissione@luiss.it](mailto:ammissione@luiss.it) keeping in copy [info@maltatrustfoundation.org](mailto:info@maltatrustfoundation.org)

For any information not included in the present Call for Applications, the current University rules concerning admission to Bachelor's Degree courses apply.

The present Call for Applications is regulated under Italian law; for any dispute the competent court is Rome.